

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will hopefully be aware of the fantastic work that the Friends of Excalibur are doing to raise funds for the school. We wanted to take this opportunity to highlight employer match funding schemes and how a little bit of your time could potentially double the funds for the children. If you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money you raise could be matched by your employer. Companies may match the fundraising total for an event, or for the stall that their employee is working on. Usually, the employee will need to supply them with a letter from the Friends detailing the date and nature of the event, together with the total raised. High street banks, building societies, supermarkets and large corporations are likely to do match funding, but these schemes are not exclusive to the major corporate giants. If you work for an independent company, they may be interested in charitable giving through match funding too.

Some of the companies who run match funding schemes are as follows: Barclays, Halifax, Vodafone, M&S, Tesco. Some companies will also pledge time and resources instead of money, so enabling their employees to support a cause during their working week, for example, building or ground clearing for our outdoor stage etc.

We would be hugely grateful if you could find out if your employer operates a match funding scheme, or if they are willing to match fund any of our events. If you can't help out this time, but you know the company you work for has a match funding policy, please let us know. This will be very beneficial for Friends of Excalibur and help us raise money for all our fundraising targets during the year.

If you are able to help, please contact Gail Whittingham on 07944409892

Thank you for your support.

Gail

Chair of Friends of Excalibur