



13<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

### **Harvest**

Next week is our Harvest Festival however, again we cannot do things as we normally would. All children will be singing Harvest Festival songs and taking part in Harvest activities across the week. As part of our Harvest fundraising the children have asked that we collect food for the East Durham Trust Food Bank. It would be wonderful if you could send one or two items for our collection such as tins, bags of pasta, washing up liquid, or some fruit or vegetables. Please send these in with your child before Friday next week when the collection will be picked up by the Trust.

### **Halloween and School Uniform**

Next Friday is Halloween Day and all children are welcome to come to school in (appropriate) Halloween costumes if they wish. If not in costume children should wear full school uniform. Please do not feel you need to spend lots of money on costumes, as children will have the opportunity to make mask, hats etc. during the week.

### **Health and Safety**

This was information sent to you this time last year. I am sorry to say nothing has changed! Please park and drive with great care near school sites! and do not park on yellow zigzag lines! We continue to have many concerns about parking and traffic on both sites at drop off and pick up times, especially along Moor Lane. Please take great care and look out for children – there have been several near misses this week yet again. I have been in touch with the council and police and they will be in attendance when possible to monitor the situation.

### **Poppies**

This year we will be selling poppies in aid of the Royal British Legion when we return to school. There is no set charge for poppies. Again all children will have the opportunity to make poppies in school.

We return to school Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, as Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November is a Teacher Training day. If anyone needs to contact me over the holidays, I will have the school mobile phone with me. The school mobile number is 07342075478.

Regards

*Marie-Louise Binks*

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