



Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that Newton Poppleford Primary School PTFA has organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for our school!

As well as raising vitally needed funds for the PTFA it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent 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 350,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year. In addition to raising much needed funds this scheme will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

By getting involved in our Bag2School collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles. We are not giving out bags this time to reduce plastic useage/wastage, but you can use any bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

It's tough to arrange Covid safe fundraising for 2020, but this one means you're helping the planet, clearing out your clutter, raising money for the PTFA, AND it won't cost you a penny! That's so many wins I've lost count!

The following 'good quality' items are accepted:

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towelsHousehold bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)

These items are **NOT** accepted:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

Bag2School will be collecting from the school playground on **Wednesday 25th November**. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the playground **by 9am** and help us have a really good collection.

We will be collecting bags in the gazebo by the bike shed from Monday 23rd November.

***Please do not bring bags in to school before w/c 23rd November due to storage restrictions ***

Thank you for your continued support,

Newton Poppleford Primary School PTFA