



5<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

### **PTA Bag2School Collection – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Swanland School PTA has organised another textile collection with [Bag2School](#) in order to raise funds for the school.

[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 £15 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 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 in the bag provided – this can include adult's and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, bags, soft toys, curtains and bedding (not duvets or pillows). **However, please hold on to any unwanted items of uniform as we regularly hold Nearly-New Uniform Sales at the Parents' Evenings and these will be gratefully received for use at a later date.**

[As blue bags cannot be given out to children this time, please use bin liners.](#)

If you fill the bag and still have more, you can use any other bag to donate your items – and please do not forget to ask grandparents, friends, and neighbours to have a sort out as well! We will receive **£400 per tonne or £0.40/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.

[Bag2School](#) will be collecting from our school on **FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023**.

Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the **Small Hall door** (located in the school staff car park) first thing **on the morning of 20<sup>th</sup> October** and help us have a really good collection. Note, the car park barrier will be left up, but please do not drive through the car park to drop off your bag. Please be alert as vehicles may enter the car park.

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity and your continued support of the PTA.

Yours sincerely

*Swanland School PTA*