

## Whitley Bay High School Trust Report 2019

The trustees wish to let all parents know how the trust fund resources have been allocated this year. Your child will benefit in some way or other, either directly or indirectly, during their years at the school. The trustees are required to allocate funds not just to the most deserving bids but also to the benefit of as many pupils as possible.

The successful bids for this coming school year are listed below. Every department may not be a recipient each year because of the limit of funds available and / or they may have received a generous allocation of funds in previous years. The school is most appreciative of this funding; it makes a big difference to school life and education each year.

<u>Dept</u>	<u>Items</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Comments</u>
SEND (Special educational needs & difficulties)	Hawkhurst Residential Visit	900	<u>900</u>	An activity enabling SEND Yr 9 pupils & staff to bond for working in the new school environment. The bid here already reflects that parents will be making a contribution. Funded in full as last year.
PSH (Physical, Social Care & Health Education)	St John's Ambulance 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid Course	370	<u>1450</u>	A repeat of a course last year to equip pupils in the essentials of 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid. It is funded in full.
	Parenting Skills	1080		Funding in full for an 'infant simulator' starter kit to provide parental experience and to provide for early childhood, infant health & sex education lessons and an opportunity to explore career paths.
Music	'Soloist of the Year' Competition	70	<u>70</u>	A modest bid that has been funded previously.
Careers	A series of Workshops	2000	<u>2000</u>	The size of bid & award reflects the importance of good careers advice. 3 workshops are identified:- Careers in Health; Mini Medics; & Challenge the Champions. Aimed at Yr 10 it will inform on career choices and further fields of study beyond GCSE.
Art Department	Digital Cameras	800	<u>800</u>	Good cameras are a vital educational tool. The bid for 4 DSLRs could only be met for 2 cameras. The Trust treasurer offered his DSLR plus lenses, seldom now used, which has been accepted.
STEM (Science, technology, engineering & mathematics)	Promotion of STEM to girls	500	<u>500</u>	There is a national initiative in schools, to project and inspire women into STEM fields. The award aims to identify, across all abilities, those showing an aptitude and potential leading to a STEM career and motivate them with invited speakers, online lectures, outside visits and reading materials.
Music and Drama / School	Musical Production	1000	<u>1000</u>	Partial funding approved as last year. These excellent school productions are expensive to stage & ticket sales alone won't cover these costs.
Pastoral	Rewards Scheme	1500	<u>2500</u>	A scheme regularly supported by the Trust.
	Raising of Mental Health Awareness	500		Support for students emotional wellbeing needs via staff training; 'headspace' subscriptions; guest speakers; mindfulness training & using relaxation techniques. Replenishment of 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid kits.
	SEMH (Social & emotional mental health)	500		An award to enable the creation of an allotment & nature garden to develop a number of essential skills and give respite from academic study.
<b>Total Award</b>			<b><u>£9220</u></b>	

To all parents supporting the Trust, the trustees and school wish to express heartfelt thanks. To all parents of Year 9 pupils, I hope this will encourage you to become donors whilst your child attends the school. Forms are available on the school website and will be sent to you with the appeal this term. Each year the Trust relies on new donors to replace those of parents whose children have now left the school.

If you are not yet a donor but would like to be, please contact the Trust through me:- 0191 2921990

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