



## NEWS FROM THE FEDERATION CHARITY FUND – SUMMER 2019

I am writing to update you on **some good news** from the Federation Charity Fund and to let you know of some things you can do to help raise funds without costing YOU any money or extra time!

### **PLAY SPACES AT QEII JUBILEE SCHOOL**

Thanks to a recent very generous parental donation and some positive results from our applications we will be able to fund the three playspaces at QEII. Work should begin over the Summer holiday and they should be in use from the start of next term. When finished three new themed areas will be created for use by pupils at QEII and across the Federation.

Our next fundraising focus will be towards improvements at College Park School – watch this space!

### **APPLICATIONS CONTINUING**

We have spent the last few months exploring, identifying and approaching well over 200 charities, organisations and companies for funding. Each one has a different criteria and may require information being presented in a particular way so this has been a time consuming and somewhat complex process with individually prepared bids – not just a mailshot! Some of these applications are now starting to come through with funding.

We have received donations so far from Parents, Bayswater Residents Association, Blakemore Foundation, Boshier Hinton, Marks & Spencer, MCC, Next, Portman Foundation, Sainsburys and Waitrose

### **What can YOU do to help (at no cost to you!!).**

#### [Amazon](#)

We have registered the Charity Fund with Amazon and their SmileAmazon charity organisation. This gives the Charity Fund 0.5% of the net purchase price (i.e excluding VAT and any postage).

#### *How to sign up*

- 1) If you are a regular Amazon customer at present you will frequently see a “pop up” alerting you to the SmileAmazon option.
- 2) “Accept” this and it will ask you to choose a charity (you only need to do this once – it remembers) you will find **Federation of Westminster Special Schools Charity Fund** in the drop down listing and select this
- 3) If you do not get the “pop up” just google SmileAmazon.co.uk and it will take you into your account with the charity options above. It will remain and as long as you log in as SmileAmazon.co.uk. There will be a link on the charity Facebook page (see below).

**We have just received our first donation from Amazon so keep it up!**

## [Give As You Live](#)

We have registered the Charity Fund with [www.giveasyoulive.com](http://www.giveasyoulive.com). This organisation maintains a listing of over 4000 shops etc which give varying amounts of money (either fixed amounts or % of purchase cost) to the Charity Fund for goods bought **on line only** via their site.

If, for example, you have supermarket goods delivered, these would be eligible if the particular supermarket participates (Asda, Iceland, Morrisons, Tesco and Waitrose appear to). Can also be used for Pizza deliveries too!

Generally larger amounts are donated by some of the more specialist shops but it is worth browsing the website. Some of the offers are ongoing but some are only "one offs". For the Charity Fund to benefit you need to go on to the Give As You Live website and search for the logo for company you wish to buy from. The site has a store name search facility. This will then take you to that company's website.

**Both the above will only raise small amounts for the Charity Fund each time they are used but if you spread the word to other family members and friends these sites will keep giving more.**

## *Keep up to date*

**Visit the Federation Website - Charity Fund Page at**

[www.qe2cp.westminster.sch.uk](http://www.qe2cp.westminster.sch.uk)

**Visit our Facebook page at**

[Federation of Westminster Special Schools Charity Fund](#)

**If this update has inspired you to donate please do not be shy – here is how you do it -**

**Donations can be made in two ways**

By bank transfer to sort code 40 52 40 Account number 00032025. (Please put in a reference to identify your donation)

By cheque made payable to FWSS Charity Fund and sent to the address below

**Federation of Westminster Special Schools Charity Fund**

**C/o College Park School, Garway Road, London, W2 4PH**

**Email: [charity@qe2cp.westminster.sch.uk](mailto:charity@qe2cp.westminster.sch.uk)**

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