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HARVEST COLLECTION

Dear parents/carers,

I am writing to ask for your family's help in contributing to our harvest collection.

This is a great tradition at Thornhill that has happened every October for **over 30 years** and, although the current government ruling has meant our Harvest Festival has, unfortunately, been cancelled this year our drive to help others through our collection of food has not.

Recent events have hit many people hard and more than ever people need a helping hand. So, I am asking for everyone to dig deep if you can, not into your pockets, but into your cupboards. If you have any spare food that you could donate in the form of tins, jars, or packets of food please could you send it into school with your child tomorrow? Everything is welcome - from a single tin to a carrier bag full. We also accept toiletries which are much needed by many.

I will be standing at the collection point at the bottom of the entrance with the school's **bright yellow wheelie bin** and pupils can drop their donations off at that point, **tomorrow morning**, (Thursday 15th October).

All of the food collected helps people here in **Sunderland** and will be split equally between two fantastic causes- **Age UK Sunderland** and our **local foodbank** which is run by our own Mr. Miller and a team of volunteers.

There will be a further collection next Tuesday if you should want to make any special purchases to donate before then.

It never ceases to amaze me how generous our pupils, parents and carers are and I can assure you all donations are very gratefully received by both charities.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

Mr. G. Rice

Director of Learning- Religious Studies