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# Everyone is a gift and everyone is gifted

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2021

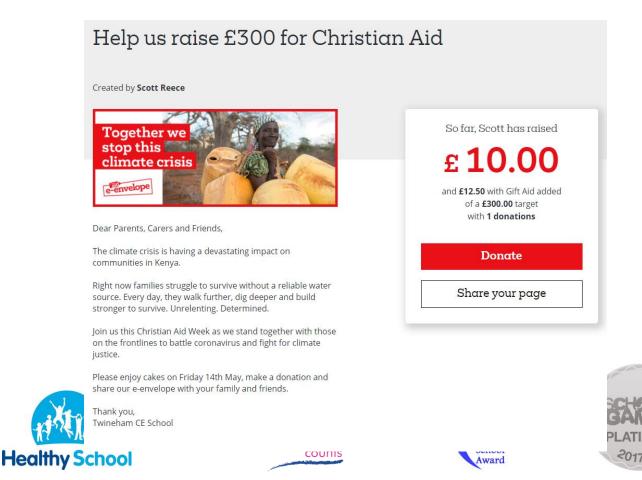
Dear Parents,

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 3pm: Together we stop this climate crisis

We are supporting an appeal to stop the climate crisis that is leaving Kenya without reliable sources of water. Next Friday we are hosting a Christian Aid Cake Sale on our large playground to support the cause. We would be very grateful for donations of cakes to school any time before 3pm. We truly appreciate your amazing home baking and are always thankful for cakes bought from shops, too. Please make donations electronically any time at https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/twineham-cofe-school?channel=copy

Please use **Gift Aid** wherever possible. Just tell us at the cake sale if you have made a donation and you can choose a scrumptious cake to enjoy. We will spread tables out for social distance and ask everyone to wear face-coverings where possible.

We shared Florence's story with the children in our assemblies this week: <u>https://www.christianaid.org.uk/appeals-key-appeals/christian-aid-week/christian-aid-week-florences-story</u>



## **Reducing pollution in Church Lane**

Please remember to switch off car engines in Church Lane. Car exhaust fumes create unnecessary pollution for our children and families if engines are left running. Thank you for your support.

#### Trainers for the summer term

You may recall a survey we ran to ask our families about wearing trainers to school. We received some strong support for trainers but also many comments supporting shoes to stay as uniform policy, for a range of reasons. We are now wearing trainers for plenty of sport, PE and after school clubs this term so smart **trainers are acceptable every day**, rather than asking you to buy new school shoes at this time of year, with 6 weeks in the summer for children's feet to grow bigger! We would



prefer darker colours but trainers **are** acceptable every day this term.

#### Curriculum of Hope

This week we shared our curriculum plans for the summer term, inspired by Debra Kidd's book 'A Curriculum of Hope'. You will find the overviews and background information in yesterday's eSchools message and on our website at https://twineham.eschools.co.uk/website/our curriculum at twineham/25262

Our new approach is inspired by learning 'as **rich in humanity** as in knowledge', building bridges between pupils' learning and the world around them with key concepts and questions. Please see an excerpt below from a Google Book Review, which provides further insight into the approach:

Written by Debra Kidd, *A Curriculum of Hope: As rich in humanity as in knowledge* explores how good curriculum design can empower schools to build bridges between their pupils' learning and the world around them.

A great many schools are wondering how they can build a curriculum model that meets the demands of government policy as well as the needs of the children and communities they serve...Working on the premise that a strong curriculum is supported by five key pillars of practice [coherence, credibility, creativity, compassion and community], she presents a plethora of examples that demonstrate how schools, parents, pupils and the wider local community can learn together to build from within.

Debra enquires into the ways in which schools can create units of work that are both knowledgeand humanity-rich, and challenges the view that the role of children is simply to listen and learn, instead advocating their active engagement with local and global issues.

She does so by delving into the role of pedagogy as a means of empowering children, and by exploring some of the more overlooked pedagogical tools that can have a great impact on

children's learning and well-being story, movement and play as well as some of the recent research into memory and retention.

Source:

https://books.google.co.uk/books/about/A\_Curriculum\_of\_Hope.html?id=xajODwAAQBAJ&source=kp\_book\_descri ption&redir\_esc=y

We hope you agree that this an exciting approach to engage and immerse pupils in their learning with deeper meaning, as they strive to make the world a better place. Please just ask if you have any questions or would like to discuss the curriculum with us.

### **Diary Dates**

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021 from 3pm	Christian Aid Cake Sale
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	1 <sup>st</sup> day of half-term break and Bank Holiday
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Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed for INSET
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Pupils return to school for 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of Summer Term
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed for INSET
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	'Day of Sport' Celebration
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last day of school year

Kind regards,

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Scott Reece, Headteacher