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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Important Dates for the Diary.

- ✓ Week beginning 6th October Harvest Festival Collection (see below.)
- ✓ Wednesday 8th October Y6 Class mass 9:30am in church.
- ✓ Wednesday 22nd October School Photographs.
- ✓ Friday 24th October INSET Day for school staff only.
- ✓ Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October HALF TERM.
- ✓ 20th to 23rd October, Parents' Evenings.

CAFOD Fast Day and Harvest Festival Collection.

To mark CAFOD Fast Day and celebrate Harvest Festival this year we will be having a collection to support our local 'Foodbank.' It would be great if each child could bring in just one item for the collection; here is a shopping list of the most needed items: Thank you in anticipation for your generous contributions. All items should be brought into school by Monday 13th October.

Foodbank Shopping List:

Cereal
Coffee and Tea Bags
Tins of Tuna, Baked Beans,
Spaghetti and Sweetcorn
Rice and Pasta
'Smash' dried/ instant potato
Toiletries and Toilet Rolls
Chocolate
Sugar
Tinned Meat
Cling Film
Marmalade. Biscuits

PE Kits.

Thank you for all your support in adhering to our PE kit policy.

- School PE kit of white T shirt, navy/ blue shorts and black pumps.
- Navy tracksuit or jogging suit.
- White or grey socks or tights.

*****Please note: no other sports clothing is allowed for PE.*****

PE Days and Times. *Please ensure children come to school in their school PE kit.*

Nursery: Tuesday and Friday.

Reception: Friday.

Year 1: Wednesday and Friday.

Year 2: Tuesday and Thursday.

Year 3: Tuesday and Friday.

Year 4: Tuesday and Thursday.

Year 5: Wednesday and Friday.

Year 6: Tuesday and Thursday (swimming.)

Healthy Packed Lunches and Snacks.

It is the school's policy to encourage healthy eating during the week and to have a 'treat day' each **Friday** when less healthy items can be included in lunches. We would ask you to support this by ensuring that less healthy items eg crisps and chocolate biscuits are only included on a Friday. Suggestions for healthy packed lunches:

Sandwiches, salad items, pasta/ rice, fruit, vegetables (eg carrot sticks), fruit juice, water, cereal bars. **NB Sweets should never be part of a balanced lunch!**

In addition, a reminder that all children are provided with toast as a snack at morning breaktime. Fruit and cereal bars are the only other snacks permitted.

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Holidays taken during term time

We are unable to provide permission for pupils taking time off from school for a holiday but we do understand that families sometimes have no option in this matter.

We are continuing to issue penalty notices for holidays taken during term time and so once again we would urge families to book trips during school holiday times. It is important that families continue to let us know, as soon as possible, if their child(ren) are going to absent from school for any reason.

Reminder: School Day Times.

- ✓ For pupils in **Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3** pupils the school day will begin at **8:45am**.
- ✓ For pupils in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** the school day will begin at **8:50am**.
We expect all children to try their best to be in school on time so that teachers are able to begin their classroom activities as soon as possible.
- ✓ **If the weather is poor, pupils in Y1 to Y6** are able to come into school and go to class from around 8:40am.
- ✓ For pupils in **Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3** pupils the school day will end at **3:15pm**.
- ✓ For pupils in **Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6** the school day will end at **3:20pm**.

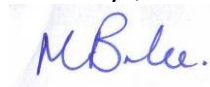
Attendance.

Attendance %	RAG	Intervention	Lead Responsibility
100% Attendance is Excellent		Rewards and Praise.	Class Teacher Pastoral Staff Senior Leader/ Headteacher
99% - 97% Attendance is Good		Rewards and Encouragement	Pastoral Staff Senior Leader/ Headteacher
95%-97%		Regular reminders of expectations (97%.)	Class Teacher/ Headteacher
95% - 90% Attendance is a Concern		Talk to pupils & contact parent/ carers. Meetings with Headteacher. Return to school discussions. 'Safe and well' safeguarding visits. Early intervention EWO. Persistent absence warning letters.	Class Teacher Pastoral Staff Senior Leader/ Headteacher EWO
Below 90% Attendance is a Serious Concern		Regular next action planning meetings. Safe and well safeguarding visits. Action Plans. Legal intervention.	Senior Leader/ Headteacher Pastoral staff Governors EWO

Keep an eye on our website for updates and further information.

Website: www.ourladyoftheassumption.co.uk

As always, thank you for your continued support and enjoy the last few days of the holiday.



M Burke. Headteacher.

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