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Harvest Festival Assembly– 4th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that Green Ridge will be presenting our Harvest Festival assembly, which will take place in the school hall between 9.15-10.00am on Thursday, 4th October.

We are warmly inviting parents, carers and family members to join us for the Harvest Festival. The assembly will be led by our Year Three children but will involve all children from Reception, Year One and Year Two as well and will include some readings and some songs that the children have been learning about Harvest time. To manage space in the hall, we do ask that no more than two parents/carers or family members come along. Younger siblings are also welcome, although we do ask that buggies are left outside the main Reception area. Revd. Gareth Lane, vicar on Berryfields, will also join us for the Harvest Festival and will lead a short prayer at the end for those who wish to participate.

At Harvest time we think about those who may be less fortunate and in need of food or shelter. As we did last year, Green Ridge are partnering with [Aylesbury Foodbank](http://www.aylesburyfoodbank.org.uk). Like the Foodbank, we don't think anyone in our community should have to face going hungry. That's why Aylesbury Foodbank provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis. They are part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by The Trussell Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK. Harvest is a time when we can show our children how we support and help one another in times of need.

Attached to this letter you will see a range of items which the Aylesbury Foodbank would be very grateful to receive as Harvest donations from Green Ridge which can they be distributed to those in our community who need it most. We ask that children bring any donations on **Wednesday, 3rd October** so that we are able to make our Harvest display in readiness for our assembly the next morning. Please make sure all food packets are still within date or, better still, have a long-remaining 'use by' date. Any donations can be brought into school and handed to your child's Class Teacher. Please feel free to decorate your packages and donations however you wish!

Thank you in advance for any donations which you may make this year for this worthwhile cause.

Yours faithfully,

Mr. Aaron Wanford
Headteacher

