

Milverton Primary School

September 2008

To Parents and friends of Milverton Primary School

Milverton School Fund

This year, rather than asking you to make voluntary contributions throughout the year for special activities at school, we are inviting you to contribute instead to Milverton's new **School Fund**.

What is the School Fund for?

The School Fund will pay for special activity days and events, such as the recent dance, music, food and science days at school.

It is not intended to cover major trips such as those involving coach travel or swimming.

How will the School Fund benefit our children?

We're sure your children will tell you how much fun these special days are. They enrich the curriculum at our school and provide the children with really memorable learning experiences.

How much money is needed?

The suggested voluntary contribution is £10 per family per term, but you are of course free to give more if you feel able.

The total collected will be shared between the classes in the school. If there is not enough to cover the activities planned the school will have to ask for further voluntary contributions, or restrict the activities.

How do you contribute?

Please send in your contribution for this term by the end of September via your oldest child in the attached envelope (cheques made payable to Milverton Primary School Fund). Thank-you.

If you would like to set up payment for subsequent terms by standing order then please see Mrs Hart in the office.

We are also applying to H M Revenue and Customs for Gift Aid status. If you are a tax payer we would be grateful if you would also complete the attached declaration with your contribution. Doing so, should mean that a £10 contribution is actually worth £12.80 to the school fund.

How will we know how the money is spent?

You will receive details of which events were paid for from the School Fund at the end of each school year. Hopefully you will also get lots of positive feedback from your children!

Are there any other reasons for this change?

The administrative burden of collecting small amounts of money on a regular basis is difficult for parents and school staff alike. We hope this new system will make life easier for us all!

If you have any further questions please contact us.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

Marianne Talbot
Chair of Governors