

17th September 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: All Years - Harvest Celebration

We will be holding Harvest Festival services on next week in year group bubbles – this is an important event in the school calendar. Year 10 and 11 will have a shortened version of the assembly in their normal sports hall assembly in Monday and Tuesday morning respectively. Year 7, 8 and 9 will have separate year group assemblies on Thursday 24th September in the hall. All students will be asked to wear a face covering and we will ensure the hall is well ventilated. The Head girl team are delivering the assembly and the theme is generosity. It will not be the same without our usual singing of “Cauliflowers Fluffy”, and “Autumn Days” but we are delighted to have Father Richard say a few words as well as have the senior house prefects announce the current House standings. The Co-Heads will deliver the traditional Holt prayer and reading at the end of the assembly.

As part of our celebrations, each House creates a display using produce the students have donated. The displays are linked to a theme and this year it is the unsung heroes of the pandemic. The Year 11 House prefects will assemble the displays. It is a competition and House points will be awarded to recognise the effort that has gone into creating the displays.

On Friday, we dismantle our displays, and distribute the food to the local community. Due to the pandemic, we cannot deliver produce to our elderly neighbours so this year we are donating to Wokingham Food Bank, and to ReadiFood in Reading. Both of these organisations are supporting families who have found the recent months very difficult, and we hope that our school’s donations will contribute to their efforts.

We would greatly appreciate it if each student could bring in one of the below items, requested by the food banks, to donate to our Harvest celebrations.

Wokingham Food Bank list:

- Long Life Milk
- Sugar
- Washing Powder/Liquid (Small Packs)
- Adult Toothbrushes
- Men’s Deodorant
- Tinned Peas
- Tinned Carrots
- Hand Soap
- Hot Dogs

ReadiFood list:

- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned potatoes or instant mash
- Tinned ready meals (Curry, meatballs, hotdogs, chilli etc.)
- Size 5 nappies
- Baby wipes
- Biscuits inc breakfast biscuits
- Small bags of rice
- Cooking oil
- Pulses

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity at this time, and we wish you a happy and healthy harvest time.

Yours sincerely



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