



**Green Shoots Fund  
at UCPS**

## UCPS Green Shoots Fund gift form

*To participate in the Green Shoots Fund, please complete this form and return it in a sealed envelope to the office at:*

University of Cambridge Primary School, Eddington Avenue, Cambridge, CB3 0QZ

*or email this form to:* [finance@universityprimaryschool.org.uk](mailto:finance@universityprimaryschool.org.uk)

### Your details - Please write in BLOCK CAPITALS

Title and name	<input type="text"/>		
Home address	<input type="text"/>		
County/State	<input type="text"/>	Post/Zip Code	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text"/>	Email	<input type="text"/>

### Regular donation

I have arranged to make a monthly donation of:

£10                     
 £20                     
 £30                     
 \_\_\_\_\_ (please write)

by monthly standing order from my bank account  
 by monthly Payroll Giving (please use the UCPS charity registration number 08557665 for this purpose)

My employer uses the following Payroll Giving agency: \_\_\_\_\_ (please write)

**Please use the following details for payment to the Green Shoots Fund:**

Sort code:                      20-17-19

Account number:              13312984

Bank name and address:      Barclays Bank plc, 9-11 St Andrews Street, Cambridge, CB2 3AA

Reference:                      Green Shoots

### Single donation

I wish to make a single donation

I have used the banking details above for a one-off donation, or I enclose a cheque made payable to *University of Cambridge Primary School*

*If eligible for Gift Aid, please complete the declaration below to increase the value of your gift by 25%:*

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I would like the University of Cambridge Primary School to treat as Gift Aid donations, this, all future and any previous donations applicable within HM Revenue and Customs time limits and regulations until I notify you otherwise. I can confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of UK Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the Charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I do understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

Signature ..... Date ...../...../.....

**Notes:** The University of Cambridge Primary School has charitable status

I would like this donation to remain anonymous                     
 I do not pay UK income or capital gains tax

### **What is the Green Shoots Fund?**

A steady, reliable source of financial support made possible by regular, automatic monthly donations from parents, carers and friends of UCPS. It has been created in response to the many parents who have approached FOCUS and asked how to support the school on a more consistent basis.

### **What is its purpose?**

Our state educational system is under considerable financial strain, and UCPS relies entirely on state funding. (Despite its name, UCPS receives no supplemental funding from the University.) In this challenging climate for state schools, our buzzwords have to be stability and flexibility: stability to sustain success, flexibility to overcome obstacles. The Green Shoots Fund accordingly offers UCPS more stability and flexibility, empowering the school with reliable, month-to-month funding that can address unexpected challenges throughout the year and offer our children learning opportunities beyond those envisioned by the state curriculum.

### **How will donations be used?**

The idea of the Green Shoots Fund is not to be prescriptive. It strives to give our teachers room to attend to issues and expenses as they emerge and develop over the course of the year. Donations are made directly to a dedicated bank account at the school and are administered in accordance with the school's strict financial policy. The Headteacher reports annually (summer term) on the fund's revenue and how it is allocated.

### **How to give?**

It's easy: just set up a revolving monthly bank payment via standing order. Or use your employers' pre-tax payroll giving programme (GAYE). **Please use the attached donations form to let school administrators know a donation has been made.** FOCUS suggests that parents consider a monthly contribution of £10/month, in line with the experiences of other UK schools. If you are able to give more, please consider doing so. Please remember to complete the attached GiftAid form to increase your donation by 25%. (GiftAid is not applicable for pre-tax donations. Ask FOCUS for further details.)

### **Who can give?**

Anyone. We look to parents and carers as primary contributors, but the Green Shoots Fund also offers a great way for grandparents and other friends/family to support the growth and development of our children's education.

### **Do I have to participate?**

Absolutely not. We all contribute to the school in whatever ways we can. Our hope is simply that the Green Shoots Fund offers UCPS's parent/carer community an easy, convenient way to help the school thrive by way of monthly financial contributions.

### **What if I want to earmark my donation or make a special, one-off contribution (e.g. by purchasing educational equipment or sharing skills)?**

Great! The Green Shoots Fund is one of various avenues by which to give to the school. Please contact the staff directly to discuss a targeted contribution. We encourage parents also to consider how their employers may make in-kind or financial contributions to UCPS.

### **Who is behind the Fund? Who should I contact for more information?**

The Green Shoots Fund is spearheaded and organized by FOCUS, although donations to the Fund go directly to UCPS to benefit our teachers and children. All questions about the initiative should be directed to FOCUS at [focusucps@gmail.com](mailto:focusucps@gmail.com).