



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

OUR SCHOOL VALUES: RESPECT - UNDERSTANDING – PEACE – HONESTY – RESPONSIBILITY - TEAMWORK

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'Love one another as I have loved you.' John 13:34

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Dear Parents

This half term's value is **Peace**

Autumn Term Newsletter No. 6

Setting up for the Christmas Bazaar is well underway and it's lovely to see so many cakes being brought into school. I know the children are excited about tomorrow and I look forward to seeing many of you. Just a reminder that it runs from 11am – 2pm, so spread the word!

School Grounds Update

The school grounds committee continue to work hard on our plans for developing the school grounds, submitting bids, organising fundraising. Thank you to the following people/companies, who have sent us a cheque and a special thank you to Mrs Simpkins who organised these fabulous donations.

- GB Taxfree Limited
- Perry Davis
- F Richardson
- S G Black
- Robert Jullien

Cloakrooms and Rucksacks

As promised, we have now explored a variety of options regarding the cloakroom spaces and rucksacks. We have taken into consideration the views of staff, parents and children and unfortunately no realistic solution has been found. I really do appreciate that rucksacks are by far the most practical way of getting all items to school and would like to be able to say we could accommodate them but cannot. After the Christmas holidays we will therefore continue to request that rucksacks remain at home. Any children who do bring a rucksack in will be asked to take out what they need for the day and their rucksack will be put into a cupboard for the day for safe keeping. Drawstring bags for PE kits are absolutely fine. We do hope parents understand that we have seriously looked at every avenue and will continue to do so, but in the meantime will follow the request of no rucksacks.

Story Start and Homework Club

Please note that the cost of clubs will be increased after the Christmas break to £4 (SS) and £6 (HC). In order to manage the staffing of these clubs effectively, bookings/payments must be received in the office, in a named envelope, at least 24 hours in advance. Advance block bookings/payments are of course accepted.

Forest Schools

Still a resounding success and as Mrs Bradshaw and Miss Suckling have now finished their training effectively, we will have two classes taking part next year. After the Christmas break both

Cherry Platts (Y5) and Windmills will be enjoying Forest Schools. Look out for the letter in book bags towards the end of term.

School Bible Verses

As mentioned in the last newsletter each class now has a bible verse as follows:-

John 13:34 (Windmills)

Love one another as I have loved you.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (Honey Pots)

It's better to have a partner than do things alone. Share the work, share the benefits. And if one falls down, the other can help.

Proverbs 3:13 (Little Peppers)

Blessed are those who find wisdom, those who gain understanding.

1 Peter 3:15 (Folly Fields)

But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

Proverbs 16:8 (Holly Crofts)

Better to have a little and be fair than to have much and be dishonest.

2 Corinthians 1:4 (Cherry Platts)

He helps us in all our troubles, so that we are able to help others who have all kinds of troubles, using the same help that we ourselves have received from God.

Luke 10:37 (Great Oaks)

The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

The Proposed Leisure and Community Hub Facility in Amersham

Chiltern District Council is considering the development of a new state-of-the-art leisure and community hub facility to replace the existing Chiltern Pools, community centre facilities, library and youth centre. It is proposed that the new facility will be located on the existing leisure centre/community facilities site and provide a range of activities, including:

- 8-lane 25 metre swimming pool with viewing
- Diving / teaching pool alongside a kids' splash pad area
- 4 badminton court sports hall
- 2 x squash courts
- Climbing wall
- Children's soft play area and clip 'n' climb
- Library
- Café area
- Pool Spectator area
- Exercise Studios
- 150 station gym
- Community centre (events/theatre space & community meeting spaces)

The Council is undertaking a public consultation, to understand if residents are supportive of developing a new leisure/community hub, and also what facilities they would like to be included.

The public consultation ends on the 12th December 2016. Please visit

www.chiltern.gov.uk/leisureconsultation to complete the on-line survey and express your views.

Kind regards

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