

# CHRISTMAS GIFT FUND

Dear SJB Parents,

In recognition and appreciation of the dedicated service our SJB teachers provide to our children and the many talents and blessings they share with them, we are reaching out to ask for your contribution to the teacher [Christmas Gift Fund](#).

This annual fund was created years ago as a way for our school community to express our sincere thanks to the faculty and staff. It provides a modest monetary gift in appreciation and gratitude for their work with our children, which often goes above and beyond the call of duty. Last year more than three quarters of SJB families contributed to the fund, and we raised more than \$10,000. Each and every donation contributes in a meaningful way and allows us to remember our teachers during the holidays.

This year, the Christmas Gift Fund will provide a monetary gift not just for your child's homeroom teacher, but also to more than **30 faculty and staff members** who contribute to the excellent educational environment at SJB. They realize that this gift comes from you and your family, and they are always appreciative of your support and generosity.

We also know that many children like to give personal handmade gifts, and those creative and heartfelt gifts are also encouraged. However, personal gifts of monetary value are not expected because the staff is aware of this annual gift fund.

We will be using Paypal and their "pool" feature to collect money this year. It should make the process easier for all involved. You will be receiving an email shortly with a link to the website where you can make a donation. Donations can be made by Credit or Debit Card (small fee) or by Bank Transfer (free). Cash is also an option if you prefer to send it through the school office (attention Steve Hazleton).

The URL for the donation page is <https://paypal.me/pools/c/8k7TC41Pq8>

The total amount of current donations will be displayed, but your individual donation will remain confidential.

In order to distribute the gifts before the Christmas holiday, donations should be received by **December 16<sup>th</sup>**. However, we ask that you consider making a contribution even sooner if possible.

If you have any questions, please e-mail us at [sjbchristmasfund@gmail.com](mailto:sjbchristmasfund@gmail.com).

Thank you for your support, and we hope you have a safe and blessed Christmas season.

2019 SJB Christmas Gift Fund Committee