



The Hollins Technology College

A High Performing Specialist School

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Dear Parents/Carers



As many of you may know despite being a highly successful school, the Hollins is the only school in Lancashire that does not have a Sports Hall or extensive gymnasium. We have made repeated requests to the Local Authority for funding for a new sports facility but now, in these times of austerity, there is even less chance of capital funding for such a project.



As a consequence, we have decided to start fund-raising with the aim of building our own sports hall. We will continue to explore all avenues in terms of grants from public and private bodies but we feel we need to show our intent by starting in-house. We do not want to ask our parents for money in these difficult times and have explored other methods of fund-raising. We think that we have come up with a method of raising money which will enable everyone to contribute.



In January and again in June 2012, we will be organising a collection of unwanted adult's and children's clothing, bedding, paired shoes (tied together), curtains, soft toys, belts and handbags (NO BRIC-A-BRAC PLEASE) that can be bagged and brought into school. A company called Bag2TheFuture will collect the unwanted items and recycle them across the world where they are needed. They will pay us 50p per kilo for these goods and I am writing to you today to ask that you keep any unwanted items, pre and post Christmas, for our collection in January. All students will be informed of this project and the reasons behind it and will be provided with bags, listing acceptable goods, to bring in their donations.



I will write to you again when the collection is imminent to give the final details but in the meantime I ask that you keep any goods that you will be willing to donate until after Christmas. We intend to use this as a starting point for our fund-raising and I would be grateful for your support.



Yours faithfully

Steve Campbell
Headteacher

