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Friday 10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Festival 2025

Autumn time has arrived and once again it is the time of year when we look forward to our Harvest Festival celebration although this year it will be for children only in school and will be led by our wonderful Collective Worship Assistants.

As part of our tradition, we are once again collecting donations to support those in need of emergency food parcels or a hot meal. Your generous contributions will be shared with Padley (Derbyshire) and Hope for Belper, who will distribute them to local individuals and families in need.

Hope for Belper have specifically requested tinned carrots, garden peas, sweetcorn and green beans, tinned bolognaise, chili, mild curry and meatballs, packets of rice, sponge puddings, fruit cocktail and rice pudding. They have shared that unfortunately they cannot store and do not need any more baked beans, tinned fish, tinned soup or packets of pasta.

The Padley Centre has provided a wish list to guide your donations which you will find on the reverse of this letter.

If you are able to contribute, please bring your donations to the school office between Monday 13th October and Friday 17th October ready for collection/delivery following our harvest service on Monday 20th October.

Your continued support is deeply appreciated and makes a real difference in our community.

Warm regards,

Mrs Carvell
Deputy Headteacher & Collective Worship Lead



Our Harvest Wishlist:

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| ☐ Instant noodles/noodle pots | ☐ Tinned potatoes |
| ☐ Rice pots | ☐ Tinned tomatoes |
| ☐ Microwave rice | ☐ Brown sauce |
| ☐ Tuna snack pots | ☐ Tinned meat meals |
| ☐ Tinned tuna | ☐ Tinned soup |
| ☐ Cereal (up to 700g boxes) | ☐ Cooking sauces (jars) |
| ☐ Coffee | ☐ Snack pot porridge |
| ☐ UHT milk | ☐ Kitchen roll |
| ☐ Sugar | ☐ Toilet roll |
| ☐ Custard | ☐ Washing powder / gel |
| ☐ Tinned fruit | ☐ Eggs |
| ☐ Baked beans | ☐ Self-raising flour |
| ☐ Tinned vegetables
(carrots, peas, sweetcorn) | ☐ Golden syrup |

There are some items we don't need / cannot accept

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| ☒ Fresh veg | ☒ Medical products |
| ☒ Bags of Dry Pasta | ☒ Tinned lentils and pulses |
| ☒ Bags of Dry Rice | ☒ Used toiletries |
| ☒ Household cleaning products | |

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