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Friday January 28th 2022

Re: School Entrance Re-design

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy Friday! In what I hope will be a welcome change of tact I'm not writing today to update you on Covid....but I am writing asking for your help!

Since I started here in January 2020, I've wanted to transform the entrance to the school – not just tidy it up, but turn it into a space that welcomes you, keeps you dry in the rain and also provides a welcome 'calm' area for our children and staff throughout the day. In my mind's eye, we'd have raised beds where we could grow flowers and vegetables, visual displays that would keep you up to date with the events in school and even small activities for the children and their siblings to use as you're waiting to come in. The reason why we haven't moved on this project is pretty obvious; but now, I'm thinking that we could all use a 'lift' by getting underway with the project – what is more, your support of the PTFA has enabled us to start with a budget of around £4,000.

What I need is a small group of people who can help me with the know-how. I need folk who know construction, planting, trees, ways of sourcing railway sleepers for the raised beds, people who might be able to help source me small play equipment and adventure playground materials – and the soft bases to go with them...and.....we'll need a way of sheltering you all as you wait in the rain or the sun...I'll also need someone who can meet me and draw what it is that we want so that this can be something I can easily communicate.

If you think you can help, I'd love to hear from you. I've already spoken to the PTFA who are willing to continue to support the project with their future events. Just imagine! As soon as you enter the site, it shows you the warmth, energy, friendship and spirituality that exists inside.

I look forward to hearing from you – my email address is paulbarber@lourdes.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Have a great weekend, everyone.

Yours sincerely

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