



Arbory School

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Arbory School Urgent Minibus Appeal - Can you help?

Dear parents, grandparents, carers and friends

As you may know from previous school newsletters, our minibus is now old, in an increasingly poor state of repair and on more than one occasion has actually broken down whilst transporting our children. This has left the school with a number of costly repair bills in recent months and has made the job of replacing it even more of a priority.

The Arbory minibus has a vital role to play in the education our pupils receive and is used on a regular basis in order to take children out on school trips. These include participating in cultural and sporting events or visiting places of interest to complement what they are studying in class.

A new minibus would cost in the region of £25,000 but the alternative option would be to try to source a relatively new secondhand minibus (3 years old). So far and taking into account the various fund raising events that have been held to date we will need to raise around £6,000 to buy a second hand minibus.

So, whether we are aiming to buy a second hand minibus or dreaming of purchasing a new one, we need to raise some serious funds and quickly and this is where we desperately need your help and support.

Firstly we would like to make a direct appeal for donations towards our minibus appeal.

Any donation would be welcomed from any individual, family or corporate entity - they will all contribute to our target and will genuinely be very much appreciated.

If you are able to make a donation, or you know of any friends or family who

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may wish to, cash or cheques payable to Arbory School can be sent direct to the school marked 'minibus appeal'.

Secondly, do you know of or work for an organisation who might want to support our appeal or who may run a scheme which offers grants for community causes?

If you do, could you please contact either the school or Anita Parnell (Parent Governor) with the relevant details.

Anita has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the appeal and can be contacted via email anitap@manx.net or mobile 07624 491726 and she will follow up on any details you provide.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and please help us to raise the money we need to replace our minibus so that school trips remain as a vital part of our curriculum.

Yours sincerely



Mr JH Ayres / Mrs A Parnell
Headteacher Parent Governor

on behalf of the children, staff and governors of Arbory School.