



Dear Parent / Carer

We are pleased to announce that St John and St James' PTA has organised a clothes and shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the school.

[Bag2School](#) is a recycler and fundraiser working with schools who, since its inception in 2001, has now paid out over £32 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for SJSJ, our clothes collection will also help the environment by diverting 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 350,000 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 in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <http://uk.bag2school.com/> for full details). Bag2School pay 30p per kilo for donations and, in addition to raising much needed funds, will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

A donation bag is provided, but you can use any bin-liner sized bag(s). There is no limit to the number of bags you can donate - the more we collect the more money we will raise for the school. Don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

[Bag2School](#) will be collecting from SJSJ on Tuesday 30th November. **Please drop your bag (or bags!) off at the school office by 9am on Tuesday 30th November** and help us have a really good collection. Unfortunately bags dropped off after this time cannot be accepted. Donations will be accepted at the school office from Wednesday 24th November.

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

Yours faithfully
SJSJ PTA