

## Parent Council Update.

Fundraising is going to be more challenging this year, but not impossible! We are being a bit more creative, and the first parent council fundraising venture this year is the IMS October Challenge, taking part next week. We'd love as many families as possible to get involved, and help us raise some money for outdoor learning resources.

So, what is involved?

Each pupil or family who decide to take part can set their own challenge, and ask family and friends to sponsor them/donate to complete it! It can be anything. Tailor it to what your family/child enjoys doing. It can be done by the whole family, IMS pupil, a sibling. Whatever works for your family.

We've popped some ideas below, but feel free to get creative and come up with your own challenge!

- A walk/cycle/scoot/wheel - a set distance over a day or over the week.
- Reading challenge
- Learn the BSL alphabet and post a video for your family and friends
- Photography challenge - how many different types of birds/insects/flowers can you snap in an hour/day?
- Lego challenge
- Beat the Street (a target of a set number of points over the week) - some of us are doing this already with other schools!
- For those with complex communication needs families could model 10 things per day over the 10 days of the holidays.

We have set up a Just Giving Crowdfunding page to make it easy for folk to donate. Link is below:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/isobelmair-parentcouncil?fbclid=IwAR2ok0dTzxX69gP6AK9VOVepdnF91Xy9YUIUgxxg0qqjzldB1n8ErHqHhUs>

We have taken a number of steps to try and support parent to parent/parent council communication. These include a private Facebook page for parents and Carers, a parent council twitter, and class WhatsApp groups.

- Link to Parent/Carer Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/297707717983181/?ref=share>

- Find us on twitter @isobel\_mair

- We have managed to help set up parent WhatsApp groups for a number of classes. These have been great to allow parent to parent communication. If you are not already part of a class parent WhatsApp Group and would like to be, or would like to set one up for your class please email the a Parent Council on [isobelmairpc@gmail.com](mailto:isobelmairpc@gmail.com). You can also use this email address to contact the parent council for anything else.