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*Building our Community with Love, Forgiveness and Hope  
Growing an Inspirational Learning Community*

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## Global Neighbours

Dear Pupils and Parents,

We are writing to you to let you know about a new project we are starting this year at Cornerstone. It is called 'Global Neighbours' and is designed to empower children to active global citizens. It does this through developing our pupils' understanding of:

1. Global poverty and justice.
2. The responsibility to tackle injustice.
3. How they become courageous advocates for a fairer, more sustainable world.

Last term a group of pupils from Year 6 carried out an evaluation with Mr Clarke about where we as a school were doing well and generated new ideas for development. Their suggestions have been discussed, adapted and will form the basis for the project this year.

### 2019-2020 Action Plan

#### 1. 'Lunchtime Litter Pick' and 'Community Clean Up' (Wednesday).

*This will involve pupils being encouraged to pick up one piece of litter from the school site every Wednesday lunchtime. We would then like to encourage all families to collect and dispose of some litter on their journey home: either whilst walking home, or if families drive to spend a few minutes tidying their street.*

*This is linked to developing a more sustainable and responsible world.*

#### 2. 'Foodbank Friday'

*We collect kind donations from families for our local Fareham Food Bank at Harvest time, but have discussed how people can be hungry and struggle to have enough food throughout the year. So on Fridays before and after school we will have a Food Bank donations box on the playground. We have discussed that even if every family could donate one item each month that would be about another 150 items for the Food Bank every month.*

*This is linked to developing a fairer world.*

#### 3. 'Ecobricks Project'

*We are still researching this worthwhile project, to find out how we can make the bricks and how we can ensure they will be used in the future. We will provide further details about this later this term.*

*This is linked to developing a more sustainable world.*

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#### **4. Year 1 – Year 6 watch Newsround (2-3 times a week)**

*Last year's Year 6 group and the Global Neighbours Team think this is a valuable way of helping pupils develop an appropriate and more detailed understanding of news and issues in the wider world. Teachers will ensure that only suitable content is shared with different age groups. This may be something you would like to watch and discuss with your child at home.*

*This is linked to developing pupils understanding of being 'Global Neighbours'.*

We hope this introductory letter gives you and your children sufficient information to start supporting the different aspects of the 'Global Neighbours' Project. Together, as Team Cornerstone, we hope we can make a difference to the world now and to our pupils' understanding and desire to continue being 'Global Neighbours' in the future.

If you have any questions please to talk to one of the Team, or Mr Clarke who is supporting us with this project.

Yours sincerely,

Year 6: Mya, Charlie, Anna, Isaac and Scarlett

Year 5: Jilli, Thomas, Imogen, Callum and Emma.

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