



The Hoot

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I am sending this to you early—so that if you can, you will be able to join us tomorrow morning, as we take part in the Harvest Festival—live on You Tube. Another reminder of trying to creatively ensure our school life continues in the best way that we can. We will not be able to meet for Parents' Evening, as we usually do, but the teachers are busy writing short reports to inform you of how your child has settled and the next steps for your supporting your child in their learning, to close any gaps that we have recognised through early assessments. These will be sent home to you on **Wednesday 21st October 2020**, via your child (in book bags). Any queries please do not hesitate to telephone school, where a member of staff will be able to speak to you.

Time for Autumn Walks...

The children will tell you Autumn is my favourite time of the year. The days become shorter and cosier, the colours are vibrant and magical and the cool air slowly gathers around, making the animals take stock and snuggle down for the winter months ahead. I would love to see any photos of any autumn walks you go on ... please email them to me at school if you have any to share with me.



Ventilation during the autumn and winter

We will ensure that there is good ventilation throughout the school, despite the colder weather coming, to continue the fight against the transmission of Covid-19. This means that we will be keeping windows and doors open. We strongly advise that children wear base layers under their uniform, as the school will feel colder than it normally does at this time of year.

A huge thank you for your generous donations of food for our local foodbank Agape—they were incredibly grateful to you all.

On 9th October, JB Gill — who lives a double life as a pop star and farmer — will be hosting [Harvest Festival LIVE](#), the UK's first ever virtual harvest festival. Due to Covid-19 restrictions this year, schools won't be able to gather large groups of pupils in school halls and other community venues to celebrate the harvest. In response, Jordans Cereals has teamed up with the [Wildlife Trusts](#) and global education programme [Eco-Schools](#) to create a fun-filled online alternative.

Harvest Festival LIVE will be streamed on YouTube at 10am on Friday 9th October.

<https://www.countryfile.com/news/uks-first-ever-virtual-harvest-festival/>

We will be watching this as a school ...please join us.

