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Dear Parents and Carers

As the summer term commences and the school's end of year accounts have been signed off, The Governors and Friends wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued involvement and enthusiasm for our fundraising and social events. You will undoubtedly be aware, and have seen reports across the media, of the squeeze on school budgets, and the associated challenge to ensure that we are able to provide a holistic, healthy and enjoyable education for all our pupils. Again, thank you for helping us to achieve this during 2017/18.

A fantastic source of fundraising, which we hope to access more in the coming years, is the **match funding scheme**, available to employees through companies across the county. Many companies offer match funding as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme. If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money raised could be matched by your employer. Usually, the employee will need to supply them with a letter from the organisation detailing the date and nature of the event, together with the total raised. We understand that high street banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations (such as Aviva) are likely to do match funding but these schemes are not exclusive to the major corporate giants - if you work for an independent company, they may be interested in charitable giving through match funding too. Family and friends may also be able to support us in this way, so please spread the word!

We would be very grateful if you could make enquiries, if your employer has a match funding scheme or if they are willing to match fund any events? If you can't help out this time, but you know the company you work for has a match funding policy, please let us know. This could be a really large source of income for us and help us to raise money to enhance the education and experiences for all the children at our school.

Exciting events and fundraisers coming up include:

- ☺ 5k Fun Run – May tbc
- ☺ Community Celebration - May
- ☺ Summer BBQ – June
- ☺ Throughout the year we have opportunities for match funding events which we will keep you in touch with too!

If you are able to help in this way, please complete the tear off slip and return to the school office, we can then discuss your company's requirements.

With many thanks for your continued support,

Your School Governors

Possible Match Funding Support

Name:

Company:

Contact details:

