

Dear Parents

## **Parental Giving Scheme**

At The Blue School we take every opportunity we can to enhance the learning experiences that our pupils have. As an outstanding school, we want our students to be engaged and energised by the opportunities that we can give them. Much of this is funded from within the school budget but securing additional funding helps us to enrich children's experiences and improve the learning environment.

One of the ways we do that is by asking parents to support our Blue School Parental Giving Scheme. As a Church of England School, we are committed to contribute £15000 per annum to the London Diocesan Maintenance Fund. Under this scheme, each school contributes to a fund held by the Board and, when the need for repairs or renovations arise, we bid for a project. Improvements to our school would not be possible without the Maintenance Fund contributions. In recent years our Reception classrooms have been refurbished through this scheme and we are now keen to renovate our Computing facilities and Y6 classrooms.

We invite all parents / carers to participate. It is the aim of this scheme to fully meet the cost of our contribution to the London Diocesan Maintenance Fund. Unfortunately, over recent years parental giving has fallen short of the annual subscription cost and this shortfall has to be found from the existing school purse. Please help us raise these funds for the benefit of our children.

## How much?

The suggested level of contribution is £60 per child, per school year. This can be a one-off payment or a standing order commitment. If you are a UK taxpayer, we can also claim 25p per £1 contribution if you complete a Gift Aid form. (Gift Aid Forms are available on the website).

## How to Pay

A standing order of £5 per month (per child) may be a lot more manageable than a single payment. If you select this method of payment, please inform your bank personally as we are unable to create this mandate.

Barclays Bank PLC
Sort Code 20-42-73
Account Name Blue School PGS Account
Account Number 50178373

If you would like to contribute on an ad hoc basis to the Blue School Parental Giving Scheme, you can do so on **ParentPay** at any time.



## **Matched Giving**

Matched Giving is a simple way of maximising funds raised for the school. It applies to both money and time donated. Many companies will help registered charities through a matched giving scheme. Some will match pound for pound, and others may even double match donations made to registered charities by its employees. More information regarding matched giving is also available on the website.

All donations received are in the strictest of confidence and note that this is also a voluntary commitment. If you have any queries, please do contact the School Office.

Thank you for your continued and valuable support.

Wendy Seccombe