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Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Harvest Festival will be happening in school on **Friday 16th October 2026**. The children are encouraged to bring in food to donate and we will be thinking about being thankful for all the wonderful things we have, as well as reflecting on how we can help others with less than us.

Our harvest gifts this year, as we do each year, will be given to Basingstoke Foodbank, a local charity which aims to supply 3 days of emergency food to people in the local community who find themselves in need. Illness, redundancy, rising fuel prices, changes to benefits, or any number of emergencies can mean that families suddenly find themselves unable to afford food. It is estimated that 1 in 5 parents regularly go hungry in order to feed their children. Hatch Warren Infants can help!

Please consider buying a few items from the list below which has been sent to us by the Foodbank. All food donated will be put to good use feeding local families in need. Please send in any donations on **Friday 16th October** with your child.

Thank you so much for your support!

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| • Tinned Fruit | • Tinned Tomatoes | • Custard |
| • Tinned Veg | • Cooking Sauces | • Puddings |
| • Tinned Meat | • Milk (UHT) | • Crisps/Snacks/Treats |
| • Tinned Spaghetti | • Fruit Juice (UHT) | • Toiletries |

