

Dear New Valley Families

We are pleased to announce that **New Valley Primary School PTFA** has organised a clothing and shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the children of New Valley.

Bag2School is the UK's leading textile recycler and fundraiser working with schools and since its inception in 2001 it has 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 350,000 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 refer to http://uk.bag2school.com/ for

full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse. We do not accept uniform.

You can use any bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

Bag2School will be collecting from New Valley on Wednesday 16 November at 9am. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the Key Stage 1 playground and help us have a really good collection.

For health and safety reasons we <u>cannot</u> accept your bags before this date so please hang on to them until 16 November.

Please direct any enquiries you have to NVPS.PTFA@GMAIL.COM

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

Yours faithfully

NEW VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA