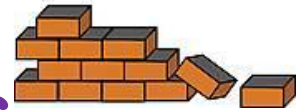


Headteacher: Mrs J P Conley

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Catholic Schools Building Fund (School Levy) 2020



Parental Voluntary Contribution



School Buildings Levy

Dear Parents & Carers

Each year we pay the Archdiocese of Liverpool a contribution towards building costs - this is called the School Levy. The contribution for this year is £10 *per family*.

Almost all schools within the Archdiocese of Liverpool are voluntary aided schools. Being a Voluntary Aided school means flexibility in the way that we operate and control our school but brings with it a need to make a contribution to some of the costs, including those associated with capital investment.

Government provides the money annually for staff salaries, books and equipment for all schools. Catholic school buildings are constructed and repaired predominantly through Government grants but are owned by the Trustees of the Archdiocese of Liverpool.



Under current legislation voluntary aided schools have to find 10% of the costs of all building works over a value of £2,000. In order to help meet these costs the Archdiocese operates the school building fund to which schools contribute.

Parishes and schools contribute equally to the building fund and the school share provides the opportunity for parents of children who benefit from the facilities to contribute on a voluntary basis.

The school share is based upon an annual amount calculated at £10.00 per family whether you have one child or ten children at the school!

Parents are reminded that there is no legal obligation to make any contribution and pupils at any school will not be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have done so.

The levy continues to play a crucial role to maximise the continued investment in our school buildings and, in recent years, has helped to facilitate significant investment in Catholic schools across the Archdiocese through various funding streams and initiatives.

*As we did last year we will collect the Levy just once each year, usually in January/February so *this instalment is due now*. We attach an envelope for your convenience.*

Your voluntary contribution of £10 is much appreciated, it has been, and continues to be, put to good use in our school.