



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

**Harvest Thanksgiving – Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October at 9am.**

We are holding this year's Harvest Thanksgiving on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> October at 9am. It will be led by Key Stage 2, but all the children will sing a whole school song together.

With the intention of keeping our school community safe and well, we have two possible scenarios for how the Harvest celebration will take place.

In the event of **dry weather**, we will hold our Harvest celebration outside in the amphitheatre area near the Year 1 and 2 classrooms. Parents are welcome to join us and **all** the school will be sat in class groups to enjoy the celebrations. Parents will be asked to stand in a designated area away from the children.

In the event of **wet weather**, we will have to move the celebration inside and unfortunately parents will **not** be able to join us.

We want to celebrate our Harvest Festival with a centrepiece made up of the food contributions children bring into school. In previous years, we have received some very generous gifts including gift hampers and beautifully presented homemade cakes and it is lovely for the children to be able to see their own gifts displayed.

Please can all contributions be brought into school on **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> October** with the children, so they can be organised for the following day.

We are grateful for all donations, however small, which will be donated to a local foodbank to help the most vulnerable in our local community. Food packets and tins, as well as nappies and toiletries are welcome. Please note attached a helpful list. The local foodbank will very kindly be coming to school to collect our Harvest donations, so we will not be asking for volunteers this year.

Many thanks in advance.

Mrs P Birley

**The foodbank are in need of:**

Tinned Fruit

Tinned Carrots

Tinned Sweetcorn

Tinned Tomatoes

Sponge Puddings

Tinned or Packet Custard

Tinned or Packet Macaroni Cheese

Biscuits

Chocolate, Sweets, Christmas treats

Toiletries (Soap, Deodorant, Shower gel, Shampoo – Mens and Ladies)

**They do not need:**

Dried Pasta

Tuna fish

UHT milk

Baked Beans

Soup