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Westcliff High School for Boys UNLOCK YOUR POTENTIAL





Please help us make a difference

You can assist your child, and others, by supporting a wide range of extra-curricular, and enrichment activities, through the WHSB Pupil Fund.





Sport

Drama & Music



Clubs . . .

Why do we need your support now?

Government funding for Schools has been reducing in real terms across a number of years, making it increasingly necessary for schools to seek alternative sources of income.

Careful financial management has allowed us to offer:

- A broad curriculum for our pupils. This is vital for a school such as WHSB and it must be maintained. At a time when many schools are having to narrow their academic offer to reduce costs, we need your help.
- A wide range of sporting, cultural & extra-curricular activities. This is fundamental to our provision if pupils are to reach their full potential.

Whilst the economic environment presents challenges, this is an offer the School community must work together to maintain.

These challenges aside, the COVID-19 pandemic has also had an enormous impact upon the lives of young people, in particular their opportunity to engage in social and cultural pursuits during periods of lockdown and restrictions.

Mental health and wellbeing have been widely affected and maintaining our broad curriculum and providing a rich programme of social, cultural and sporting extra-curricular activities has never been more important.

Our pupils deserve all that we are able to provide through our School community at this time and your support can make that happen.

I benefited hugely from my education at WHSB. I have great affection for the School, and am delighted that I am able to give something back through the Pupil Fund.

Former Student

How can you help?

By making a donation of £20 or £10 per month, you will directly assist the School in supporting these crucial activities.

Regular donations make a real difference to the range of opportunities we can offer, giving pupils access to experiences they would otherwise have missed.

Your donation will help to provide:

- Engineering and computing equipment
- Musical equipment and facilities
- Drama equipment and productions
- Classroom and laboratory equipment
- Sports and games equipment
- Access to wellbeing resources

For example:

- £120 would cover the cost of technical support for a drama production.
- £150 would buy 20–30 books for the Library
- £240 would cover coach transport to an away sporting fixture, or a theatre visit.
- £240 would pay for eight one-to-one, 1-hour counselling sessions
- £500 would provide kit for a full rugby team







"Through the Pupil Fund, I've had the opportunity to take part in the National Athletics Finals at Gateshead International Stadium – it was a fantastic experience"

Year 9 Student

Please offer your support by completing the **Pupil Fund Standing Order** form <u>www.whsb.essex.sch.uk/finance</u> and returning it to the School Office, for the attention of Mrs N Darby, School Bursar, or return it directly to your bank. Alternatively, you may set up a recurring payment instruction with your bank, via online banking.

We request that if you are a UK taxpayer, you complete the **Gift Aid Declaration**. This significantly boosts the donation, at no additional cost to you.

We would also be pleased to accept any contributions by cash, cheque or bank transfer directly, preferably accompanied by the *Gift Aid Declaration* (if applicable) and available at: <u>www.whsb.essex.sch.uk/finance</u>

We understand that some parents, alumni or other supporters may wish to donate a sum for a specific activity or award. Should you wish to specify the area in which your donation should be used please do not hesitate to contact Mr S Rothon, Director of Finance & Accounting, or myself through Mrs Holley, my Personal Assistant, to arrange a meeting or conversation to discuss your donation.

Thank you for your support.

Michael A Skelly Headmaster

> "As an Old Westcliffian, and a parent who has had the pleasure of watching our sons benefit hugely from WHSB, I consider it important to continue to support the School's growing success through a monthly donation"

Old Westcliffian & Parent







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