



## HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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### **Bulb Planting**

Dear Parents and Carers

We warmly invite you to our annual bulb planting event. The weather is unseasonably warm this week, but the shorter, colder days will be with us soon; in the Spring, it will be wonderful to see drifts of daffodils, hyacinths, muscari and snowdrops breaking through the winter soil and bringing colour to our school grounds.

This year, on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024, we will be separating the EYFS/Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 bulb planting sessions, to allow us more space and to enable parents with children across key stages to spend time with them all.

The Key Stage 1 bulb planting will be at 8.40am-8.55am. Children will go into school at the usual time to be registered. The teachers will then bring their classes outside to the playground to meet up with parents and move to their planting area. Children and their families will be able to enjoy planting some bulbs, then we will say our goodbyes, adults will leave and the children will return inside for assembly at 9.00am. For parents who are new to the school, our bulb planting is a brief but enjoyable event.

The Key Stage 2 bulb planting will be at 3pm-3.15pm. Children will then return to their classrooms. This will allow Key Stage 1 children to be dismissed at the normal time of 3.15pm and Key Stage 2 children will be dismissed at 3.25pm.

**Please may we request donations of bulbs from families to enable this event to happen? In the past, families have sometimes brought bulbs with them on the day, but this year we are asking for donations in advance, so that we can create some predesigned patterns in the planting areas.**

**We are also asking whether any families could help us by providing a rotavator to prepare the soil. If you are to help in this way, please could you let the Office know. We would also really appreciate donations of bags of compost, so that we can refresh our planters around school.**

**Please could families who are joining us for bulb planting bring along some gardening tools. If you are unable to attend, we would be grateful to borrow some gardening tools.**

Kind regards

Mrs Shead