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HARVEST THANKSGIVING 2013

Dear Parents,

Harvest Thanksgiving is an important event in our school calendar. A traditional celebration in the UK, as in many other countries, we give thanks for the harvest and for the wide variety of food from which we all benefit throughout the year.

We shall be celebrating this festival in the school hall on **FRIDAY, 25**th **OCTOBER**. Because of the size of our school hall I am afraid parents are unable to attend. However the FPTA have kindly volunteered to help with the Harvest display the day before.

At this time of year it has become a tradition for us to think about others, and once again we are calling upon your generosity. We will be continuing to support a Boys' Hostel in Büklüm Sokak and would ask you to provide gifts of olives, cheese, jam, sugar, tea, coffee, soap and cleaning materials for washing machines, dish washers, kitchen and toilet surface cleaning materials e.g. Cif and bleach. No toothpaste thank you, they have plenty.

In addition to this we know the boys would enjoy some treats e.g. sweets, chocolates, biscuits, crisps and canned drinks. They come from very poor families and are brought to Ankara to be cared for during their Middle and High School years, and therefore a few exciting treats would really cheer them up!

We also would like to support refugees through KADER which is a humanitarian association operating in Anatolia. You can donate second hand clothes (children and adults), toys and blankets as well.

I would be grateful if your child would bring your contribution to the school office **between** Monday 21st and Thursday 24th October.

Another harvest tradition is giving donations of money. The money will be used to buy clothing and blankets for the boys and refugees. It would be excellent if children could maybe think of sending in some pocket money. Donations should be sent in an envelope marked 'Harvest Gift'.

Thank you already for your support in this annual festival.

Yours sincerely,

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