

27th September 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Reception Year - Contribution to School

In line with the other schools in the Trust we have decided once again to ask for an annual contribution of £10.00 for each child to cover visiting specialists and educational companies to the Academy. This means that parents are not inconvenienced by requests for small amounts of money at least twice a term.

This is where the contribution money was spent last year: History off the Page, Bhangra Dance and Dhol Drumming workshops, extra sports sessions, Forest School, GenR8 assemblies and Zumba sessions. This charge also includes cost of ingredients for cooking and messy play. Due to recent cuts in funding, we would have been asking for small contributions for the above activities. We wish to continue this scheme and to enable us to make further bookings for the year a one-off contribution of £10.00 per child is now due. We are extremely lucky to have so many visitors to the school, which have mostly been subsidised by the Trust. Unfortunately, the amount of money we receive from the government per child is fixed until 2020 and yet our costs are increasing year on year. Without contributions from parents we will be unable to provide some of our existing activities without charging parents for each activity or we may have to cancel future visits.

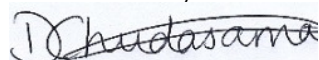
I prefer to have visitors to the Academy as they are a lot cheaper (no coach costs) and the children have a longer day for the chosen activity as there is no travel time. I hope you will continue to support the Academy with the contribution. All children enjoy the visits and activities and I feel they help enhance the curriculum and embed the children's learning.

If you wish to pay in instalments, a payment of £5.00 per child per term for two terms can also be made. Would you please complete the reply slip below and return along with payment. Payment is to be made through Arbor, our online payment system. Alternatively you can pay via cheque, please make cheques payable to Diamond Learning Partnership Trust. You should have received an email this week explaining how to set up an Arbor account for your child. The password is only valid for 96 hours. Please contact the school office if you have not received an email or having problems regarding Arbor.

Please note that the annual contribution does not cover the cost of trips out ie. day trips and residential trips.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Debbie Chudasama
Head Of School

on behalf of Middlefield Primary Academy (part of TDLPT)

To: Mrs Debbie Chudasama, Head of School, Middlefield Primary Academy

*I enclose the £10 yearly contribution **OR**

* I enclose £5 as I wish to pay per term

* I have paid online via Arbor

Child's Name:

Signed:

(*parent/guardian)

*Please delete as appropriate