



Wednesday 16th September 2026

Harvest Festival 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As a school, we will be celebrating **Harvest Festival** during the week commencing **5th October**. Alongside collecting food donations for a local Warrington Community Grocery, children across the school will be taking part in a range of learning activities designed to help them understand the importance of harvest and why it continues to be celebrated today.

Through assemblies, class activities and discussion, children will learn about:

- What harvest means and why it is important.
- How harvest is celebrated in different cultures and countries around the world.
- Where our food comes from and the journey it takes from farm to table.
- The importance of gratitude, thankfulness and not taking food for granted.
- How communities can work together to support those in need.

Harvest provides a wonderful opportunity for children to explore themes such as **seasonal change, food, community and thankfulness**. It also enables us to nurture our school values by encouraging children to show concern for others and develop a greater awareness of the challenges some families face within our local community. Of course, no Harvest celebration would be complete without enjoying some of the many lovely harvest songs that help bring this special time of year to life!

As part of our celebrations, we are asking families, if they are able, to donate cupboard essentials and non-perishable food items. These donations will be given to a local Warrington Community Grocery, which supports local families by providing affordable food and practical help during the ongoing cost-of-living challenges. The grocery enables families to access a wide range of fresh, frozen and cupboard food items at significantly reduced prices, helping them to stretch household budgets while ensuring they have nutritious food on the table. We fully understand that circumstances differ for every family and appreciate that, due to current financial pressures, donating may not be possible for everyone.

Below is a list of items welcomed by the Community Grocery. If possible, we would be grateful if you could consider donating one or more of these items. Donations can be brought into school throughout the week beginning 5th October and given to your child's class teacher, who will place them in our collection trolley ready for delivery.

Your generosity will not only help us celebrate the harvest season but will also inspire our children to reflect on how fortunate they are and to recognise the importance of helping others who may need a helping hand.

Please contact your class teacher if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Mrs Farrar
PSHE Lead

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Help us support local families in our community

We are collecting non-perishable food items to donate to local food banks.
All donations are very much appreciated.

Small donations
make a
big difference

What can you donate?



Tinned vegetables



Tinned tomatoes



Tinned fruit



Breakfast cereals



Pasta



Tinned meat (e.g. tuna, chicken, ham)



Tinned beans



Pasta sauce



Rice



Instant mash



Long life milk



Tea



Coffee



Sugar



Toiletries (e.g. shampoo, soap, toothpaste, shower gel)

Why it makes a difference



Helps local families who are struggling with the cost of living.



Provides essential food and supplies to those in need.



Brings hope and relief during a difficult time.



Shows our community care and support each other.

Together, we can make a real difference!



Thank you
for supporting
our collection!

SHARING
TODAY
FOR A BRIGHTER
TOMORROW

A KINDER
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