

Dear Parents & Carers,

24th January 2023

Thank you to all those parents and carers who have made a contribution to the Governors' Maintenance Fund this year; it really is much appreciated and goes towards resources and an improved learning environment for all our children.

To any parents and carers who have not yet made their contribution, we hope the following reminder will explain what your money will be spent on and why it is so needed. Contribution levels are lower than they have been for 20 years and whilst we appreciate the economic challenges many are facing, any contribution that you can make will really make a difference. Whilst government funding aids the school, the Governors are responsible for a considerable part of the cost of providing and maintaining the school buildings and also to cover the cost of any unexpected repair costs and to contribute towards school improvement projects. Recent spend which has directly benefited our children includes:

- new kitchen equipment for the school impacting all those having school dinners,
- resurfacing the school playground at the back of Year 4 and 6,
- contribution towards the new fences at the back of the school improving security,
- the annual contribution towards PGL travel costs for Y6 children and:
- replacing classroom carpets.

An annual voluntary contribution is requested for all children at the school which is £70 for the first child, £40 for the 2nd child and £20 for any subsequent child.

Payment details are below:

1. The easiest way to make your contribution is via Parentpay - <u>ParentPay - Leading Cashless</u> <u>Payment System for Schools</u>

2. Complete your Gift Aid declaration here - Charity Gift Aid Declaration (google.com)

If you would like any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me or any one of the Governors. Additional details are also available on the school website: <u>Governors' Maintenance Fund - Coulsdon C of E Primary School</u>

Many Thanks from the School Governors and the Treasurer of the Governors' Maintenance Fund,

Rebecca Ross.









