

Penistone Scouts Bag to School 2017

Dear Scouts & Parents

We are pleased to announce that the group has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to raise funds for the Scout trip to Switzerland this year.

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 £10 million.

As well as raising vitally needed funds for the group, 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, bags, soft toys, curtains and bedding (not duvets or pillows). We will receive **£500 per tonne or £0.50/kg** which will be a great boost for our fundraising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the young people of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well! If you require further bags to fill please contact Bruce – 07921 766357

Please bring your bag (or bags!) to Penistone Scout Activity Centre by **Friday 19**th **May 2017** and help us have a really good collection. Many thanks for helping us with this unique fundraising opportunity.

Regards

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