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Dear parent/carers,

At Struthers we are very aware that many families within our community may be finding the daily costs of living challenging at the moment. Uniforms, packed lunches, trips, dress down days and other school activities can quickly add up and place additional financial strain on our families. We have therefore consulted with a parent focus group and together we have discussed simple and practical measures that will reduce financial stress on our families from August 2023.

These measures include significantly reducing the number of times per year where pupils are required to provide donations for events and activities and also removing the purchase of fundraising merchandise. We will also be providing families with a clear outline of any monetary events well in advance. Class trip costs and dates will also be planned in advance by staff and this will be communicated with parents at the start of the academic year. Where payments for trips and any charitable donations are being made, we will encourage our families to utilise our online ParentPay system.

For the remainder of the current academic year, staff will ensure all outings take place in term 4, giving our families as much financial notice as possible.

We sincerely hope that you find these new measures helpful and that they alleviate some financial pressure throughout the school year. Where any family is finding things difficult, we encourage you to speak with a member of the Senior Leadership Team – any exchanges will be kept in complete confidence.

Should you require any further information at this stage, or if you would like to have a more in-depth chat about this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Sincerely,
Mrs Grant

Acting Principal Teacher