



## GARDEN SUBURB INFANT SCHOOL

Water Aid Week 23rd – 27th May 2016



Next week the whole school will be focussing on the work of, and raising money for, the charity WaterAid!

On **Monday** we will have an assembly to introduce the charity and to discuss the vital importance of water in all our lives. We hope that the children will begin to develop an awareness of the problems faced by some people, in different parts of the world, when clean, fresh water is not easily available.

Then over the week each class will be engaged in activities with a 'water' theme. A broad outline of the types of activities is attached.

One **Wednesday** morning we will be having lots of watery fun in the playground. Children will be carrying water, experimenting with floating and sinking, washing clothes by hand, and playing target games. We have asked for 6 parent helpers per class and a sign up sheet is outside the school.

**On this day please send your child to school in their own old clothes and send their uniform to school in a bag. They will get wet!**

On **Friday** we will be doing the WaterAid Pupil Pipeline Challenge. All the children will be involved in creating a 'human pipeline'. They will pass water, in a variety of containers, from one part of the playground to another *without spilling a drop!*

We hope that it will be an enjoyable week with lots of valuable learning happening!

You can help us by.....

- sending your child into school on Wednesday wearing old clothes, but bringing their uniform in a bag to change into. A change of underwear would also be useful.
- Children in Y1 and Y2 are asked to bring in a pair of socks which they will wash by hand. Reception children will wash dolls clothes from the classroom.
- lending us some old towels. Please label if you want them returned.
- talking to your child about the issues relating to access to clean water and good sanitation. You might want to look at the WaterAid website [www.wateraid.org](http://www.wateraid.org)

**Finally don't forget that, alongside the learning and the fun, we are trying to raise as much money as we can.**

**Please send your donations into the school office in an envelope marked 'WaterAid'**

**THANK YOU**



## Activities

These are the types of activities your children will be doing over the week

### Personal social and emotional learning

- School value of Respect and Responsibility
- Thinking about how we respect each other by caring for others needs.
- How can we respect the Environment.
- Developing empathy—what might it be like to be without water.
- Focus on sharing the earths resources

### Communication and literacy

- Discussing the issues relating to water and the lack of it.
- Reading water facts and poems
- Writing own poems
- Making posters in support of WaterAid.
- Learning and using descriptive language associated with water

### Mathematical learning

- Exploring , measuring and estimating capacity of a variety of containers
- Reading scales on side of containers; taking measurements
- Using appropriate mathematical language
- Problem solving with water theme.

### Scientific learning

- Performing simple tests relating to floating and sinking
- Making observations and predictions,
- Learning about the need that all living things have for water.
- Importance of hygiene and keeping clean

### Humanities

- Using atlases and globes. Identifying different places where there are more extreme weather conditions.
- Recognising and naming water sources - who does water belong to?

### Art and Design

- Using water colours to make own water scape pictures
- Looking at the Monet's Water Lilies and doing own versions.
- Designing and making water containers.

### Music

- Learning and singing Water Aid songs
- Understanding how to make musical 'watery' sounds

### PE

- Make up own water dances
- Control body movements effectively so that no water is spilt