



# CHAPMANSLADE CE VA PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Learning together in a Christian community,  
nurturing and developing lively minds in a caring  
environment.**



4<sup>th</sup> March 2020

Dear Parents and Friends of Chapmanslade School,

In preparation for our 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebrations, we are making a very special altar cloth for use during collective worship. All pupils in the school have contributed ideas and artwork that they believe represents the Christian foundation and everyday life of our school.

Mrs Maggie Thackway, one of our foundation governors, successfully applied for a grant that has allowed us to buy in the help of artist Elisa Amor. Ms Amor has worked on the project with an Altar Cloth Committee consisting of Alex, Alfie, Evelyn, Georgie, Isis P, Kai, Leighton, Lolabelle and Zachary.

The Committee chose to represent a season of the year on each side of the altar cloth. Each side includes a tree to represent one of our classes; religious symbolism appropriate to the season; reference to our rural setting; and an aspect of life in our school. The beautiful designs that Ms Amor created from the children's ideas are shown below.



During Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March and Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, Mrs Thackway and Ms Amor will work with small groups of children (all pupils take part over the two days) to sew and stick the collage together. Once all of the panels are complete, Ms Amor will stitch them together to create a wonderful birthday present for the school. The sessions will run as follows –

Session 1: Monday 9am to 11:45am (inc break) WILLOW

Session 2: Monday 1:15 – 3:00pm BLOSSOM

Session 3: Tuesday 9am to 11:45am (inc break) OAK

Session 4: Tuesday 1:15 – 3:00pm REDWOOD

You are warmly invited to join the children in making the altar cloth so that this becomes a whole school community project to be proud of. We do hope that you will be able to take part in this exciting project with us but please note that we are unable to accommodate any younger siblings and that this invitation is extended to adults only. If you would like to attend, please email Mrs McCall at [admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@chapmanslade.wilts.sch.uk) with your choice of session. It is very important that we know who is coming so that we can maintain accurate fire safety records.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Chapman', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Chapman