



# Frith Manor School

Nurture - Inspire - Challenge



11<sup>th</sup> July 2017

Dear Parents,

I have written a couple of times this year to ask for your help by providing monetary donations to purchase essential school items that will support your child's learning in school. **Thank you if you have donated via Parent Pay (Plugging the Gap fund) or by purchasing essential items from our Amazon wish list or spending money at our PTA events.** In total, your donations via 'Plugging the Gap' over this school year have amounted to £5,000, the PTA added £2,000 and from the school budget we ringfenced £3000.

**A total of £10,000 between 670 pupils (approx. £15.00 per pupil)**

**(£450 per class for the year to purchase essential items)**

**We have used every penny from Plugging the Gap to support your children's learning and this is where the money has been spent:**

## **Nursery and Reception:**

**£2,500** Friendship bench, zinc natural buckets, child's yard brush, posh mud pie bowls, Outdoor Active world units x3 and Bumper metal spoons x4 and many more items to enhance provision both within the indoor classrooms and outdoor spaces.

## **Key Stage 1:**

**£1000** to purchase essential phonics books, guided reading books, phonics games etc.

**£1,500** for all Y1 outdoor equipment to include – crates, balance boards, hula hoops, airflow balls, rubber quoits, dancing rings, outdoor alphabet, weaving numbers, weaving alphabet.

**£1,000** to refurb all three Year 1 classrooms: book areas, comfy seating, books etc.

## **Key Stage 2:**

**£500** Target Maths text books.

**£630** English – No Nonsense Spelling and Grammar text books.

**£500** Assessment booklets.



**£350** for maps, weather station, inflatable globes etc.

### **Art resources for the whole school:**

**£2,000** Water colours, pastels, paint brushes, sugar paper, thin willow charcoal sticks, clay, art roc, Take One Picture, art paper etc.

### **Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2**

#### **Maths:**

**£2500** Numicon base boards, geometric shapes, learning clock, fraction magnets, geometric plane shapes, polyhedron dice, linking cubes, magnetic numbers, plastic counters, pentominoes, dinosaur counters, coins, small shapes, assorted buttons, classroom clock set's.

#### **PE Equipment:**

**£1000** Netballs, bibs, foam dodgeballs, skipping ropes, agility hoops, height adjustable gym vaulting box, speed bounce map and hurdle, medium parachute, balance river stones.

#### **Science:**

**£566** magnifiers, magnets, spheres, solar system (motorised) stopwatch.

#### **Library:**

**£321** – fiction books.

#### **Languages:**

**£300** Linguscope.

**£180** High Five Spanish.

**This vital expenditure totalled £14,847, unfortunately leading to a shortfall of £4,847 which has been carried over as deficit into this year's budget.** Therefore, as we begin the new school year we continue to rely on your continued support to add to our bank of resources and to replace ever needed consumables.

## Going forward into the new school year:

### Our essential list is as follows:

- Thank you for supporting the PTA and spending money at this year's Summer Fair. An amazing **£9,000** was raised and we have asked the PTA to support us in our bid for laptops and tablets for the children to use. We will also be asking them to support our bid for enhancing security around the school.
- We are launching an initiative called 'The Power of Reading,' which in turn will impact significantly on our writing results across the school. We have committed to this programme which will cost **£4,500** to launch and maintain. If you can pledge money via Parent Pay we will see all pupils from Nursery to Y6 developing a lifelong love of writing.
- Art consumables **£2000**
- EYFS resources **£3000**
- KS1 resources **£3000**
- KS2 resources **£6000**

**£18,500** is needed to purchase school resources and consumables.

### How can you pay and make a difference?

**We asked last year for £40 per child. This year we are asking for £50 per child (less if you have more than one child). Any contribution though will be gratefully received.**

You can make payments in many ways: our preference though is through our Parent Pay system. Logon with your user name and password. Look for the tab 'Plugging the Gap' and add the amount as suggested below. If you want to set up a Parent Pay account please contact the office.

The suggested ***voluntary contributions*** are:

- First Child: **£50**
- Second Child: **£40**
- Third Child: **£30**
- Fourth Child: **£20**
- Fifth Child **£10**

**We also accept cash donations, cheques made payable to Frith Manor Primary School and card payments.**

We recognise the school is not alone in feeling the squeeze on finances, but we would greatly appreciate all voluntary contributions, however small. Your financial support will help us to enhance the learning environment for your children and buy the necessary resources to ensure that we can provide the learning experience that your children deserve.

Kind regards,

Leigh Carmichael.

