



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Kith and Kin Reading afternoon – Friday 26th September, 1.45pm – 3pm

We are delighted to be holding our first Kith and Kin family afternoon of the new academic year on **Friday 26th September**. Our focus will be Reading and all children will be creating character collages from well-known children's story books. We will also be officially opening our beautiful 'Cosy Corner' and Reading Shed.

The idea of Kith and Kin comes from the book 'Kith: The Riddle of the Childscape' written by Jay Griffiths and has been reviewed by Iain McGilchrist as 'an impassioned, visionary plea to restore to our children the spirit of adventure, freedom and closeness to nature that is their birth right'; this is the learning journey we intend for our children in our own 'Kith and Kin' sessions.

For Kith and Kin sessions, the children will work together in family groups made up of their own siblings and other children from across the school.

The afternoon session will, (weather permitting) involve some time outside, so please come prepared to be outside in our school grounds.

If you are able to join us, you are invited to arrive at school for a **1.45pm start**. Signing in at the office will be available from **1.30pm** and tea and coffee will be served in the hall before the session. The session will end at **3pm** when you will be invited to sign out. If you aren't able to join us, your child will be accompanied by teaching staff and will take part fully in the afternoon session.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Birley and Miss Muckell