



## Fairholme Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

Over the next 2 weeks, we will be celebrating **Harvest Festival** in school. This is a time for giving thanks for the food and provisions we have, whilst also remembering those who are in need.

We are aware that families in our local community struggle to make ends meet at times, and we are keen to use this opportunity to support them. We will, therefore, be having a **Harvest Festival Collection** to support our local foodbanks. We have quite a specific list of items that our foodbanks require, and hope that you will be able to support by bringing donations of the following non-perishable items which have a long shelf life:



Longlife UHT milk	Tinned meat or fish	Nappies
Tinned tomatoes	Tinned vegetables	Baby wipes/toiletries
Cooking sauces in jars/tins	Baked beans	Cleaning products
Rice	Tinned fruit	Laundry powder
Pasta	Tinned desserts	Fabric conditioner
Tinned chickpeas, beans, etc.	Tea	Toiletries
Lentils	Coffee	Toothbrushes and toothpaste
Longlife juice cartons	Fruit squash drink	

**Please bring donations to school from Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October and give them to your child's class teacher or leave them with the school office.**

If you are a family in need or struggling, we do have other ways in which we can offer support, including providing foodbank vouchers, help with purchasing school uniform, and referrals to other agencies and charities, as well as support from within school. We also have staff who are available to listen and work out ways of working through tricky times. If you would like help, please get in touch with Miss Bridger or Mrs Bird, via the school office.

We will be using this time in school to reflect on thankfulness and kindness, as well as resilience in times of difficulty. We are very fortunate to work with families that give generously at this time of year; we appreciate all your donations which will be used to support others in our local community, and thank you in advance for your kindness, generosity and support.

Kind regards

Mrs Gemma Harris (Headteacher) and all the staff at Fairholme Primary School