



Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that the school has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds.

Bag2School are the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 they have now paid out over £28 million. They pay £400 for every tonne they collect.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 1,081,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided. In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

Bag2School accept the following 'good quality items for re-use:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Curtains
- Towels
- Bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

Bag2School do **NOT** accept the following:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Please refer to www.bag2school.com for more details.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from our school at **9am on Wednesday 1st November**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the school office before this date and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

PTA Committee