



## WAVERLEY ABBEY C of E JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to share some exciting updates with you regarding our link with Thundu School in Malawi. Waverley Abbey has earnt a bronze award for the Global Neighbours scheme (run by the charity Christian Aid). The accreditation scheme celebrates schools that are helping pupils learn about global poverty and the Christian responsibility to tackle it, as well as giving them the tools to play a confident part in creating a fairer world.

We are thrilled to be recognised for the work we have done as a whole school community to raise awareness of the extreme inequalities across our globe and perhaps more importantly, the steps we can take to address these. Children in both communities have enjoyed sharing their lives through live links and have found out about how life is lived in another part of the world. Pupils have been learning about examples of people who faced adversity and overcame this to be courageous advocates for change.

We took part in Christian Aid's scheme because it gives us a practical way of living out our school value of hope and compassion. Our world is increasingly connected and our hope is for our children to grow as responsible global citizens who care about issues such as the environment and inequality.

Alison Brown, Global Neighbours Schools Programme Officer at Christian Aid, said: "The Global Neighbours Scheme was launched in partnership with the Church of England's Education Office with a vision of helping young people understand more about the inequalities in this world and helping them to become courageous advocates for those who have no voice. It's wonderful to see how staff and pupils at Waverley Abbey C of E Junior School have taken this to heart and are seeking to tackle injustice."

I am also writing to thank you for your generous support on Charities day last year. The money raised by the Global Citizenship Committee was spent on resources for Thundu School. We sent exercise books, stationery, PE equipment and t-shirts in the container, which arrived in Malawi this week. It really is fantastic to see the difference our link makes to the lives of children here and in Malawi.

Thank you again for your support. We look forward to building on our success this year.

Miss Bedford

Global Citizenship lead

















The Global Citizens on Charities day 2022

The children in Malawi receiving their supplies





















