Dear Parent / Guardian

We are pleased to announce that we have organised another clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School in order to raise vital funds for Friends of Priory.

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 Friends of Priory, 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). This is a really good way of us earning some extra funds, as Bag2School will pay us 40p per kg that we collect. In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more, then you can use any other bag (black bin bag, bag for life etc) 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 near the playground under the gazebos on Monday 28th February. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to this area on this date by 9am and help us have a really good collection.

Many thanks in advance for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Kind regards,

Friends of Priory