



# Ripon Grammar School

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## School Activities Fund

Dear Parents

I am writing to you to ask you to consider making a regular donation into our **School Activities Fund**. I hope you would agree that one of the great strengths of RGS is not only its outstanding academic performance but also the breadth of co-curricular opportunities we provide. I believe these activities are an essential part of a holistic education and I am proud of what we can provide for our students. We have an impressive list of clubs and societies, sports teams competing both locally and nationally at a high level, a long list of events on our musical and theatrical calendar, as well as opportunities to connect with our local community. For all this to happen we are heavily dependent on the **School Activities Fund**.

Over the course of last year the fund has supported overwhelmingly our transport costs for sports fixtures, referee fees, subsidies of accommodation costs for tours, supported our productions and musical output as well as provided resources for our two speech days and the costs of hosting our Carol and Commemoration services in the cathedral. In short, without the fund we would have to severely curtail many of these activities because we receive no government funding to cover such costs. We are, as ever, extremely grateful to those parents that support the fund in whatever capacity they can. They ensure that our co-curricular output can happen for all our students.

By way of further explanation, it is also important to state that the **School Activities Fund** is completely separate to the fundraising of *The Friends*, whose work contributes so generously to a range of projects in school that are not covered by the **School Activities Fund**. We are also fortunate that at RGS we do not ask for fundraising just to support our normal day to day expenditure on school fabric and equipment.

I do hope therefore that you will consider contributing to the fund in whatever capacity you can. You can set up a regular monthly payment through your bank, although one off donations can also be made through Parent Pay. If you do wish to contribute we would also be extremely grateful if you select the Gift Aid option as this allows us to claim back tax and helps boost the Fund.

We have created an online form for ease of use which can be accessed by clicking [Ctrl +Click] here: [Activity Fund Form](#)

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

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