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Dear Parents,

What a busy first week back we've all had at Farway! How lovely it has been to see you all again after the half term and hear all about your exciting adventures with your families. It's wonderful to see so many of you are already challenging yourselves and are so engaged in your learning.

This term's collective worship theme is Hope. The children have collaborated in mixed age groups, to define what is meant by Hope. Through much reflective discussion, the children established that Hope is a feeling we feel when we expect or might want something to happen. But, can you recall the difference between hope and a wish?

The pupils took turns to share some of their Hopes for themselves, and identified that while these hopes may only be important to us, or might only be small hopes, that they are just as important because they are our own stepping stones to making us a better person. Explain to someone at home what your hopes are to help you be an even better version of you.



Realising that some of our Hopes may be for other people who are not as fortunate as ourselves, the children identified that the world cannot improve and help others, without hope. Share some of your hopes for the world with someone in your family. What improvements in the world do you hope for and why?

After a selection of Hope themed activities, the pupils finally concluded that not all hopes need to be big and that hope is actually a very powerful feeling which can really make a huge difference, no matter how big or small your dream is.

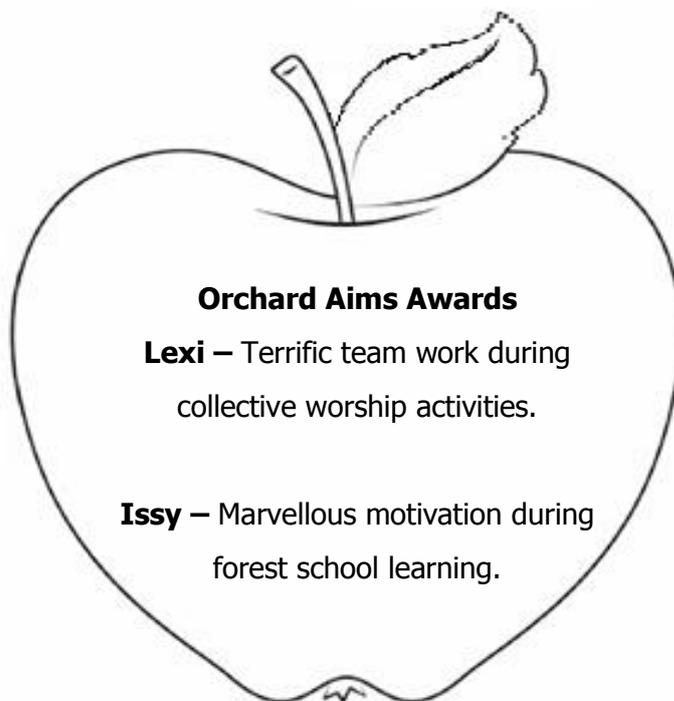
By the end of this week we will have collated all of our worship themed activities and will display them in our main worship area, in the middle of our library. Please do come and take a look at all of the hard work and reflections the children have generated. Feel free to take a leaf or a pebble and add your own hopes for yourself or the world.



Thank you for all your continued support.
God bless and have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes from Katie Gray and the staff at Farway CE School

Question of the week: What are your hopes for yourself or the world?



Key Dates

Summer Term 2018

11th June- Key Stage 2 Quad Kids Event at Honiton Community College.

13th June- Key Stage 2 Trip to Royal Albert Memorial Museum, Exeter.

22nd June- Exe Valley Challenge Practice Walk.

Sunday 1st July- Exe Valley Challenge.

23rd July – Federation Sports Day & Race for Life.

24th July – Last Day of Term

Headlice

We have an ongoing problem with Head lice in school. **Please** can **all** parents check their child's hair for head lice, and treat them accordingly? We would appreciate your help with this. Please check your child's hair every night. **It only takes one child not to be treated, for the whole school to become re-infected.** By working together we hope to prevent further outbreaks.

Sun cream and Hats

As the weather is becoming warmer, on warm days the children should have a sun **hat** with them, and have **sun-cream** already applied, before they come to school. We are not able to apply sun cream for the children. If children can apply sun cream themselves, please send them in to school with a named bottle of cream, to put extra on during the day (we have noticed that there is now roll on sun cream, which is easy for children to put on by themselves). Please can the children also bring a **water bottle** to school with them? Thank you for your help with this. **This is especially important to remember on the days that children will be doing P.E lessons, as they can easily overheat in the sun.**

Fundraising for Playground Soft Surface

We are going to start fundraising to raise funds, so that we can upgrade our preschool playground area, to a soft bouncy, rubber surface. This will make a huge difference to the outside area, which is in constant use by the children. If you have any ideas on how we can raise funds, please let us know. Thank you to those of you who have been in touch. We have now signed up for a **Bags2school** fundraising collection, so please get saving old clothes, duvet covers, shoes, towel etc. and we will let you know when to bring them into school. Thank you.

Federation Sports Day & Race for Life

On Monday 23rd July, all of the children will be taking part in our annual Federation Sports Day. As part of this event, we will be holding a 'Race for Life' to help raise money for the Cancer Research charity. Each child will receive a medal on completion of the race. We will shortly be sending home sponsorship forms, for each child which will need to be returned to school after the race. We hope that you will aid us in raising money for this worthy cause, and give the children something to feel really proud of. Thank you.

Honiton Learning Community Sports Events

Throughout this year, we have the opportunity to take part in a selection of sports events at Honiton Community College. We would like our children to take part in as many of these events as possible, as they are a wonderful opportunity for the children to be involved in Physical Education, alongside friends from the Federation and other children in the Learning Community. They are also lots of fun! As the events are often only for a select age range, we would appreciate parent's help in transporting children to and from these activities.

One Monday 11th June we have a Quad Kids Event for Key Stage 2, a reminder that **no child will be able to take part in this event without a completed SOE3 form**, thank you to the parents who have volunteered to help with transport to and from this event, we really appreciate your help.

The remaining events for this half term will take place on **Monday 18th and Friday 29th June** and will be for **Key Stage 2** children. If you are able to help transport children to this event, please speak to Tamsin in the school office. These events cannot take place without parent volunteers, so we would really appreciate your help. Thank you!

Collective Worship Activity

This term we will be focussing in school on the value of Hope. We hope your family will find these ideas helpful as you explore the value and have fun together. If the children bring back something that you have done at home linked to the Collective Worship activity, or can talk about a discussion they've had at home linked to it, then Mrs Gray will award them with a new special sticker.



FAMILY FOCUS

Spiral of Hope

Start with a circle of paper or light card and draw a spiral. On the spiral write a **hope** or dream that you have that will make the world a safer, cleaner or more healthy place to live. Cut along the lines until you get to the centre, leaving a circle in the middle. Make a hole in the middle so you can hang your spiral from a thread. (You may want to practice drawing a good spiral on some scrap paper before you start.)



Please order meals for _____

The menu is on the school website www.farway.devon.sch.uk - Please look at **week 2**.

	Menu Choices for Week Beginning 11th June 2018	Cost £2.50 per meal
Monday		
Tuesday		
Wednesday		
Thursday		
Friday		
	Amount Enclosed	£
	Please make cheques payable to Devon County Council	

In accordance with our policy, if you pay for your child's meals then payments for school meals should be made on the Monday before the meals are taken.