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Dear Parents, Carers and members of our community,

Re: King Charles' Coronation – 'The Big Help Out' National Day of Volunteering

As part of the Coronation Celebrations, Britons are being encouraged to 'lend a hand' or provide help within their local communities on Monday 8th May 2023 (Bank Holiday) or arrange an alternative mutually convenient time.

The 'Big Help Out app' can be downloaded and many projects can be searched for by postcode, the type of activity needed or the organisations involved so depending on your skills there are plenty of chances to help others.

Springwood Federation has been working closely with Havant Borough Council who have a project requiring volunteers right in the heart of your community.

This exciting project will upgrade the Springwood children's play area and create a community orchard. For this to be successful, they need volunteers to upkeep the trees. There is a need for some physical ability, however, the orchard will be planted and it is the upkeep that we would be asking of the volunteers. This is a project that anyone could join in with, undertaking tasks such as watering plants, collecting fruit and checking on the progress of the trees with the support of HBC Tree Wardens and other experts.

Help and guidance to do this will be provided via Havant Borough Council.

You can take part by visiting https://havant.citizenlab.co/en-GB/folders/play-areas.

The deadline to apply is 26 April.

We would love to hear all about the ways you have volunteered your time to make a positive difference to the Springwood community.

Best wishes

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