



ABBOTSWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

On **Tuesday 6th October**, we will be celebrating Harvest with an assembly presented by Ellie and Joyce from Southampton City Mission. Please help us support our community by bringing in food donations for those in need.



We would be incredibly grateful for any food donations. If you wish to contribute, please send items in **with your child on the morning of Tuesday 6th October**. We will have trollies by both gates. When the children come into school, they can put their donations straight onto the trolley for the assembly. Tinned and packet goods are the most useful as they last longer.

All donations will go to the Basics Bank which supports local people in Southampton by providing much needed food supplies.

Sadly, there is a growing need for support from food banks and we hope we can make a difference as a school. They have sent us a link to their website where there is a regularly updated shopping list of their most urgently needed items: [SCM's Basics Bank Shopping List](#)

The following items are currently out of stock:

URGENTLY NEEDED:

- Tinned hot meat (curry, pies, stew etc.)
- Tinned cold meat (ham, Spam, etc.)
- Coffee (small jars)
- Cook-in sauces (jars and packets)
- Jams and spreads
- Tinned peas, carrots and potatoes
- Tinned macaroni and cheese
- Tinned spaghetti (in tomato sauce)
- Tinned tomatoes
- Noodles (packets)
- Toiletries (toilet rolls)
- Toiletries (male and female deodorant)
- Toiletries (soap, shower gel, shampoo)
- Toiletries (toothbrushes and toothpaste)
- UHT milk
- Sugar (small bags)
- Carrier bags

LOW ON STOCK:

- Toiletries (sanitary towels)
- Hot chocolate
- Pet food (dogs and cats)
- Soup (packets, cups and tins - particularly chunky)
- Tinned baked beans, kidney beans and pulses
- Tinned rice pudding
- Tinned sweetcorn and mixed vegetables
- Custard

- Tinned fish
- Tinned fruit
- Treats (chocolate, crisps etc.)
- Vegetarian and vegan options
- Nappies size 5 and 6+
- Rice

We can't wait to celebrate Harvest and give back to our local community.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs G Taylor
Assistant Headteacher