



Dear Parent / Guardian

Lydgate Junior school have organised another textile collection with Bag2School in order to continue to raise funds for the Y6 residential to Edale.

Bag2School are the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 they have now paid out over £36 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for our school, it also helps the environment by helping to divert unwanted textiles away from landfill. A recent DEFRA report has shown that textile collection schemes are helping to reduce the volume of textiles discarded as municipal solid waste. However it is a fact that as a nation we still send 1,081,000 tonnes of textiles to landfill every year.

By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. Please note that the following items **cannot** be accepted:

- Duvets and blankets
- Pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile off cuts, yarns or threaded material

(refer to <https://bag2school.com/> for details).

In addition to raising much needed funds, it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

This year we will not be providing children with bags however any plastic bag will be accepted. Don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from our school on **Thursday 20th April**. If you are able to help, please bring your filled bags back to school on the date given for your child's year group. Bags should be taken straight to the practical area by the child to be stored.

Year 3 & 4 – Tuesday 18th of April

Year 5 – Wednesday 19th of April

Year 6 – Thursday 20th of April

Many thanks indeed for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Yours faithfully,

The Staff and children of Y6