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Dear Parents / Carers,

### Harvest Festival

We will be having our Harvest celebration in school for all the children on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September. This year we have decided to support two of our local food banks.

Research has found that 4.7 million Britain's could be described as being in food poverty and that 1 in 5 of the population are living below the poverty line. There will no doubt be families in our local area that are struggling to make ends meet and to feed their families properly. In 2016/17, The Trussell Trust's Foodbank Network provided 1,182,954 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, over 430,000 went to children.

We are looking for food donations that have a long shelf life, as out of date food cannot be distributed. Here is a list of suitable food items:

Tinned Cold / Hot meats	Tinned vegetables
Cereals	Pasta sauce
Rice (long grain or basmati)	Teabags
Tinned tomatoes	Tinned fruit
Rice pudding	Custard
Toilet rolls and toiletries	Coffee
Tinned fish, tuna, sardines	Jam
Long life milk	Hot chocolate
UHT Milk	Biscuits

They currently have enough stocks of pasta, baked beans and soups.

Many thanks to you all in advance,

Mrs N Brannon  
Head Teacher



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