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Whole school half termly focus:

I am learning to support my friends and understand their needs during work and play

Whole school Christian Value for this half term:

Friendship - kind hands, listening ears and looking eyes. I am learning to be a good friend.



Dear Parents/Guardians

The term is racing on and now we are getting ready for our Harvest preparations - Dragonfly Class will start learning their class poem as from Monday - we really look forward to their performance in the church. All children will be performing as a class and our Music Leader, Mrs Gosney, is busy preparing our whole school Harvest songs. Don't forget - come and **join us in the church at 2pm on Friday 6th October**. Doors will open just before 2pm for parents as we need time to settle the children in to their positions. All children will go home from the church once our Harvest Service is over.

Harvest Collections - The Lord's Larder

From next Friday, all children are invited to use their 'kind, helping hands' to bring in goods for the Lord's Larder Food Bank. Matt Callaghan led our Monday Collective Worship Assembly this week and the children know the purpose of this charity work - it would be great if each family could bring in a bag of non-perishable foods (tins, boxes, bags, jars or plastic bottles - beans, soup, cereal, tea, rice, pasta, sauces etc). We are collecting all of this from Friday 29th September. (All goods are to be brought in to the school hall when the gates open at 8:35am each morning.)

Collection mornings are from Friday 29th September to Friday 6th October.



Kinds hands

Thank you to **Alfie** for choosing to help another child who was feeling unwell at break time; thank you to **Jacob** for choosing to block off a small area of the playground that had wasps; thank you to **Ruby H** for offering to play with some of our youngest children and thank you to **Christopher and Owen** for rescuing some toys! Lots of responsible acts of kindness again this week.

Very well done to Kacey in Year 4 who has been chosen for our new role model celebration board. First one of the year.



Wonderful Workers

Congratulations to Morgan in Year 3 - I loved your word choice in your description. Well done to Hedgehog Class for asking challenging questions in RE this week.



Dojo Winners of the fortnight



Amelia, Ella F, TJ, Evie-Rae, Ella R, Ellie, Tilly, Sasha, Freya P, Ruby B
 Amy, Ronnie, Aidan, Jaydon R, Morley and Megan.

Friendship Role Models of the fortnight 🏆🏆🏆

Lexi, Harriet, Kacey, Grace, Amelia, Freya S, Morley and Liam

We are very proud of you all. 😊



Congratulations to Mrs Rozycki who is our new Global Citizenship Leader - more news coming from her next term. She will be holding an information session for the children, staff and Governing Board in Autumn Term B.



Diary Dates:

SEPT:

Tues 26th - Football Tournament at KA school at 12:30pm - 3pm (More details coming from Miss Steninger our school's sports leader.)

Wed 27th - Governing Board Meeting at 5:30pm in our school hall

Thur 28th - whole school trip to Dorchester Museum and the Roman Town House. (Mrs Bendell - trip leader)

Fri 29th - 1st day for your harvest food collection. (See over page.)

OCT:

Mon 2nd - harvest food collections in all week.

Tues 3rd - Computing workshops for Butterflies and Hedgehogs. (Miss Middleton - Computing Leader with Miss Britton from SCC)

Wed 4th - Harvest Service **Rehearsal** at 11:00-noon in the village church. (All classes only)

Thur 5th - World Teacher Day (special staff lunch provided as a thank you to all.)

Fri 6th - World Smile Day 

Thurs 5th - Gemma from NSPCC visiting KS1 at 9:20 - 9:50 + KS2 at 9:55 - 10:30. Years 5 & 6 pupils will also have a workshop at 11:00 - noon. Theme - keeping ourselves safe and well.

Fri 6th - WHOLE SCHOOL OPEN DAY FOR ALL PARENTS, FRIENDS & NEW FAMILIES
- 9-11am
See new banner & fliers.

Fri 6th - our WHOLE SCHOOL HARVEST SERVICE in the village church at 2pm.



Hoods



Please can your child wear a hooded coat to school - we do try to let the children have an outdoor play every day even when it is raining. (The children say it's more fun when there are puddles 😊)



Shoe boxes

Keep collecting them at home please at this stage - more details coming in our next letter. (Boxes with separate lids please - not attached to the box.)



Please can all parents ensure they keep our office staff up to date with any changes in mobile phone numbers. It is vital that your contact details are correct. Thank you.



Parents' Celebration Assemblies:

(2:45 in our school hall - see our full year planner on our website - tab on left hand side 'Parent/Pupil Assemblies')

*We will text if there is a time change.

Friday 29th Sept - Hedgehog Class

Friday 13th Oct - Ladybird Class

Friday 10th Nov - Dragonfly Class

Here's to another fun fortnight.

Mrs Alison Shearer