

Dear Parents and Carers,

Gift Aid scheme

I am writing to advise you about our Gift Aid scheme, which is an initiative aimed at boosting school funds in order to advance the education of all our students, regardless of financial background. Although we are a very successful school, we struggle to financially support the broad and diverse range of extra-curricular activities that we feel are so necessary in your child's development at Dorothy Stringer.

In our strategic plan, we make a commitment to developing the whole young person. We are not just about academic success; we want our students to develop a broad range of skills. We are committed to providing an extra-curriculum programme which is inclusive, encourages participation, and provides enrichment activities for all students. We hope to widen the range of opportunities we offer outside the classroom through links with local clubs, parents, and alumni.

Additionally, the School Fund provides vital support to families facing financial difficulties, helping them to manage the many and varied costs of school life. Your generous donations enable us to continue offering this enriched support and maintain our commitment to inclusivity and excellence for all.

To support our plans, we ask parents who can afford to do so to contribute to the gift aid programme. Your contribution can be any amount; many parents contribute between £5 and £20 a month. If you prefer, you can also make a one-off gift donation. This allows the school to claim tax entitlement on donations so that the actual amount received by the school is even greater. The Dorothy Stringer School fund is a registered charity account, separate and distinct from the School Budget Share. It is subject to independent audit.

A Gift Aid Declaration is available [here](#) and if you would like to help support the school in this way, please complete and return it to Sarah Norris, Finance Manager (sarah.norris@dorothy-stringer.co.uk).

Thank you very much for your support.

Yours faithfully



Sara Bailey
Business Manager