



St Martin de Porres Primary School

Newsletter

October 2021

Dear Parents



Harvest Festival – Friday 22nd October

On Friday 18th October, we will be holding Harvest Festival Assemblies for the children. We are asking children to donate food, from **Monday 18th October**, so that we can collect it to give to Luton Foodbank. The food needs to be non-perishable so I have listed below the types of food and other items that would be ideal. Please send into school by the morning of **Friday 22nd October**.

Every day people in the UK go hungry for reasons ranging from redundancy to receiving an unexpected bill on a low income. Luton Foodbank provide emergency food supplies for people in crisis. Thank you, in anticipation, for your support and generosity.

Suitable items:

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| Fruit Juice (Carton) | Tinned Tomatoes | Shampoo |
| Milk (UHT/Powdered) | Tinned Vegetables | Shower gel |
| Meat/fish (Tinned) | Tinned fruit | Toilet rolls |
| Rice Pudding/Custard (Tinned) | Dried Rice (500g) | Washing up liquid |
| Tea Bags/Instant Coffee | Pasta Sauce | Tissues |
| Sugar/Jam | Soup | Toothpaste |
| Breakfast Cereal | Baked Beans/other beans | Soap |
| Lentils | (Tinned) | |
| | Biscuits | |

Thank you to those of you who have already contributed items instead of bringing in birthday sweets.



Macmillan/British Heart Foundation

The coffee morning, cake sale and non-uniform day for the British Heart Foundation raised £767.91. Thank you who contributed to the success of the day.

My particular thanks go to Mrs Jarvis and Mrs Jones for organising the event. It was lovely to see so many of you at the coffee morning. The proceeds will be split equally between the two charities.



Macmillan and
to everyone

Year group Curriculum Overviews and Learning Journeys

Information highlighting what your child is covering in class this year plus information about the Learning Journeys for each subject area of the curriculum are now available on the school website - www.stmartindeporresluton.co.uk. Follow the link "Curriculum" and then to the relevant year group.

Dinner Money

Please see below the costs for dinner money the next half term

2.11.21 – 17.12.21 (34 days):

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| Per Day | £2-30 |
| Per Week (5 days) | £11.50 |
| Half Term (6 weeks and 4 days) | £78.20 |

COVID update

Our contingency plan and risk assessment are now on the school website, under the COVID tab. We would ask you to continue to take sensible precautions. Please wear a face covering when entering the school building. **Please make sure that everyone in your household is using lateral flow tests at least twice weekly** (including children if possible) – these are free and can be collected from pharmacies and some supermarkets.

If your child is unwell, please do not send them to school, book a PCR test for them. Additional symptoms have now been added and include a runny nose, sore throat and/or an upset stomach. **You must notify the school if your child tests positive.**

Class teachers will continue to provide work through Class Dojo if your child is required to isolate.

Hockwell Ring is the nearest testing site but you must book a test through the government website. **You do not need to have symptoms to book a test if you live with someone who has tested positive or have had contact with someone who has tested positive.**

We have had increasing cases of COVID within the school community, so it is important that everyone play their part in keeping us all safe.

Please notify the school if you or anyone in your household tests positive as the whole household need to book a PCR test. Do not send your child to school until you have the results of the test.

STAY ALERT: Do you have a temperature? A persistent cough? Loss or change in smell or taste? Order a test today: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-coronavirus-test> or by calling 119

Please note that half term is from Monday 25th October until Tuesday 2nd November – the 1st November is a staff training day so the school is closed to children.

I hope that everyone has a lovely half term break.

Kind regards

N. J. Morgan.

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Head Teacher

Friday 15th October 2021

