

13<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Ashlands Harvest Celebrations and Church Service**  
**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

**Harvest Activity Morning**

On the morning of Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October, the children are going to be enjoying a range of practical and imaginative activities linked to our understanding of Harvest. This will be a fun morning but with time to reflect on the importance of this time of year. The children will be learning in their House Teams.

**Church Service at St Bartholomew's Church 2pm**

Our traditional Harvest Church Service will be held at St Bartholomew's Church at 2pm. Each class is busy preparing a short song or poem to perform and you are warmly invited to join us for the service. This is always a busy service, and ***we would ask that you look out for the reserved seating as we need to fit all the children at the front.***

**Food Donations**

Once again, we will be supporting the local charity 'Be a Good Neighbour'. This is a local 'bank' of non-perishable food operated by volunteers from Crewkerne Community Church and locals in the area. Food is given out to help local people. We would like the children to bring in a non-perishable food item that we can donate as a school. Our aim is to make sure we feed as many people as possible! We will collect the food items on the day of the Harvest Festival and make a display for the children to add to in the entrance hall. We will then take these to the food bank.

The items they're currently in need of - UHT milk, soups, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned vegetables, tea bags, toiletries, pasta sauces, cereal, biscuits and pasta.

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October: Harvest Lanterns – A Celebration of Light and Unity**

As part of our creative Harvest celebrations this year, children are invited to make beautiful lanterns using recycled jars, bottles or paper. These lanterns can be decorated with symbols from Diwali, Hanukkah, and Advent — three festivals from different faiths that all celebrate light, hope, and togetherness. Through this activity, we aim to reflect our school vision of "Love of one another", encouraging children to explore and appreciate the rich diversity of traditions in our community.



If you have any questions about our Harvest celebrations, please do not hesitate to ask your child's class teacher or our lovely ladies in the office.

Thank you for your continued support.



Miss Nicola Ball  
Headteacher