



# ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

November 2019

Dear Parents,

## Parents' Gift Aid Scheme

We are delighted that you have chosen St. Aidan's Church of England High School for your child's education and thank you for your support of the School.

As a Church of England School St. Aidan's enjoys a distinctive status among other secondary schools in the area. You may also know that St. Aidan's is an Academy and as such our Gift Aid Scheme, which has been in place since 1968, continues to be absolutely essential to enable us to pay some of our building and capital costs and to maintain a high quality environment in the school.

Even in a large school like St. Aidan's, funding has never been tighter. We remain hugely ambitious for our school and hence for your child's education. St. Aidan's has gone through massive changes in recent years and much of the school has been rebuilt. This has only been possible because of parental generosity. There is an urgent need for us to replace the temporary classrooms that are long past their useful life and to update, maintain, repair and raise the standard of the rest of the school. Recently the following projects have been undertaken, all supported by the Gift Aid Scheme.

- Replacement of the school's minibus
- Construction of a dedicated Independent Learning Centre
- Refurbishment of pupil toilets in the Language Corridor

The Governors have decided to invite each family to make a regular donation for their son or daughter, subject of course to being able to afford to do so. Annual or monthly donations would be gratefully received. One off donations would also be welcome.

Please be assured that all donations are entirely voluntary and confidential and are not known to anyone other than the Finance administration team and HMRC.

If you are a taxpayer, you can make your contribution to the school more valuable by completing the enclosed Gift Aid Declaration, which will add 25% to the value of your donation at no extra cost to yourself.

The Governors and staff are committed to providing the best possible education for your son or daughter within an outstanding learning environment. We would very much appreciate your help in this task. Whilst we would prefer to receive gifts by banker's order, a donation by cheque will also benefit from the legislation providing you complete the Gift Aid declaration enclosed.

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If you have any queries about this scheme, please contact the Finance Manager ([finance@staidans.co.uk](mailto:finance@staidans.co.uk)) at school. Thanking you in anticipation of your generous support of the work at St. Aidan's.

We would be grateful if you tick one of the options and return the slip overleaf.

Yours sincerely



Christopher Burt  
Executive Headteacher



Jo Wicks  
Chair of Governors

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**Please return to the Finance Office at St. Aidan's as soon as possible.**

Name of student:.....Form:.....

Please find enclosed:

A completed Gift Aid declaration form

A completed Banker's Order for

Amount of donation

£10 / £20 / £50 / other £\_\_\_\_\_

Frequency annually/monthly

*Please circle the frequency and amount you wish to donate. You are of course welcome to specify another amount.*

I am not able to donate at this time

**\*Please tick one of the options so that our records can be updated.**

Please return to:

The Finance Office

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