THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are very excited to announce that Bishop Sarah is coming to our Deanery on **Sunday 20th November** for a Confirmation service and we would like to invite your child to be involved!

Confirmation is a special church service in which a person confirms the promises that were made when they were baptised. If your child was baptised as a baby or toddler, you and the godparents made these promises on their behalf. Your child may now be ready to affirm these promises for themselves. At a confirmation service, friends and family will be there to promise to support your child and celebrate their confirmation with you and with them.

If your child would like to be confirmed but has not yet been baptised, we can also arrange a baptism by the Bishop in the Confirmation service.

We will be preparing candidates for confirmation during school hours before and after half term. Preparation will be fun and will encourage your child to explore and grow in faith as they take another step on their Christian journey.

If you would like your child to be confirmed, please complete **the online form** by **Monday 10th October**.

If you would like more information about confirmation or baptism in the confirmation service, please contact Rev'd Stephen Martin on **01207 507730**.

Rev'd Lesley Sutherland

Priest in Charge All Saints Lanchester and Burnhope St John