



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: **Responsibility**

Spring Term Newsletter No. 5

As we draw nearer to the end of another term I would like to congratulate all the children and staff for their hard work and enthusiasm. The children have worked so hard and I am regularly being told of another breakthrough or success by teachers. The children have enjoyed many exciting learning opportunities including even more Forest Schools, trips, sporting and music events. As I write this newsletter the lovely smell of Little Peppers' Medieval Banquet is wafting through the school corridors. I know the children have enjoyed tasting everything which has been prepared.

I was very proud when last week Eileen Northey, School Adviser from the Oxford Diocese visited the school last week. She commented on the children's excellent behaviour at all times, some outstanding RE learning and the fabulous deep thinking/ questioning of our children.

Involving Children in Collective Worship

Collective Worship is a really important part of our day and one which I am keen to involve the children in. After the Easter break I would like to work with a group of interested pupils in the planning and delivery of Collective Worship. I have spoken to the children about it and would like those who are interested in doing this to write to me with a few bullet points of ideas as to how they could be involved with Collective Worship or improvements we could make.

I would like to meet with children who are interested on Thursday 20th April at lunch time when they can share their letters and discuss ideas. Depending on how many children show an interest it may be necessary for a brief interview in order to select a small team moving forward.

Music Festival

I was so proud to see and listen to our choir and instrumentalists in last night's 'inConcert Music Festival' in Amersham. What a beautiful sound they made. It was reported to me that all the children behaved impeccably during the rehearsal and tea beforehand and were a credit to our school, which is lovely to hear.

KS2 and KS1 SATs Information

It was lovely to see so many parents at our two SATs meetings. The PowerPoints from each meeting are on the website in the Parents Forum section for any parents who were unable to attend. Please also note the link below from the Government which contains information leaflets and videos about these 2017 National Curriculum tests.

[Promotional material: 2017 national curriculum tests for key stages 1 and 2: information for parents](#)

Mothering Service – led by KS1

This was very well attended this year and the service led by our KS1 children was really lovely. We hope you enjoyed being part of this special service and that mummies in Key Stage 1 enjoyed their special biscuits!

Red Nose Day

Thank you to everyone who dressed in red for Red Nose Day. £170 was raised.

Friday, 31st March

Just a reminder that school finishes at 2pm this Friday for the Easter holidays. The school coach has been advised of this earlier pick up time. We are also holding a non-school uniform day for which we ask parents to please donate a bottle for our school May Fayre.

Lost Property

Please check the lost property box before the end of term. It is bursting at the seams with a variety of clothes. Any items left in it by the end of the day on Friday will be sent to charity/thrown away.

Easter Gardens

Just a reminder for children to create an Easter garden. The following link helps to explain more about Easter gardens and you and your child may enjoy watching it together.

<http://request.org.uk/restart/2017/02/23/make-an-easter-garden>. Please bring in completed Easter Gardens straight after the Easter holidays.

Gates

As another safety measure, both the gate outside the school office and the drop off gate will be locked at 3.25pm. Teachers have been advised to release the children promptly at the end of the day.

I hope everyone has a restful and Happy Easter and I look forward to seeing you back at school on Wednesday, 19th April.

Mrs R Phillips
Headteacher