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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a very surprising and sudden, chilly turn it has taken! Please ensure you send your child to school with a suitable coat, we go outside in all weathers and the children do need a warm and waterproof coat...despite what they may think! If you need a new winter coat for your child, please get in touch with me as we have plenty of new and nearly new available. Thank you very much for all of your harvest donations, these really will make a difference to the lives of local families in our local community.

A date for your diaries- **Saturday 4th November** we are holding a garden and grounds tidy up day. If you are able to spend an hour or two, helping us get the school garden tidy please let us know.

It has been a very busy first term back and I hope you all get a chance to rest and recharge over the half term break.

Miss K Aldred - Headteacher

Uniform- Winter uniform

Now that the weather has taken a slightly cooler turn I thought it would be helpful to remind everyone of our winter uniform guidance. The guidance can be found on our website [here](#) I have begun to see increasing numbers of children deviate from our school uniform, for example wearing trainers, carrying rucksacks instead of book bags, wearing nail varnish and hair accessories, unsuitable for a school day. I would appreciate your support in ensuring the children are appropriately dressed, at all times. If you require any second-hand uniform, please get in touch as we have a good stock available.

Autumn/Winter Lunch Menu

After the half-term holiday, the children's lunch menu will change to the autumn/winter set menu, which can be found on our school website [here](#)

Whilst Twelve 15, our caterers, endeavour to stick to the advertised menu, occasionally stock availability can mean a last-minute change is necessary but, any substitutions are usually very close to the menu shown.

Mufti Day – wear your own clothes to school

We will be holding a mufti day on **Friday 3rd November**. The children are allowed to wear their own clothes to school that day, in exchange for a £1 donation. All monies raised will go directly to FOBSA for their Christmas fair events.

The children will still have a 'normal' day in school on that day so please ensure sensible shoes, coat and attire!

Key Dates

18/10 Harvest Assembly – Yr 1 09.15
19/10 Harvest Assembly - Yr 2 09.15
20/10 FOBSA Cake and Fancy-Dress Sale
20/10 Last day of school- 3.10pm finish

23-27 Oct Half term

30/10 Children return to school
03/11 **Mufti Day**
03/11 FOBSA Party Night
03/11 Happy Bags collection
04/11 Garden tidy up day
w/c 4/12 Christmas performances (details to follow)
15/12 Last day of term
Full term dates can be found [here](#)

Christmas Craft Fair -Saturday 11th November

Very excitingly we have been invited to attend a special community craft fair on Saturday 11th November, to sell our school garden produce. We will be selling jams, pickles and lots of garden crafts the children have helped create, to both raise funds for the school garden and a local charity *Harry and Ed's Aspiration Raising Trust*. This is a local charity that has supported many of our children, over a number of years and we are delighted to be able to help them in this fundraising activity. Further details can be found on the attached flyer. We look forward to seeing you there, if you're able to pop along!

FOBSA

FOBSA have lots of events coming up over the next few days and weeks and we very much appreciate your support. They will be holding a cake sale and second-hand fancy-dress costume sale, after school, this Friday. Any and all cake donations are welcome at drop off on Friday morning and fancy-dress costumes, at any point this week!