



CURRENT FUNDRAISING NEEDS & INITIATIVES:

Fundraising needs:

Current funding needs identified by SNS are:

PE equipment:

Funding sports day is becoming increasingly difficult as spend a significant amount of the PE budget on hiring Finsbury Park track. We are in desperate need to renew much of our sports equipment which we cannot afford such as rackets and table tennis tables.

A stage set:

We would like to buy a modular stage set – for Drama and Music lessons, school shows, open evenings, assemblies and celebrations (benefits for the whole school).

Starting with a basic set (which can be added to) £2,370 (inc VAT).

The School Musical (and other performance events):

The school musical is an annual event in which over 150 students from every year group contribute to the final performance. Whether actors, musicians, designers or technicians. This is a HUGE undertaking for all involved and it costs A LOT of money to put on (acquiring the rights alone for 'We Will Rock You' cost around £1,500). If we could have a pot for donations to support the musical and other school performances, this would be amazing and allow us to continue to put on our famous productions. We are also open to sponsorships – if parents work for local business – we would love to include promotions or advertising in the programme, interval etc in return for sponsors.

Drama trips:

As part of GCSE Drama we are obliged to take students to see Live Theatre as a requirement of their written exam. The average price of a single theatre ticket in London is £30.55, even with school discount (which not all venues offer) we are looking at £15-£20 per student. With 49 students in Year 11 alone that equates to £980 for one theatre trip (49x£20). This is just under a third of our entire annual budget (Annual Drama budget is £3500 – Drama is taught to every year group 7-13)

As it is a requirement of the exam, we cannot oblige parents to pay for this cost. If we could have a 'pay it forward' style system whereby parents can contribute towards an additional ticket we could help take more students to theatre across all year groups.

School trips

The school organises various sorts of trips, some for all the kids in a year group, others for specific subjects. The costs vary, but the common theme is that we don't want any kids to miss out because of ability to pay – and we certainly don't want the teachers to have to foot the bill from their own pockets.

History

Year 13: Dublin trip - about £375-400 (3 days to support with Irish History module)

Year 11: Day trip to Belgium - about £120, with 80 places, with focus on helping PPI students attend as it makes a big difference to studies on WW1

Geography

Yr12 Swanage (Compulsory): £220

KS5 International Trip (optional): Approx £700 last time we ran it.

KS4 Walton on the Naze (compulsory): £18

They would like to run a KS4 residential. The cost of this would likely be around £170

Languages

Wordwall subscription (Fun engaging activities for language learning): £400 annual subscription.

Theatre companies (French and Spanish plays in the school theatre): £300.

Maths

High Value: £500 - Puzzle Challenge Rewards Day - Happy Puzzle Company

A rewards day for 100 pupils delivered in school by the Happy Puzzle Company

Mid Value: £75 - a graphic calculator to loan to a KS5 pupil

A graphic calculator greatly improves performance at A level Maths - to help pupils who cannot afford one we would like some to loan out for the duration of the course

Low Value: £16 - a pack of 10 entries to UKMT Maths Challenge (Junior/Intermediate/Senior)
High prior attaining pupils with a head and heart for Maths are selected each year from Y7-Y13 to take part in the UKMT Maths Challenge and this contribution covers 10 entries

Design and Technology

Laser Cutter £15,000

Textiles:

New Bernina Sewing Machines £800 each

Graphics:

iPads x 10 £300 each

Product Design:

Desktop Computers x 3 £1500

Pillar Drill x 2 £250 each

Hospitality and catering:

Class set of laptops 25 x £200

Visiting Speakers:

We need speakers who work on a range of themes such as revision skills, anti-bullying, mental health, careers. They can cost about £1,000 each. These speakers support the school, make the students feel excited and it is great marketing.

The Hub

This new facility will benefit all the kids in different ways. The building work will be funded by Hackney and the school is raising money for the fit-out and equipment. This was seen as too large a project for the school community to raise money for. It was felt that more of an impact could be achieved by aiming at the other needs identified above.

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Current fundraising initiatives:

On-going:

School lottery.

This raises regular donations.

Not everyone knew about it, so we will promote it again.

Easy Fundraising:

Alicia Perez-Tejaeda set this up so supermarkets can make donations when registered people spend money at them. Alicia has promoted it in the WhatsApp groups.

Just Giving:

Vicki Webb has set this up and it can be used for individual fundraising initiatives.

Vicki has started a team to do the London Winter Run.

Making donating easy:

Requests for regular donations:

- We now have QR codes for donations to specific needs – to be on school stalls and at Parents Evenings and events.
- We have a QR code to set up regular donations (e.g. £5 a month).
- Option to 'Supersize your ticket' to help other kids via ParentPay. [Aaron to see if possible.](#)
- Ali from Ryan's N16 have kindly donated.

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Events:

Recent events:

A quiz was held in March 2025 – raised nearly £1,000.

A Bingo night was held in November 2025 – raised over £1,500.

A Pre-Loved Sale was held in November 2025 – raised over £4,000.

FoS drinks stall at The Winter Showcase on December 4th:

5-7pm at school.

Organising: Jo Edwards.

FoS drinks stall at school musical on December 10th, 11th & 12th

At school, time tbc.

Vicki will run a raffle at this.

[Vicki & Sarah to coordinate re prizes for this & Bingo – Vicki liaising with SNS drama staff]

Julie can help, which night is tbc

Bake sale:

Alicia Perez-Tejaeda organising. Date tbc. We will do a call-out for baked contributions.

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Further potential fundraising initiatives:

We had lots of great suggestions, including:

Match funding:

Sam Dimond is working with SNS parents to set up Benevity.

Sponsorship:

Local companies (e.g. Estate Agents) could be invited to sponsor a stall at the school musical, or have an advert in the programme. Anne Sheedy organised estate agents for Pre-Loved sale.

Vicki organising for School Musical.

Battle of the Bands

Edie (who wasn't able to attend) sent a message suggesting a Battle of the Bands event. She and her partner are both musicians and could pull in music industry contacts to judge and participate in the evening. This was seen as a great idea.

[Edie talking to Music & Drama about this]

Sports events

e.g. Dad's/Parent's Football. **Who is organising this?**

Board Game Evening:

David Robinson suggested a board game evening.

Is anyone up for organising this?

Funding pots at Royal Societies

Katie Bell said the Royal Society of Chemistry has funding pots available for schools to request.

Katie Bell to look into it.

Anabelle Marshall will look into the equivalent for humanities and languages.