

Dear Parents and Carers,

3rd September 2026

Schools Building Fund 2026-2027

As a Catholic school within the Diocese of Shrewsbury, we are inviting families to consider making a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund (SBF).

The Schools Building Fund helps to maintain, repair and improve St Patrick's Catholic Primary School ensuring that our children continue to learn in safe, welcoming and high-quality environments. The Diocese remains responsible for meeting 10% of certain costs associated with school building projects and ongoing improvements, and the Schools Building Fund provides vital support towards these costs.

Please take a moment to read the message from **Bishop Mark** below:

My dear Parents,

It is important that our school buildings provide the best possible environment for the children and young people of the Diocese. I am very grateful to those parents and guardians who support the Schools Building Fund, at a time when there are many calls on your generosity and the pressures of a financial crisis.

There is a continual need to repair and improve school buildings to meet the requirements of the many varied educational activities that take place within them so that the very best Catholic education can be provided.

With your help, I am confident that this can be achieved.

How you can make a voluntary contribution to the Schools Building Fund is described in this leaflet.

With every good wish, Yours sincerely in Christ

The Diocese suggests a voluntary contribution of **£5 per child per year**, which equates to less than 13p per week. Families are free to contribute more than the suggested amount, and a family's decision whether or not to contribute will have no impact whatsoever on their child.

Your support helps ensure that Catholic schools across the Diocese can continue to provide the best possible learning environment for current and future generations of children.

Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Academy Trust

*We work,
we love, we learn,
we pray,
we spread the
Gospel message
everyday.*

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To donate to the Schools Building Fund please use **ARBOR**. All contributions are recorded confidentially.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and the wider mission of Catholic education within the Diocese of Shrewsbury.

Yours sincerely,

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