



# PENDLE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE

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## Rare Disease Day 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Rare Disease Day is a globally-coordinated movement on rare diseases, working towards equity in social opportunity, healthcare, and access to diagnosis and therapies for people living with a rare disease.

Since its creation in 2008, Rare Disease Day has played a critical part in building an international rare disease community that is multi-disease, global, and diverse— but united in purpose.

Rare Disease Day is observed every year on 28 February (or 29 in leap years)—the rarest day of the year. This year's theme is 'Show your Stripes' because, just like a zebra's stripes, every rare individual's journey and story is unique.

As this year is a leap year, on 29<sup>th</sup> February we are inviting students to come into school in non-uniform wearing their stripes to raise awareness of this cause and to show support to those in our school community who are themselves living with a rare disease.

Yours sincerely,

Debra Grogan  
Headteacher