

### 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: Understanding

## Summer Term Newsletter No. 1

I hope everyone had a restful Easter break, which seemed to speed by very quickly this year. It must have been the lovely sunny weather. Unfortunately it's a little wet outside now, but at least it was fine this morning for our year 5 and 6 children who were taking part in the two day cycling proficiency.

## **Easter Gardens**

Some beautiful Easter Gardens have been brought into school and are at present on display in the entrance corridor. I am most impressed with the children's creativity and the time and hardwork that have obviously gone into the creation of these gardens.

## **Involving Children in Collective Worship**

As promised in the last newsletter, I met today with children who are interested in the planning and delivery of Collective Worship in our school. We discussed a variety of ideas as to how they could be involved and what improvements we could make.

The children involved are: Poppy Clarke (Y3), Laura Macklin (Y4) and Charlotte Miller (Y5)

# Parent Forum: Positive Steps - Thursday, 27th April 8.30am

Following on from the Governor's Parent Questionnaire, when some helpful and positive suggestions were made about the school, we would like to take this opportunity to reflect some more and plan together. This forum will be fairly informal with no fixed agenda, so please drop in when you can for a cup of coffee and chat with me, governors and staff at the school. As always, parent forums are designed to be an opportunity for parents to share in the strategic development of the school and, as such, need to be positive and reflective. If you know you are able to come it would be help to have an idea of number, so please let the office know, but if not just turn up on the day I look forward to making some positive plans with you.

# Kith and Kin Art Afternoon - Friday, 28th April 2017 1.15pm – 3pm

Next Friday we are holding another one of our successful Kith and Kin afternoons, but this time with the focus being on Art. For this particular afternoon, we will be printing with nature and using William Morris as our inspiration! Morris is a well-known designer who aimed to bring the outdoors into the home with his work, creating many beautiful printed wallpaper patterns amongst other things. There will be lots of opportunity for exploring with paint and natural objects collected from our local area. Mary Pomeroy has kindly offered to lead one of the group sessions, for which we are incredibly grateful. All parents are most welcome to join their child for this fun afternoon and we look forward to seeing you all.

Mrs R Phillips Headteacher