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Dear Parent / Carer,

Headteacher: Mr S Haigh BSc

Can you help us to make sure our new school is the best it can be for your children?

We have a wonderfully exciting year ahead as our new building takes shape and we look forward to moving in at the end of the year. Students and staff have done an amazing job of overcoming the inadequacies of our current buildings, but more modern dynamic facilities will allow us to provide a greater range of opportunities. We will of course give a nostalgic nod to our old buildings as we look back on our way to the bright future.

Although the fabric of the building is provided by the Government's Priority School Building Programme, most of the interiors, furnishings, specialist equipment, technology and resources must be provided by School. Some resources will move across, but we will need so much more. We have undertaken a comprehensive review and to make our new school building the facility we all want it to be we will need £500,000. As a school we have already carefully saved £250,000 so we only need another quarter of a million. It is a lot of money, but with the support of large and small corporate sponsors and the active support of parents and students we will get there.

The extremely hardworking, bright, enthusiastic, community spirited students of Whickham School have an impressive track record of successful and impassioned fundraising for many deserving charities. Over the years their efforts have raised hundreds of thousands of pounds for good causes with overwhelming support from friends, family and our wider community. This year we hope that we will receive similar support for the charity which is your school (Whickham School- Charity No. 07729766). All funds donated to Whickham School will provide equipment and resources for use by our students in the new building. We will make it very clear what the funds are being used for and allow donations to be directed for particular aspects of the building.

There are many ways in which you can help us reach our target, through cash gifts (we are registered for gift aid through just giving), or perhaps if you have the time, why not take part in or organise your own event, a fun way to raise money with family and friends. If you think your employer may be interested in giving or sponsoring then we would like to hear from you so we can make the appropriate approaches with your support.

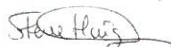
If you have any queries or would like to discuss fundraising for Whickham School Charity further please contact, Debbie Ross on 0191 4960026 (ext 308) in the first instance.

Our just giving page is www.justgiving.com/whickhamschool-sportscollege

More information about supporting Whickham School is available on our Website www.whickhamschool.org/supporting-whickham-school/

Thank you for your support in ensuring that we are all being the best we can be. Together we will make this vision a reality

Yours sincerely



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