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Dear Parent/Carer,

Please can I ask that parents read the official communications such as the newsletter and messages on Classdojo to find out what is happening in school. There was confusion this morning regarding the photographs because of communication between parents on Whatsapp. If you are unsure on anything please ring or communicate with the school directly for clarification.

Photographs today were taken of all the children in school, sibling groups of children in school and before school sibling groups that include children who were not in school. We will send the proofs out as soon as possible. As you know they make great presents for grandparents and other relatives. There is no obligation to purchase any photographs and for clarity school may receive some commission, but the main reason for arranging the photographs is many people like them. Please carefully follow the instructions from Red Apple Photography about ordering and paying for any you choose to order.

You will be able to book a parent evening slot for you child directly using the following link. <a href="https://www.picktime.com/thurlaston">https://www.picktime.com/thurlaston</a> Please carefully choose the correct group and day so you will be offered the correct teacher and times. Year 1 will have their parents evenings on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30 to 6pm: Year 2 on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October from 3:30 to 7pm and the other year groups will be able to choose either night. Please select Class 3 for year 3 and 4 and Class 4 for years 5 and 6. Reception children have already had their parents evening.

School Census Day is on 6<sup>th</sup> October. On Census day information is collected from school which drives much of the funding. All children in class 1 and 2 will be ordered a Universal Infant Free School Meal on that day as the number of infant meals taken on that day drives the funding. If you do not wish us to order your child a meal please let me know before then. The meal on that day has been changed by the kitchen to Sausage and Chips followed by icecream.

If you believe you may be entitled to means tested Free School Meals (whether you get a Universal Infant Free School Meal or not) I would encourage you to apply. School receives some extra funding for these children and in turn the child will be entitled to subsidised individual/group instrument lessons and no money will be requested for trips. To apply <a href="https://leicestershire.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy/">https://leicestershire.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/Synergy/</a>

## PTA AGM

The PTA AGM is taking place at school on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 6:30. We have had one nomination for Chair-Tilley Graves; Vice Chair- Laura Barley; Treasurer – Marie Milner-Armstrong and none for Secretary. The filled positions will not be voted on but we are looking for a secretary or a couple of people to share the role. At the meeting information will be shared about how much has been raised and the activities that have been completed.

The School Harvest Service in church is on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm. Please send the requested items (should you wish to make a donation) from Monday onwards for the Fosse Villages Food Bank. All are invited to our service to celebrate God's goodness to us at harvest time. The children will be taking part in the service but it is not a performance.

The year 5/6 football team is entered in a Danone Small Schools Cup on Friday at Brockington College. Mrs Andrews will kindly be managing the team on the afternoon. Letters will be sent next week to the children who have been selected for the team from those who are available.

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Yours sincerely

**Gavin Beetham** 

## **Provisional Dates for your Diary**

30<sup>th</sup> September - Harvest Service in Church at 2pm 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evenings 29<sup>th</sup> November – KS2 Pantomime 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Nativity 13<sup>th</sup> December –KS1 Party 16<sup>th</sup> December – Carol Service in Church at 2pm.