# Friday Post 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## **Dear Parent/Carer**

#### **Harvest Festival and Welly Walk**

On Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October, between 9-10am, The Oaktree School will be holding their annual Harvest Celebration. We are looking forward to parents being able to join in our Harvest Celebration on the school playground, weather permitting. If the weather turns out to be too wet we will hold our Harvest Celebration in the School hall and unfortunately, we will not be able to invite parents in to join us.

During the lead up to our Harvest Celebration, we invite our parents and children to bring in a small non-perishable food donation. This can either be tinned or dried food. These contributions are voluntary, however if you feel that you are able to donate one item, we will be collecting these from  $16^{th} - 20^{th}$  October 2023.

As last year, we will be donating the food we collect to Woking Foodbank. Woking Foodbank has been an incredible source of support for many families and individuals, particularly, during recent challenging times. Examples of food that they ask for are -

- Mashed potato
- Canned Ham
- Chick Peas
- Canned Vegetables
- Chocolate spread
- Brown /Tomato Sauce
- Cereal
- Sponge Puddings
- Rice pudding

Following on from the Harvest Celebration, the children will also be taking part in a sponsored Welly Walk to raise money for resources across the school. Please send your child into school in their school uniform and if they do not have wellies in school, please ensure they bring in a named pair on the day.

We would like to invite friends and family to sponsor the children to complete the walk. A sponsor form will be in your child's book bag next week. To make things easier for parents, we are asking you to pay any monies raised through sponsorship directly into your child's Scopay account. Please select Welly Walk 2023 from the trips and events section and enter the amount you are paying in.

As we are registered with HMRC as a charity we are able to claim gift aid on relevant donations for this event. Please can we ask you to register for gift aid on your child's Scopay account. You can do this by following the instructions below:

- Log into your Scopay account
- Select "Your Info"

- On the left-hand side select "Gift Aid"
- Tick "I want to Gift Aid any donations I make to Oaktree Infant School, both in the future and in the past 4 years"
- Complete your details
- Press Confirm

Once the above steps are complete The Oaktree School will be able to claim Gift Aid on any donations you make. If your circumstances change and you no longer pay sufficient tax on your income please update the declaration.

Please complete your payment and return your sponsorship form by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

## Year 2

Please can your children come to school wearing their PE kit on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October next week instead of their usual PE days. The children will be participating in an Indian Dance Workshop as part of their PE next week.

#### Flu Immunisations

Could we please remind you that the portal to consent for Reception -Year 2 flu vaccinations will close at 4pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023

If you have previously consented and wish to withdraw consent, could you please email <u>csh.sur-schoolimmswest@nhs.net</u> to advise.

## **Holiday Club**

Please find attached the flyer and booking form for the October half term Holiday Club. Please note that bookings close at 9.00am on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

Kind regards

The Oaktree School