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To all Parents/Guardians in Sunderland Catholic Primary Schools:

Dear Parent or Guardian,

RE: School Funding

You may have seen a number of stories in the press linked to school finances. School budgets are used to fund all of our operating costs including resources and equipment for pupils, staffing costs, ICT and buildings maintenance costs.

We feel it important that we let our parents and guardians know that there are huge concerns for head teachers, staff and governors about rising costs and lower levels of funding in our schools. Sunderland Catholic primary schools will work hard to ensure that cuts have the least possible impact on teaching. However, a continuation of rising costs and budget constraints means that tough decisions may have to be taken. Over time, we cannot guarantee that such cuts will not impact on teaching and learning, despite our best efforts to prevent this.

You can find out further information on the following website:

<http://www.schoolcuts.org.uk/#/schools?chosenSchool=3904605>

Please be assured that governors and head teachers will continue to take the utmost care with budgets to ensure all the money is spent effectively on our children.

Yours sincerely,

Sunderland Catholic Primary Head Teachers