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Dear parent/carers,

Did you know that many companies throughout the UK offer employees the chance to boost their fundraising efforts by 'matching' the money they raise? Matched funding has the ability to increase the takings of school events many times over.

An increasing number of large companies operate a match funding scheme whereby they "match" charity fundraising undertaken by their employees. These organisations set aside millions of pounds to fund such schemes and are more than happy to support their staff in raising money for charities of their choice. The amounts donated range from approximately £250 to £1000+ per employee per event.

As the Parents' Association is a registered charity we are in a position to benefit from your involvement, however big or small, at any fundraising school event. Your participation might be, for example, managing a stall or helping with the raffle. Both qualify as assisting with fundraising.

Generally speaking, banks and building societies, insurance companies, supermarkets, utilities providers, phone companies and car manufacturers are known to offer match-funding schemes. However, your work place may too offer match funding. In order to boost our fundraising to enable projects for the children of Newchurch, could we ask you to check with your employers whether a scheme is already in place or if they would be willing to set one up.

Companies that we know operate match-funding schemes include:

- Aviva
- Barclays Bank
- BP
- British Telecom
- British Gas
- Camelot
- Costcutter
- Co-op
- Ernst and Young
- Experian
- HSBC
- JP Morgan
- Legal and General
- Lloyds TSB / HBOS
- Microsoft
- Northern Rock
- O2
- RBS Group
- Shell

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- nPower
- Santander
- Sky
- Tesco
- Texaco
- Unilever
- Yorkshire Bank
- Whitbread

If your employer offers a match funding scheme, please contact the school office via email: newchurch_primary@warrington.gov.uk so that we can pass it onto the PTA to see how to comply with their requirements.

Just imagine the things we could do to support our children's learning and resources if we were to have the opportunity to match our PTA events with match funding!

Many thanks in anticipation of your continued and valued support.

Kindest regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jayne Narraway', written in black ink.

Jayne Narraway

Headteacher