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Dear parents and carers,

Fundraising through the Bourn School Association (BSA)

As many of you will already know, the BSA is a group of dedicated and creative parents who volunteer their time to raise money for the school. They not only organise events to raise money, but also organise fun events for the children. Your generosity during these fundraising events mean that for many years the BSA has raised in the region of £15,000! This money goes directly towards enhancing the education of pupils in the school.

Sadly, due to Covid and ongoing restrictions, the BSA are forecasting that they will only be able to raise £5000 this year. School budgets too are squeezed more than ever as a result of additional Covid related expenditure.

This letter outlines some of the different ways in which you could help the school. However, we recognise that this is a difficult time for so many people and there really is no pressure or expectation that parents contribute financially - you can give as much or as little as you can.

How you can continue to help

Events

The BSA will continue to run a small number of events which can work in the current climate, so please do keep looking out for further information about how to support these events. The BSA newsletter will keep you up to date with these.

£5 a month

With no cake sales, no Christmas Capers stalls, no disco or social nights – could you put your spare change into a monthly payment to the school instead? Just £5 a month would make a huge difference at this current time! It's quick and easy and once it's set up you can rest assured you are doing a great thing to support your child's education.

Please follow this link to set it up via the BSA JustGiving Page.

- <https://www.justgiving.com/bournschoolassociation>

Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile

Please support local shops where possible but if you can't, please remember to use Easyfundraising and Amazon Smile when you do any online shopping. Over 4,300 shops and sites will donate to Bourn School Association *at no extra cost to you!* See the BSA newsletter for more details.



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Amazon Wish List

Thank you to everyone who has generously bought books for the school via the [Amazon Wish List](#). This is regularly updated so if you would like to buy the school a book, please have a look!

How will your money make a difference this year?

- £800 will significantly enhance the provision of music for all pupils ensuring every child gets an instrument to play in lessons - including drums, glockenspiels and ukuleles!

- £1850 will fund a fun 4 day art project where each child in the school will help to create a huge mosaic to go on the external wall of school for all to enjoy for years to come! This will be a way of symbolising the unity of the school, despite the difficulties we are all experiencing, with all children working on the design and creation and coming together to create a glorious piece of artwork.

- £250 will fund a new chrome book. We will buy as many as we can to ensure that children can work on individual screens, without having to share.

New Playground Equipment Appeal

For some time now the BSA have dreamed of funding new playground equipment for the school and have spent a great deal of time researching grants and schemes that may enable us to do it. Unfortunately due to the pandemic a lot of these are now on hold.

The children now more than ever need an exciting outdoor space where they can climb, problem solve, relax and have fun with their friends! So the BSA are launching an appeal to all parents to please give what you can to enable us to make a start on achieving this dream.

If you would like to make a donation to our playground appeal please follow this link to the BSA JustGiving Page - <https://www.justgiving.com/bournschoolassociation>. No amount is too little or too large!!

Finally...

We recognise that the success of the BSA is due to the tremendous support from parents. We are grateful to anyone who feels they could support us in any way at this difficult time, but please do not feel any pressure to contribute.

The BSA committee are continuing to work hard behind the scenes to find new and imaginative ways of raising money to ensure that the children are able to have the resources we would not be able to buy otherwise. On behalf of the school community I would like to thank all members of the BSA for their time and dedication to this cause.

Yours sincerely,

Laura Latham
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