

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Autumn Term Newsletter (3)

### **Harvest**

We will be having Harvest assemblies with the children in school next week, and will deliver the traditional messages about this time of year. These assemblies are just for the children. It is traditional to talk to the children about helping others, and so we will be collecting in school next week (Monday 21<sup>st</sup>-Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October) tinned and dried food which will be donated to the local food bank. If you wish to contribute an item to this then please send it in next week.

### **Children in Need**

Last year the children asked whether we could support children in need this year, which we will be doing. Children in Need day is on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. The school council are meeting this week, and will consider what they would like to do to support this large charity event: I have no doubt that it will include some kind of non-uniform day, but further details will be confirmed after their meeting.

### **Christmas dates**

The Christmas Nativity plays for Y1 and Y2 will take place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.15pm and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am. We ask you not to bring younger siblings to either of these performances: we will offer a crèche during the performance on 12<sup>th</sup> December, and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> will be strictly adults only.

The reception classes will do a Christmas show for you on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. We will offer a crèche during this performance, and we ask you not to bring any younger siblings to the performance.

KS2 children do not do a Christmas show. At this time I do not know whether we will be able to offer a Carol Service for parents to attend. Not only have we lost Mrs Cobb who was our musical leader in this respect, but as the school is getting bigger we will struggle to fit parents in! I will let you know after half term whether this is a possibility.

### **Willow Class**

Sadly Mrs Matautia, the class TA in Willow, is leaving us at half term. She has secured a teaching post at a London University and we congratulate her for this and wish her well. Mrs Briggs will be taking over as class TA.

A reminder that next Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October is a non-pupil day.

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