



'Learning together, loving others, guided by God'

Heene Church of England (Aided) Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs Jo MacGovern

Friday 8th June 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 5 - St Barnabas House Hospice Project

Mrs MacGovern and I attended a meeting last night regarding a Year 5 project for next year but were delighted to be offered the late opportunity to slot in a group this year due to another school pulling out. We can take 12 of our Year 5 children over a 3-week period.

The project will take place on Monday afternoons (18th June, 25th June, 9th July) from 1pm – 3pm. Children will be transported to and from the project in the Hospice minibus, accompanied by 2 members of staff from Heene. The children should return by 3.20pm each week. Parents are also invited to join the group on the 9th July for a celebration of their work and a chance to meet the children's buddies!

The project will involve the children being buddied up with one of the patients in the Day Hospice only; taking part in art activities; a tour of the hospice and finding out more about the care that is provided by the hospice to the community.

The aims of the project set out by St Barnabas are:

- Building links and raising awareness in the community about the hospice's work.
- Working with children in the hospice environment to create healthier attitudes towards death, dying and life transition.
- Addressing myths and reducing anxiety around loss and bereavement.
- Lots of fun and lots of laughter!

We are very much looking forward to building links with the Hospice. Please complete the attached Reply slip, Media Consent Form and return it to school **no later than Wednesday 13th June.**

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

Joanne Beer
KS2 Phase Leader/Year 5 Teacher



Year 5 - ST BARNABAS HOUSE HOSPICE PROJECT

TO BE RETURNED TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 13th JUNE

I give permission for _____ in _____ class to attend the St Barnabas project on 18th/25th June and 9th July.

I agree that he / she can be transported on the St Barnabas minibus with Heene staff.

I give consent for photos to be taken during the session and used on the school website and I have completed the St Barnabas media consent form.

Signed: