

Funding of Our Catholic Schools

Our Catholic schools are Voluntary Aided or Academies and most income is derived from public funds. However, in return for the right to promote the Catholic Faith in our schools, 10% of the cost of building works and major repairs in our Voluntary Aided schools and the costs of managing repairs and improvements to all our school buildings must be met by the Diocese.

Why was the Schools Building Fund set up?

The 10% cost of building schools and other major building repairs and improvements used to be met from the regular giving made at Mass by parishioners of the Parish (or Parishes) connected to the school. This was often giving by those who could least afford it.

Today, building works are still needed as we strive to continually improve our schools to provide the best teaching and learning environment for your children. However, Mass attendance has fallen in recent times, and the burden of the 10% cost could no longer be met by Parishes. In response to this the Schools Building Fund was set up by the Diocese in 2000, in order to meet the 10% cost of building works and the development of building programmes in our schools.

How can you help?

All parents with Children attending a school in the Diocese are asked to make a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund. See inside this leaflet for more details.

The suggested contribution is £15 per child (as little as 29p per child per week!) However, you are free to give more or less than this figure – your child will not be treated any differently.

Help Your Child's School

Please give generously for your children's future



My dear Parents,

It is of great importance that the school buildings in the Diocese that children are educated in provide an environment that reflects the teachings of Christ in the Gospels, and I am very grateful to those parents and guardians who support the Schools Building Fund at a time when there are many calls on your generosity.

There is a continual need to repair and improve school buildings to meet the requirements of the many varied educational activities that take place within them so that the very best Catholic education can be provided. With your help, I am confident that this can be achieved. How you can make a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund is described in this leaflet.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely in Christ

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Bishop of Shrewsbury



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SCHOOLS BUILDING FUND

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How you can make your voluntary contribution

The appeal for contributions is made each year. The suggested contribution is £15 per child, but you are free to give more or less than this.

Direct to School

Complete the **Direct Donations to School Form** (Form A) and send this with your cash/cheque contribution in an envelope direct to your child's school. If your child's school allows you to make payments using ParentPay, ParentMail, Tucasi, etc... you may also be able to make your contribution in this way. You can also Gift Aid your contribution using Form B on the opposite page.

Online

Make your voluntary contribution online. Go to: www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/schools-building-fund where you can donate via PayPal.

You will also find Direct Debit and Standing Order forms to download and complete if you wish to make your voluntary contribution using one of these methods. You can also Gift Aid your donation online.

FORM A

DIRECT DONATIONS TO SCHOOL

NAME OF CHILD(REN):

Please find enclosed my voluntary contribution of £ _____ paid by cheque / cash for the purposes of the Diocese of Shrewsbury Schools Building Fund.

Cheques should be made out to the name of your school and this form returned to that school

Remember do not send Direct Donations (Form A) to the Curial Offices – **return it to your Child's School**

Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms (please delete)

First Name(s) _____

Surname _____

School attended by your child(ren) _____

Local Authority _____

FOR OFFICE USE

(to be completed by School)

DATE RECEIVED: _____

BANK ACCOUNT PAYING IN SLIP NO: _____

I confirm that the above sum was received on the date indicated

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FORM B

GIFT AID DECLARATION

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Please complete this form – even if you have done so in previous years

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Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms (please delete)

First Name(s) _____

Surname _____

Home Address _____

Post Code _____

School attended by your child(ren) _____

Local Authority _____

I request that all donations I have made to the above charity since 6 April 2011 and all qualifying gifts of money that I make hereafter shall be treated as Gift Aid donations. I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations in that tax year it is my responsibility to pay any difference.

I intend to make my voluntary contribution by:

cash cheque online (via ParentPay, Tucasi, SchoolMoney, ParentMail, etc.)

direct to school for: £ _____

Signature of Donor _____

Date of signature ____ / ____ / 20 ____

Please send this form to:

Ann Holmes, Finance Office,
Diocese of Shrewsbury, Curial Offices,
2 Park Road South, Prenton CH43 4UX

The information on this Declaration will be used to complete HM Revenue & Customs Returns and to update appropriate internal records, and will be held by the Diocese to provide information for statutory/audit purposes and to communicate with the donor.

Boost the value of your voluntary contribution by 25% with Gift Aid!



If you are a UK Tax Payer, you can take advantage of Gift Aid for your voluntary contribution. See the opposite page for how you can Gift Aid if giving by Direct Debit/Standing Order/Online via PayPal.

If contributing directly to your school, complete the Gift Aid Declaration (Form B). Gift Aid on your contribution will then be reclaimed for the Schools Building Fund.



Thank You!