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Dear Parents/ Carers,

As I am sure you are aware finances are always exceptionally tight at Longham. We are a non-profit making, charity Pre-School and pride ourselves on the fact that any money raised always goes directly back into our Pre-School, so the children directly benefit. The start of 2020 has been an unprecedented time for the world as a whole and an exceptionally tough one for Longham. The inability to hold our annual summer fayre which consistently raises in excess of £3000 has hit the purse strings badly. Married with a rent increase, the fact we are unable to show prospective families around and a general reluctance for parents to send their children in for more hours (because of worries over COVID and financial implications) we are facing worrying times.

With this in mind we have decided to hold a sponsored event, something we have done many times in the past. We will be holding a sponsored scoot/bike event on <u>Monday 19th October</u>. We would like all the children to attend the session on Monday, where they will take part in riding around the top half of the car park for 20 laps. We would like all the children to be in Pre-School by 9.30. They are then welcome to stay for the whole session (11.55) if they do not attend that day or you can pick them up earlier if you prefer. Named scooters or bikes will need to be bought in on that day, please also ensure they are confident to ride it! Unfortunately because of social distancing rules and stipulations given to to us by the church parents will not be able to spectate.

We very much appreciate finances are difficult for all our families at this very uncertain time, but we hope you will ask as many family and friends to sponsor your child in what we hope will be a fun event for them! A sponsor form and gift aid form is attached and we would like forms returned by **Friday 16th October** please.

Any questions please let us know,

Many Thanks for your support,

Leanne and Kelly x