



KING HENRY VIII SCHOOL
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Dear parent/guardian,

The Parent Teacher and Community Association (PTCA) and Governing Body (GB) worked really hard last summer to raise funds for the school. This team was small but was a very dedicated group of staff, parents and governors. They were extremely enthusiastic and gave of their time willingly. The total raised was £1,600 and the PTCA and GB will now work with the school to ensure these monies are spent wisely.

At KHS we want to provide the best possible education for your child, however buying those additional extras to enhance their education does not come cheaply. We have listed a number of examples below:

- ✓ A 53-seater coach return trip to Newport for a sporting fixture or cultural events costs £240;
- ✓ Purchase of additional students' lap tops to supplement our current fleet costs £580 per lap top;
- ✓ Notice boards cost £260 each;
- ✓ A new picnic bench and additional benches in the school grounds to increase seating for all students would cost £590 per picnic bench, £450 per bench and £100 to prepare the ground.
- ✓ Hiring of grounds maintenance to complete our internal quadrangle, providing the school with an outdoor classroom and nurture area for our most vulnerable students at break and lunch time would cost £12,000.

The next meeting of the PTCA is Tuesday 15 October at 6pm in the school library and we would encourage people to go along even if you can only help occasionally. We understand that many parents and guardians are unable to give regularly of their time but would wish to assist the PTCA and GB in raising funds or contributing towards a one-off event.

For this academic year we are asking parents and guardians to make a voluntary donation to help with our fundraising. We know a number of parents did this last year and it was greatly appreciated. If every parent of every child made a £5 voluntary donation we would raise nearly £5,000. This money would then be allocated to activities or projects as outlined in the examples above.

On Parent Pay you will find there are two ways of making a voluntary donation.

1. If you only wish to make a voluntary contribution to transports costs for sporting fixtures or cultural visits then use the **"Voluntary Transport Donation 19/20"** button.
2. If you wish to make a general fund voluntary donation that will be used to further improve any aspect of the school please use the **"Voluntary PTCA Donation 19/20"** button.

If you would like to get involved with the PTCA please do not hesitate to contact Sacha Corrado (PTCA Secretary) on 01873 735321 or if you feel you could help us in any other capacity please do not hesitate to contact the school directly on 01873 735300.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Lewis
Headteacher

Mrs S Phillips
Chair of Governors

Mrs S Corrado
PTCA Secretary