Every year DMS and local schools join the Berkhamsted Ukulele Festival 'Ukes for Unicef', and this years festival is on Saturday 27th February. It's a great festival where some of our ukulele players from schools perform and there are fantastic workshops to join too. This year the festival is online, and I will be leading a family strum-along. If you would like to join with your family, we have some resources for you to get practising before hand so please follow the link below to grab your music.

- The U4U10 Schools Strumalong Songbook

On the day the family workshop is at 4.00pm, and you will all need a ukulele to join in with us. As you enter the festival there is a few things to note to get the best out of your workshop

- Firstly open zoom on your device and make sure you have the latest version
- Click here to check all your zoom settings are ready the tech about Zoom meetings
- Then open your internet browser and go to www.ukesforunicef.com
- Click on Enter the festival
- Add the passcode U4U111222
- Click on Strum-alongs and go into the breakout room 'Nyree O'Brien'

Ukes for Unicef is a public event and other families from across Dacorum may be there. The organisers will have 1 safeguarding official who will be in the strum-along with us, and we want to make sure you get the best out of your workshop. This means we require an adult to be with any child under 11 in the strum-along and we ask that children use the chat function with an adult present. The chat function is there if you need to ask about the music or how to play a particular chord. The chat box will be answered by Sue Parsons – organiser of Ukes for Unicef.

It's really excited to be involved with this festival again this year, and look forward to continuing this partnership in to 2022 and beyond.