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## FRIDAY LETTER

Dear parents and carers.

### Harvest Festival

This year our Harvest Celebration, a great favourite in the Crookhill calendar, will take place on Tuesday 1st October at 9.15am and again at 2.30pm. Due to the size of our hall, and Health and Safety restrictions, we can only admit 2 adults per family and ask that you only attend 1 of the performances. We ask that babies and toddlers do not attend this event, as the small voices of our children can often get lost in the noise of a packed hall. If you would like to attend one of the performances, tickets are available from the school office at £1 each. You WILL NOT be able to pay on the door on the morning of the event so please ensure you buy your tickets in good time.

Could we ask pupils to bring in various store cupboard staples, all will be very gratefully received. Once again, our donations will be collected by The People's Kitchen the day after our celebration.

### Suggested items are:-

<i>Sugar</i>	<i>Biscuits and sweets</i>
<i>Instant coffee</i>	<i>Tinned meat, stew, curry, chilli</i>
<i>Sauces (ketchup, salad cream, brown sauce, gravy)</i>	
<i>Hot Chocolate</i>	
<i>Soup (tinned or packet)</i>	<i>Plain and self-raising flour</i>
<i>Tinned fruit</i>	<i>Evaporated, condensed and dried milk</i>
<i>Tinned vegetables</i>	<i>Long Life Milk</i>
<i>Custard (powder or tinned)</i>	<i>Tinned rice pudding</i>
<i>Toothbrushes/toothpaste/showergel</i>	<i>Squash/fruit juice</i>
<i>Pet Food</i>	

The generosity of the Crookhill Community is always astonishing; however, we understand that in the current climate asking for donations can be tricky. Please only ever give what you can afford.

### Afterschool Clubs

Our Autumn Term Afterschool Clubs start next week, please ensure you have paid for your child's space and remind your child which night they are attending.

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## Parent Open Afternoons-Meet the Teacher

It was lovely to see so many parents in school for our sessions this week. Next week is the turn of Reception, Year 2 and Year 4 parents, you will be able to meet your child's new class teacher and visit their classroom. Staff will share information about what the children will be learning this year and the importance of reading. There will also be the opportunity for you and your child to read and complete some activities together.

The open afternoons start at **2.30pm** on the following dates:

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Year 2
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – Year 4
- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Reception

I do hope you will all be able to join us for this important afternoon.

## Footie News

We might be only three weeks into the new term, but the new 7-a-side season is already underway with our new team taking to the field in the County Cup competition along at Ryton Juniors. It was a round robin format with the top two teams progressing to the district finals next week and we're pleased to report that Crookhill secured top place in the group of four with a win and two draws. The opening game against Riverside Academy was a tight affair although Crookhill looked the more likely to score with Ethan R rattling the crossbar early on. Riverside defence remained solid and it took a wonder strike (Ethan making sure this time) to settle this one. Two nil-nil draws followed against Ryton then St Agnes. Both games had plenty of excitement (super saves from Matthew K and a goal line clearance from Danny T were stand out moments) but we just couldn't break either team down. Well done to the team - especially those making their debuts for Crookhill last night. We look forward to the finals next week!

## Caring for Our Planet

Next week is Caring for Our Planet Week and all classes will be exploring different environmental issues and finding out how we can all help. Could all pupils bring one plastic bottle into school on Monday as part of this project please.

I'd like to share some exciting news with you all, Mrs Drummond is expecting a baby in early spring. I'm sure you'll all join us in wishing her well.

Have a great weekend everyone.

Yours sincerely,

Miss K McCormack  
Head Teacher

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