



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Kith and Kin afternoon – Wednesday 21st May 1.30pm – 3pm

Our next Kith and Kin family afternoon will be on Wednesday 21st May. Our focus will be on friendship linking to our current topic of Relationships in PSHE across the school. We will be using the book 'The Rainbow Fish' by Marcus Pfister as our inspiration to reflect on what makes us a good friend, we will make some collaborative art work and create a nature friendship bracelet.

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 the Kith and Kin session, the children will work together in family groups (i.e. siblings and family members) with a mixture of other children from across the school.

The afternoon session will 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 between 1.30-1.45pm. Signing in at the office will be available from 1.30pm and tea and coffee will be served in the hall before the session starts at 1.45pm. 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 still take part fully in the afternoon session.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Wade and Miss Daly