## THE PIGGOTT SCHOOL

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## Dear Parents/Carers,

This year has been an unprecedented and challenging one for many people. Here at The Piggott School we have always endeavoured to support others and support our local charities. This year it is even more important than ever, but unfortunately our usual means of fundraising have been curtailed somewhat. Many charities have seen a steep decline in their own fundraising abilities in a time in which they have increased pressure to help the people who really rely on them. We would love to be able to support people in need this year but we need your help to do this.

We would like to ask for an optional donation to be paid in via Scopay so that we can continue to really help those in need. We are suggesting a donation of £10 but this is, of course, optional and we would welcome any donation of any size to distribute to our charities that we work with every year, as well as any others that can really make an impact on the lives of people in this difficult year. If you would like to donate, but would rather pay in cash, then we will have a collection box on Thursday 10th December during AM registration, in the canteen. Scopay is a preferred method, but cash would also be gladly accepted. If you are able to contribute please pay into Scopay by the 10<sup>th</sup> December ideally. Scopay can be accessed by The Piggott School website and clicking on the 'Parents' tab, and choosing the 'online payments/purchasing' option for School Trips or via the Scopay app.

The donation will include non-uniform days, which will still be happening throughout the year. We will not be asking for the usual cash donation for these but we will make a payment to each charity from this scheme. We will also be looking at ways in which fundraising can happen through the year in a Covid-friendly manner. We know our charities would appreciate any help and support in this and we will be feeding back to our students about the donations and how they have helped others. We would love our students to understand how their actions can have a positive impact, and be aware of the personal growth that helping others can bring. I would like to reiterate that we understand that many of our families are experiencing their own difficulties currently and there is no expectation for financial donation if you are unable to.

Your donation will go towards supporting several charities including:

- Launchpad
- Alexander Devine Children's Hospice
- Daisy's Dream
- Children in Need
- Christian Aid
- Cowshed
- RNLI
- Reading Refugees

Yours sincerely, Michelle Bird Assistant Headteacher





