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Dear Parent,

CONFIRMATION 2023

Would you like to consider supporting your child in being confirmed at St Helen's Church during the Summer Term? The Confirmation Service is likely to be one Sunday before the end of their final term at Witton Church Walk School.

At a Confirmation Service the Bishop asks the candidates to make a public declaration of their faith in Jesus and acknowledge their membership of a church congregation: in our case, of course, St Helen's Church. Witton Church Walk School has nourished your child's Christian faith but with secondary school and teenage years ahead he or she will need the support of their local church and Confirmation marks this significant transition.

Preparation for the Confirmation Service comes in two parts: from Easter I would expect children to attend Sunday morning worship and be part of a weekly preparation group exploring the Service of Holy Communion and what it means to belong to a church family.

St Helen's hour-long Sunday morning Communion Service is at 9.15am every week. The preparation group would be weekly, in school and at a time and place best for everyone. It would last 45 minutes.

Please let the School know if your child is interested in being confirmed. And if you have any questions I would be very happy to try an answer them directly.

Your sincerely,

Andrew Ridley