



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 **Honesty**

Spring Term Newsletter No. 1

Welcome back to school after what seemed a very quick Christmas break. The weather has been quite changeable so please ensure all children bring a warm coat to school every day please.

Caretaker

I would like to officially give a warm welcome to Mr Paul Young who is our new caretaker. You will have seen him around our school site over the last few months and I am pleased he has decided to join us on a permanent basis.

Visitors from Shanghai

Today, with great excitement, we welcomed Miss Gu and Mrs He, the Chinese exchange teachers who were paired up with Mrs Hughes as part of the Maths Mastery Shanghai Programme. Little Peppers were delighted to be taught a terrific maths lesson by Miss Gu watched by most of the teaching staff, who are itching to put into practice some of the pedagogies observed. The Chinese teachers were then invited into our celebration assembly to meet the rest of the school and see how Hawridge and Cholesbury celebrate their weekly achievements. Although only a fleeting visit, we were happy to have the experience and to be given the chance to proudly show off our school which is so very different from Shanghai schools.

RE Afternoon

I do hope parents are able to join us for our RE afternoon next Tuesday (23rd January). It will run as previous afternoons, in that parents join their child(ren) in their class for a specific fun activity and then join all the children for a short Show and Tell Assembly in the hall lead by Mrs White at 2.30pm. The children love sharing their learning, art and craft with adults and it promises to be a fun-filled afternoon. It will start at 1.10pm and finish at 3pm.

Film Night

A letter has gone out for our next Film Night on Friday, 26th January. The film this term will be 'The Emoji Movie', which I am told is very funny and suitable for all ages.

Parking/Dangerous Driving

It is a real shame that a few parents are causing great upset and stress for other parents! I have received an unbelievably high number of complaints already this term from parents about cars parked on the zigzag lines outside school, cars speeding into spaces and overtaking with no clear visibility. Once again I am asking parents NOT TO BACK INTO THE SCHOOL DRIVE please. I really do not understand why the parking/driving concerns are not being taken seriously.

PE Kits

Every child should have their full PE kit in school at all times please. The office does have a few spares, but only for emergencies not for weekly use by a number of children!

School Fund

A letter was sent out recently regarding our school fund. Each year we invite parents to make an annual contribution towards extra resources and materials or special events. This allows us to meet the costs of extra enriching activities from which the children benefit. In the past the fund has been used for things such as Forest School items (marshmallows and tarpaulins), glitter and card for Christmas, cooking ingredients and coach subsidy to name but a few.

Kind regards

Mrs R Phillips
Headteacher