



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL



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Dear Parents

We are delighted to announce that the school is holding another textile collection for the **Happy School Bag Fundraising Scheme**.

This scheme is designed to help schools raise funds and help the environment by diverting discarded, but reusable, textiles away from landfill. In the UK alone we consume and discard over 1.4 million tonnes of textiles a year which goes directly into landfill, despite the fact that there is spare capacity in textile recycling plants.

The clothing collected is sold to the second-hand market industry, it is exported to various countries worldwide, where thrift markets flourish, providing affordable clothing to disadvantaged individuals and vintage clothing enthusiasts alike. This practice also reflects a growing eco-friendly trend of acquiring second-hand clothes. Reuse represents a positive aspect of recycling, as it prolongs the lifespan of garments and helps divert them from landfills.

By taking part in this scheme you help to reduce this amount by giving textiles a new lease of life. Plus we usually receive around £60-80, so it really is worth doing, both for the environment and for our children.

To take part you simply need to fill the *Happy School bag* (which has been given out today) or a black bin liner with unwanted, but clean, clothing (children and adult) including paired shoes and accessories (hats, belts, handbags, etc....).

This is a fantastic opportunity to raise eco-friendly awareness amongst children. Everyone can take part so spread the word and let's get fundraising!

The Happy School Bag van will collect from school on **THURSDAY, 13th November at 9am**. Please bring all your bags to **the patch of grass next to the pond before 9am** and help us have an amazing collection.

Many thanks for taking part!

Mrs R Phillips
Headteacher

Accepted

- Adult and children's clothing
- Paired Shoes
- Fashion accessories
- Handbags, Belts
- Hats, Scarves
- Jewellery, Perfumes

NOT Accepted

- Dirty, Damaged, Wet Clothes
- Uniforms, Underclothing
- Toys, Books, DVD's
- Duvets, Pillows, Household linen
- Carpets, Blankets, Curtains
- Bric-a-Brac

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