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Dear Parents and Carers,

One of the defining strengths of our school is the effort and support that parents are always willing to provide. Whether that is through our wonderful PTAs, volunteers coming to help in class, attending events, helping purchase items from our wish list and the support you give you children at home, everything you do to help the school is hugely appreciated and makes a big difference.

The children have benefitted from additional income raised by the PTAs to provide resources that we may not otherwise have been able to purchase. As an example, the Nurture pod is the latest addition at the Junior School which has been possible with the help of our PTA, and at the Infant site a new canopy is due to be installed for Reception in the playground to allow outdoor play in all weathers.

However, funding constraints and increasing costs are adding pressure to the school budget. School funding has been cut year on year in real terms and Buckinghamshire Council have made further cuts this year, by making more services chargeable to schools and removing the ability to claim interim funding to support pupils recently identified as having special needs. The cost of a wide range of essential supplies has also increased. We are actively exploring all ways we can reduce our costs without affecting the quality of your children's education, but the income that we receive is now not enough to cover current expenditure.

We are therefore reaching out to the school community to request financial support. We are trying to avoid extensive cost-cutting measures and to enable the school to continue providing all the experiences and resources we know help our children to learn and thrive.

You can help directly by joining other parents who already make a regular donation to our Charitable Trust Fund. This is run by the Governors and all of its resources are used to support the school. As a suggestion, we would really appreciate a regular monthly donation of £20 per family; more would be gratefully received, and any amount is welcome. To show the impact this would have, if half of our families could pledge £20 per month for one academic year this would total nearly £40,000 across both sites which would make a significant difference. Many thanks if you are already contributing.

Please find attached a standing order form containing our bank details, these can be used to set up a regular standing order for any amount via online banking, or you can complete the form and drop it into the school office. If you prefer to make a one-off donation for any amount, then this would also help. We have added a payment item to Parentmail for one-off donations and you will be able to change the amount that you wish to donate once you are logged in.

We also attach a Gift Aid form which means the school can claim an extra 25% on the amount you donate. Please complete it if you are eligible and drop it into the school office.

CSG Village School is not alone in this position as financial pressures are currently experienced by most schools. Whatever level of contribution you can make will be greatly appreciated and used for the benefit of all our pupils.

Yours sincerely,

Alastair Haywood

