



# Ryecroft C.E. Middle School

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Dear Parents and Carers



Our school Harvest Festival will take place on the afternoon of **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2021** at St Michael's Church, Rocester. The service will commence at 10:00am and is due to finish at approximately 11:00am, when all pupils will return to school.

Unfortunately, due to the rate of COVID-19 infection in East Staffordshire at the moment – we feel unable to invite parents, friends and family to join us at the church. However, in order that you can be part of our celebration, we will be filming it to share with our school community. Thank you for your understanding.

Harvest is traditionally a time to be thankful for the food and goods we have and to share these with others. You will be aware of the events happening in Afghanistan at the moment and the fact that refugees are arriving in local towns close to us. We thought it important to show our support and compassion by focussing our collections and donations this year to help the refugees of Afghanistan.

We are therefore, asking pupils to **donate food cans, jars and dry foods** (no fresh or perishable foods please), and also clothes, shoes and other goods that are listed on the attached poster. We will be learning about and discussing with our pupils the situation in Afghanistan over the coming weeks and this is a valuable opportunity for pupils to display their care and consideration for others.

If you feel able to make a donation, please could your child bring the item/s into school no later than Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September and hand it to their FORM TUTOR.

Thank you for your help and support.

Yours sincerely

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Head of School

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