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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended our meet the teacher. The first of these events was extremely well attended and the feedback we received was overwhelmingly positive. Thank you also to all the parents that filled in our questionnaires. I know the staff and I were delighted to hear all the positive feedback and the recognition of the warm, positive ethos and welcoming friendly staff that we pride ourselves on. I am in the process of collating responses to suggestions made.

Attendance at school is high profile here at St Mary's and nationally. Please be reminded that holidays in term time are not permitted and may result in a fine from the LA.

We still have a number of children arriving before 8.40 without supervision. Unfortunately, this can cause behavioural issues before the classroom doors open, which is not a positive start to the day. Please ensure children do not arrive before this time unsupervised.

On Monday we begin our harvest collection in aid of the local charity Re:dish. Please could you bring any nonperishables (tins, pasta, noodles etc) to the hall over the next 2 weeks. I know these are challenging times so any donations would be extremely welcome. The deadline for this is Friday 13th October, when the donations will be taken to church in preparation for their harvest service and the school services.

We are attending St Mary's Church on:

Monday 16th October 9.30 St Marys Church years 4 - 6 Harvest service Tuesday 17th October 9.30 St Marys Church years 1- 3 Harvest service

Essential Letters and Sounds is the phonics scheme here at St Marys which was introduced last year. We will be holding an information session on **Thursday 5th October 3.30 – 4pm** in the school hall. If parents are unable to attend we will send the information PowerPoint home with their child on the Friday. This is a repeat of last years session but all parents are welcome from reception – year 2. Staff will be available after the session to answer any questions or offer any advice.

Finally, I must also remind parents, that like most schools St Marys does not allow dogs on the premises and ask that all parents and carers please support us with this.

Have a wonderful weekend, with the warmest wishes,

Mrs Faryniarz Headteacher