

## St Catherine's RC Primary School, Didsbury Parent Teacher Association

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Re: MATCH FUNDING

You will hopefully be aware of the fantastic work that the PTA are doing to raise funds for the renovation of the school playground. 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 PTA. 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 PTA 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, Thames Water, Tesco, Southern Electric. Some companies will also pledge time and resources instead of money, so enabling their employees to support a cause during their working week.

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 the PTA and help us raise the money needed for the playground.

If you are able to help, please contact Trish on 07786432082 or email us at <u>stcather-inesdidsburypta@gmail.com</u>

Thank you for your support.

The PTA