

## St. Chad's Catholic and **Church of England High School**

a Specialist Language College & EAL Centre for Halton

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## Schools' Building Fund

Dear Parent/Carer,

In recent years the buildings and facilities at St Chad's have changed beyond recognition. Unlike state schools, our governors have to contribute to building work. As a Faith school St Chad's has to meet the 10% liability on building and major repair projects that state schools do not have to. Faith schools raise part of these funds by appealing to parents to contribute to the Building Fund collected by the diocese. Our school benefits from money provided by our dioceses which is raised by the Building Fund and partially covers the 10% gap.

The Diocese of Shrewsbury and Chester both support this fund as we are a Joint-Church school. They ask that all parents with children at St Chad's contribute to the fund with a suggested contribution of £15 per family (29p per week). The attached leaflet explains the Building Fund. Although the leaflet is produced by the Catholic Diocese of Shrewsbury it is supported by the Church of England Diocese of Chester.

I am fully aware of the financial pressures all families are under at the moment but the suggested contribution makes a massive difference to St Chad's. For example, last year we have made improvements to the Emmaus Centre and introduced a Student Services facility partially funded through money the diocese raised through the Building Fund and gave to St Chad's. This year we will be making improvements to school's safeguarding using money provided by the dioceses.

There are different ways of paying the contribution detailed in the leaflet. Parents/Carers can pay their contribution via the schools on-line payment facility. Parents who select to make an on-line payment should be aware that a payment of £15 shows on the on-line account. The contribution is voluntary and any amount owing will be removed from the account when the period of collection is over. This includes removing any remaining amount if you contribute less than £15.

If you want to pay by cheque or cash direct to school then please complete Form A, place the money in an envelope and ask your child to pay this at the Student Services before school or at the Sport Reception at break time. Please complete the Gift Aid Form B as this means the diocese can claim tax back from the government as this will go into the Building Fund. Thank you for your continued support.

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Following the Year 7 & 9 Consultation Day letter sent to you on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016. May I remind parents who have not yet obtained their appointments to please do so at your earliest convenience. Years 8 and 10 are in school for PHSE activities. Years 11 and Sixth Form will remain at home to study. Lessons and resources are provided.

ARRANGEMENTS ON PARENT CONSULTATION DAYS							
	Tuesday 8th November 2016	Wednesday 8th February 2017	Thursday 22nd June 2017				
Year 7	CONSULTATION DAY Reading blog at home when not in for appointments	Attend school – (Welcoming a stranger)	Attend school – (Healthy Lifestyles)				
Year 8	Attend school – (Keeping Safe)	Attend school – (Tomorrow's Managers Today)	CONSULTATION DAY Reading blog at home when not in for appointments				
Year 9	CONSULTATION DAY Reading blog at home when not in for appointments	Home Study – Mathematics work to be set	Attend school – (Enterprise Day)				
Year 10	Attend school (Careers Fair/Tomorrow's Managers Today)	Home Study – English work to be set	CONSULTATION DAY Reading blog at home when not in for appointments				
Year 11	Home Study -English work to be set	CONSULTATION DAY-science work to be set	Examinations				
Sixth form	Home Study	CONSULTATION DAY Home Study	Examinations				

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Paziuk Headteacher

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