

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL,  
MAIDA VALE

THE  
LIVE LIFE TO  
THE FULL FUND





# FROM THE HEAD

I am delighted to introduce you to the *Live Life to the Full* Fund. In recent years, St Joseph's has had overwhelming financial support from across the parent community and this has helped shape St Joseph's into the school it is today. To take us forward, we are launching the *Live Life to the Full* Fund, which in time will replace the Governors' Fund. It will centralise fundraising for the school, with funds being reinvested into St Joseph's. Thank you to those who have donated to the Governors' Fund.

We cannot thank the community enough for the support that they have given to the school. With this new Fund, donating to St Joseph's through the Gift Aid scheme means that the school can claim an additional **25% on top of your donation**, at no extra cost to you. Higher and additional rate taxpayers also can benefit from income tax relief when donating through Gift Aid.

This Fund will work alongside the wonderful work that the St Joseph's School Association carry out for our school, and we are so lucky to have such a supportive parent community who so generously support the school by hosting fundraising events such as the annual Read-a-thon and the renowned school auction. In addition, we are lucky to have staff at the school who enthusiastically get behind fundraising activities however they can.

We value all of our community and the work they do to support the school, and we ask all families to support the Fund at whatever level they can. We know that if we work together as a community, we can do the very best for our pupils.

**Dr N Fernandes-Viana**





# FUNDING CHALLENGES

London state schools are receiving less funding per pupil each year, and are therefore being asked to do more with fewer funds. As a result, our school has had to adapt and be more agile. Grants that schools can receive are also subject to cuts, meaning we have had to find more money ourselves from smaller pots.

Over the same time, costs for the school have risen. This includes running costs such as heating and electricity which need to be self-funded. We also want to continue providing pupils with a first-class Catholic education, with a wider curriculum, further enrichment opportunities, and the best resources possible.

Lots of our families love that St Joseph's has a strong community feel. The Fund pays homage to this key element of what makes our school so special, whilst highlighting that our whole community must come together for the benefit of our young people. Through the fund, we encourage all families to consider a gift to the school at a level that suits them and their families, for the benefit of all the pupils. The Fund will be used to support the school's priorities and reinvested where it is needed most.

Thank you for considering this request.





# MAKING A GIFT THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU

We are a school that aims to support the community, but we also rely on our community for support. The focus of the Fund is on a collective effort with everyone considering how they can play a role in the success of the fund and supporting all pupils at our school.

Please consider making a gift at a level that is right for you and your family, taking your existing commitments into account. Your gifts, alongside those of other parents and members of our community, will enable us to support pupils at our school as much as possible, both now and in the future.

Consider a Monthly Gift	Your Pledge Annually	Over Five Years
£100	£1,200	£6,000
£75	£900	£4,500
£50	£600	£3,000
£25	£300	£1,500
£10	£120	£600

If there is any other way that you can support the school, you can talk to our Development Director, Carly Beake. The above grid is for guidance, as a Catholic school, we appreciate any donations at any level that works best for individual families.

