



What is the SSOF?

The **Sheldon Student Opportunity Fund (SSOF)** is a charity run by parents to allow all children at Sheldon access to a variety of extracurricular experiences. Through generous support of parents, former students and our community, the SSOF is able to contribute to clubs, enrichment activities and trips that would otherwise be cost prohibitive for many families.

What do we fund?

The **SSOF** funds activities across all areas of the school, including:

Book Buzz – providing a free book to every child starting at Sheldon

After School Clubs – funding resources and materials for clubs such as the Lego Robotics Club, Dissection Club, Wellbeing Club and Sports Clubs

School Trips – providing funding for transport or other items associated with school trips to keep the costs down for families, including Year 7 Camp, visits to the Bristol Hippodrome and the Bletchley Park Maths Trip

Enrichment Activities – contributing towards costs of expeditions for Ten Tors Challenge and Duke of Edinburgh Award so that more young people can participate

Leavers' Events – partially funding the Year 11 Prom and Year 13 Ball to keep costs down for all everyone

Hardship Fund – contributing toward a fund to allow families facing financial hardship access enrichment opportunities

How do I donate?

It couldn't be easier to donate to the SSOF. No matter how much you are able to contribute, everything helps to ensure our children can access a wide range of activities. Here are some of the ways you can help:

Recurring Direct Debit – donating regularly helps us to better plan for the future as we'll know how much funding to anticipate throughout the year

One-time donations – you can donate at anytime via ParentPay

500 Club – join our own school lottery, find out how on ParentPay

Easy Fundraising – sign up and earn funds for the school while you shop

Second Hand Uniform Sale – throughout the year we hold uniform sales to benefit the SSOF. If you have old items that are still in good condition, please donate them to the school and don't forget to shop the sale!

Workplace Giving – Ask your employer if they have a payroll giving programme such as Benevity Fundraising to generate more support for our children

Together we can help make student life at Sheldon even more enjoyable and rewarding. If you would like to get involved, please get in touch. We're always eager to welcome new people to help decide how funds are allocated and to develop new fundraising initiatives.



Scan the QR code to find out more about what we do,
how to get involved and how to donate or email
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