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Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that the school has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise money for The Forest School Fund.

Bag2School are the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 they have now paid out over **£16 million**.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 1,081,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags, soft toys. We will receive **£500 per tonne or £0.50/kg** which will be a great boost for our fundraising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

You can use any bin liner or bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from our school on **THURSDAY 28TH APRIL 2022**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to **RECEPTION AFTER THE EASTER BREAK** and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Yours faithfully

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