

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE FUND

All Saints School, Bishops Avenue, London SW6 6ED

Sept 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The School Maintenance Fund

On behalf of the Governors of All Saints, a warm welcome back is extended to all our new and returning children and families.

All Saints is a Voluntary Aided school and all parents are asked to make an annual voluntary contribution, per pupil, to support the maintenance of the school. This fund is held by the Governors in an account called The School Maintenance Fund and is separate from the main school budget allocated by the Local Authority (LA).

Why do we have the School Maintenance Fund? As a Voluntary Aided School the school receives no funding from the Local Authority towards the maintenance or refurbishment of the school's building. We also have to pay our own Buildings and Liability Insurances. Unlike Local Authority state schools, voluntary aided schools are required to make a contribution to the Annual Maintenance Fund run by the Diocese of London. By making this contribution it means governors can then apply to the Diocese for funding of large capital projects and towards the cost of refurbishment and building works.

This past year has been a very difficult one for us all. Despite this, our parents have continued to donate very kindly to the Maintenance Fund. This year we have invested in a new digital system for signing into the school, ensuring the safeguarding of pupils and peace of mind by knowing who is on-site at any given time. This will be invaluable to us with regard to fire evacuation roll call, health features and visitor management.

Annual Voluntary Contribution per pupil: Each year we ask parents for a voluntary contribution towards the School Maintenance Fund. Whilst the fund is voluntary, the governors cannot stress its importance strongly enough and we thank you for your generosity and investment in the school. For this school year, 2020/21, we are requesting a donation of £70 per pupil. The easiest way to make payment is by bank transfer to:

Account: 16116408 Sort Code: 23-05-80

Alternatively:

- Standing Order: £17.50 each quarter
 - Direct Debit: £6 per month by direct debit (bank details are on the enclosed Gift Aid form)
 - Cheque, payable to 'All Saints CE Primary School' (name of your child on the back of the cheque) or Cash in a marked envelope, Maintenance Fund and the name of your child; to be handed in to the school office.
- Should you decide to pay via direct debit or standing order do please email the school and let us know.

We do ask for a contribution for each child, which will mean filling in a set of forms for each new starter, even if you are already contributing for a sibling. In order that we can recover tax from the Government, please sign the Gift Aid form [Maintenance Fund Gift Aid Form sept 2021.docx](#) as it provides an extra source of income. The amount you pay remains the same.

If you feel unable to contribute the suggested amount of £70 per pupil, you are invited to donate whatever you feel able to. Likewise, if you are willing to give more, please consider doing so. Every donation is important and greatly appreciated.

Mrs Finn, our School Business Manager is available to answer any queries. All contributions are voluntary and totally confidential.

The Governors, staff and children are very grateful for your support.

Yours sincerely,

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TREASURER

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SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER