



Homefield Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

11.3.19

As part of our RE curriculum and to raise the Christian distinctiveness at Homefield we are planning to undertake a themed day celebrating the Eucharist/Holy Communion. The Eucharist occupies a central and sacred place in the worshipping life of almost all Christian communities worldwide. Teaching about it is therefore of fundamental importance to children's learning about the Christian religion in schools. It is also known as the Lord's Supper or Mass.

In class, we will utilise a developmental approach to learning focussing on different elements from biblical teaching, as well as the symbolism of the event. We will also attend Church, where Rev. Martin will explain to us in more detail the Christian significance of the original story.

To culminate our studies, we are hoping to demonstrate the importance of the Eucharist by re-enacting the celebration in class. This would take the form of a fellowship where children would be invited to eat a piece of bread and drink some 'wine' (Ribena). This will not be a religious communion service, but merely a secular demonstration of what Jesus and his disciples did to remember Jesus at the Last Supper.

We hope you are willing to allow your child to fully participate in this themed day, but if you feel you would not like your child to take part in the eating of the bread and 'wine,' please return the slip below making this clear. Children who opt out will still be able to participate in all other parts of the teaching. (Gluten free bread will be available for those children who require it)

We feel this will also be a fantastic way to welcome in the Easter holidays.

Yours sincerely,

Bradley Young
Headteacher

To the Office:

Eucharist Day 4th April 2019

I give / do not give (**delete as appropriate**) permission for my child

_____ to take part in the 'bread and wine' activity for the Eucharist celebration.

Signed: _____

