

Thomson House School Curriculum Enrichment Fund

Dear Parents,

At Thomson House School, we are committed to nurturing a love of learning for all our pupils. We strive to provide academic excellence through an enriched, broad curriculum offer. Our school is outstanding, and our teachers are first-class – but we want to give our children so much more than this.

Having been in the school since September, you are probably aware by now that we have a curriculum enrichment fund into which parents generously donate. This allows us to provide outstanding educational opportunities such as workshops, visitors, theme weeks, drama productions – and many other experiences, which engage and motivate your children to learn. It's what makes Thomson House the special place it is.

Over the last couple of years, Reception classes have experienced:

The Lunar Moon Rocks – whole school (science curriculum, encouraging curiosity)

Globe Players production of Romeo and Juliet – whole school (English curriculum, encouraging oracy)

Learning About Beliefs Theme Week – whole school (RE curriculum; diversity and inclusion)

West End In School Dance Workshops – Lower School (English curriculum, encouraging oracy; physical education)

'This Is Us' theme week – a whole school celebration of diversity and inclusion (enriching children's knowledge of the world; diverse cultures; art curriculum) Globe Players Workshop – Upper School (English curriculum, encouraging oracy; celebrating World Book Day)

GB Athletes In School – Whole School (Physical Education; for motivation and engagement)

Authors visiting - Whole School (English Curriculum; for motivation)

Online Safety Workshop – Whole School (assembly); Year 6 (for PSHE / Computing Curriculum)

Life Long Ago Workshop (Digging for dinosaur bones) – Reception (Humanities curriculum; for curiosity)

Aladdin Pantomime – Lower School (English curriculum, encouraging oracy; story-telling)

Chicks Hatching – Whole School (Science curriculum – life cycles)

We are very aware that some Reception parents are already donating – thank you so much! We also know that there will be some parents who really cannot give in the current economic climate.

However, whilst it won't be possible for all, for many of our families £5 per week (£20 per month) is affordable. We have tried hard never to stipulate how much parents might donate, on the basis that everyone's ability to pay is different. We have always been grateful for 'anything being better than nothing'. But if every parent donated £20 per child on a regular basis, then we could continue to offer the enriched curriculum and more.

If you are able to donate, please set up a standing order via online banking. You will need these details:

Acct Name: WLT – THS Curriculum Enrichment Fund

Sort Code: **30-95-74** Account Number: **64076760**

I do hope that you will understand that it is out of a desire to maintain Thomson House School's special approach to education in the current climate that we are asking parents to donate on a regular basis. If would also kindly allow us to take advantage of Gift Aid, details which are provided by the school office, it allows Thomson House to obtain an additional cash benefit from HMRC. Thank you in advance of your generosity.