



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, Carers and Families

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

Summer Term Newsletter No. 7

It certainly was a hot week last week. I hope you have enjoyed the weather and managed to find somewhere cool to learn and reflect. I know the builders working at school are very hot, but it is not stopping them from making progress. The long awaited extension to our Year 1 classroom (first planned to be done over last summer) is now well under way. We have walls, window and door frames. The roof should be up by Tuesday, all very exciting!

Children in school

It really is lovely to see some of our children back in school. Please can I remind you if possible to come onto the school site alone without the help of siblings and to please let us know if your child will not be attending for any reason. I am currently taking guidance from the local authority with regards to what is permitted in terms of more children returning to school before the summer.

Our school pond

Many thanks to Graham, our pond and Forest Schools volunteer and nature enthusiast. Over the last week or so he has worked in and around the pond clearing away algae etc. to make the pond dipping once again feasible. Our critical worker bubble children have been the first to dip their nets in and have been very excited to pull out newts, snails and all sorts of other wildlife.

News from the classes...

The KS2 critical worker bubbles have been working really hard and as well as pond dipping this week, they have made some super nature puzzles. Teachers continue to receive some wonderful home learning updates from you all. These have included some wonderful project work, beans which have been grown and now look ready to harvest and some really creative use of home resources to support learning. Well done everyone!

Book Return

Please could all the 'Battle of the Books' books be returned to school before the end of term, as well as any other school library or reading books. We would like to get the library ready for September and appear to be missing quite a few books.

This Week's music ...

This week's music has been chosen by one of our Windmills families. It is "The Lark Ascending" by Ralph Vaughan Williams, an English Composer. It's a beautiful piece of pastoral music, quintessentially British. Take a moment of calm to reflect on the British countryside in summertime whilst you listen to this; perfect for mindfulness in these unusual times.



Please do send in your recommendations; a poem or music that you would like us all to listen to. I would love to hear your suggestions. Please email them to the school office with an explanation as to why you have chosen it so that I can include that in future newsletters.

Finally, I wish you all a lovely week and look forward to being in touch again shortly.

Kind regards

Mrs R Phillips
Headteacher