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Dear Parents / Carers,

**Congratulations to:
Gold Star Children this week who are:**

Reception: Emily for being such a careful listener and sharing her ideas with the class.

Y1: Tilly for being a fantastic learner all week.

Y2: Ava for a fantastic piece of fiction writing.

Y3: Harry for excellent use of similes and impeccable handwriting in all of his work.

Y4: Maizee-Jai for excellent answers and explanations in guided reading.

Y5: Daisy for being so enthusiastic about her learning outside of school.

Y6: Matilda for setting a good example to the class with her attitude and behaviour.

Last week's Golden ticket winners: Olivia and Eve



Macmillan Coffee Morning: it was lovely to see so many people supporting this event. Thank you for all the items sent in to sell, the money donated or given to the children to spend and for those who joined us for coffee. We're still happy to accept money if you forgot this morning, but the current total stands at an amazing **£1, 014.46.**

Confirmation Commitment Mass: will take place on **11th October** during the school Mass. Every child hoping to be confirmed will need an adult to present them. The Mass will be followed by a short meeting in school. Bishop David McGough will confirm the Y6 children on Friday 30th November at 7pm.

Harvest: this year we will be celebrating the Harvest during the school Mass in church on **Thursday 4th October** at 9.10am.

We would appreciate donations of tins, packets and jars of food (no fresh produce) any day next week. The children will take their donations up to the altar at the beginning of Mass and afterwards they will be given to the local food bank. The food bank will then distribute the food to the local families in need, the destitute and the homeless.



The food banks are really keen to receive donations of fruit juice, fruit cordial, UHT milk, instant noodles, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned fruit, small jars of coffee, hot chocolate and biscuits. We usually get great support for our Harvest celebration so please try and join us in church.



Phonics for parents: on **Friday 5 October at 2pm** we will be holding a phonics session for any interested parents. This will be particularly useful to those who have children in Reception or Key Stage One, but everyone is welcome.

Winter Uniform: from **Monday 1st October** all children must wear winter uniform. Any outgrown uniform would be appreciated for the nearly new uniform sales.

Parental Consultations Yrs 1 - 6: These are scheduled to be held the first week back after half term. Appointments will be available to book through Schools Buddy in the next couple of weeks, we will send you a message to inform you that booking is open. Please ensure that your Schools Buddy account is active otherwise you will not be able to book an appointment. If you need any help with your Schools Buddy account, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Volunteers: Thank you to those of you who have offered to volunteer in school. Mrs Clews will be holding a meeting on Wednesday 3 October at 2pm for all new volunteers to go through the volunteer policy and to get confidentiality agreements signed. After that we will need to apply for a DBS for each of the new volunteers (even if they have a DBS for another organisation). If you would like to volunteer please join us at this meeting.

Come and Play: Dudley Performing Arts are holding a Come and Play session in school on **Thursday 11th October starting at 3.30pm**. This is a **free** after school session for anyone who plays a musical instrument connected to our school – particularly those in Y4 and Y5.

Anyone who plays a musical instrument is invited no matter what they play, how long they've been playing for, where they learn or who teaches them. The session includes a short violin workshop for any adults who attend without an instrument, which means the session will culminate with everyone joining in and making music together. All welcome.

Enjoy your week,

S. M. Mason