Collis Parent School Fund - Frequently Asked Questions

How do I pay?
Please see attached the donations sheet for all payment options and additional information.

When should I donate?
Payments from the Fund will be released by the trustees, in response to formal applications from the School, as required throughout the school year. The earlier donations are received by the Fund, the sooner it will be possible to release such payments.

Can the school claim Gift Aid on my donations?
Yes. This will give the Fund an additional 25p for every pound donated!

Do I have to pay?
No – the Fund is entirely voluntary.

Can I pay less?
Yes. Parents should donate only as much as they would like to. Some parents may not be able to, or wish to, donate at all.

Can I pay more?
We are always very grateful when parents make donations to the School. If some parents feel they would like to pay more, this would certainly be an even greater help.

What will the Fund be used for?
The Fund will be used to pay for a variety of items that are essential for the running of a large and successful school, from classroom and IT resources to facility running costs and capital items. All expenditure will be approved by the Collis Parent School Fund trustees. The Fund will not be used to pay for staff salaries. However, there are many other costs that cannot be avoided.

Does it mean that I don't have to support CSA events?
CSA fundraising will continue as an essential part of the School's fundraising and social programme. We hope that you'll continue to support the CSA.

Isn't Collis a state-funded school?
Yes. However, the state funding is now insufficient to enable us to maintain our current resource levels within budget. This voluntary fund is a way for parents to help support the school financially, but only if they wish to.

Will my child be at a disadvantage if I choose not to contribute?
No.

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