



PRESDALES SCHOOL

Achievement for all

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Dear Parent/Carer/Student

Sister Act

A reminder that tickets are on sale for our school musical. Friday evening is almost sold out, but there is still availability for Wednesday and Thursday evening. Please come and support, even if your child is not in the show.

Walter Wallinger's Charity - Grants available

Walter Wallinger died in 1709, leaving 'four hundred pounds for the placing of poor children of this Parish as Apprentices'. The trustees of the charity now take the view that the income from this endowment should be given for educational purposes to people under 25 who have, for at least two years, lived or been educated within 'the ancient parish of Hertingfordbury', which today roughly means Hertingfordbury village and the five Greens and outlying houses or children who attended Hertingfordbury Cowper Primary School or St Joseph's School for at least two years.

Each year, there is around £1500 available, with typical grants being in the region of £300. Grants are given for something that will help the applicant's education in a broad sense, e.g. musical instruments, instrumental lessons, specialist equipment, courses, laptops, etc. The grant is available to anyone in a school, FE college or Higher Education.

Application forms can be obtained from Robin Bishop, the Chair of the Walter Wallinger's Charity, at robinbishop@gmail.com

Bicycle Donation

We have received an email of thanks from the organisers of the bicycle donation I advertised last week. They were overwhelmed by the response from the local community as over 150 cycles were donated.

Parking

A reminder for parents to park respectfully of our local community when dropping off and picking up your children. We are receiving complaints of driveways being blocked.

Communication

I politely remind parents that it is not appropriate to turn up at school unannounced, or telephone the school demanding to speak to a teacher. It is likely that staff are teaching classes and therefore they will not be leaving them to speak to a parent. Please leave a message or send an email and we will respond within 48 hours or sooner if it is an emergency. If it is a safeguarding issue, then we will always act immediately. Thank you for your support in this matter.

I wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Regards

Mr M Warren
Headteacher