



Edenfield C E Primary School

19th September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Thanksgiving Friday 4th October 2019 Edenfield Parish Church

The Harvest Thanksgiving Service this year will take place on **Friday 4th October** and parents, carers and friends are warmly welcomed, to join us in church, on this day. The service will be led by the children in Class Reception and KS1. This year, our theme is 'Homelessness' inspired by the church harvest festival window we will be decorating entitled 'All Good Gifts Around Us'. The 'good gifts' reference items a homeless family, or a family living in poverty, may need. In the light of this, we will be asking you to donate such items as follows:

- toiletries (soap/ shower gel/shampoo/ shaving foam etc)
- tissues
- toilet rolls
- nappies / wipes / baby toiletries
- any non-perishable item that the homeless or a family living in poverty may need

This year, we have also decided to support the Rossendale Hospice again by participating in the Inter-School Penny Pinching Challenge. Last year, we narrowly missed out on being the winning school due to the late submission of some boxes. However, if these are included, our school raised the largest amount of money across all the Rossendale schools – a fantastic achievement for a small school and a reflection of your generosity. Today, each child will have received a hospice collection box and fact sheet, alongside this letter. Over a six week period, we are asking you to collect change in the box before returning it to school no later than Wednesday 31st October. Schools have the opportunity again to win an award for collecting the most money. Boxes submitted after the closing date will still be sent to the hospice but cannot be included in our winning total. To clarify, we do not request the collection boxes are brought to Church for the Harvest Festival, however the project will be referenced during the service.

Thank you for supporting the school and pupils in helping these worthwhile causes.

Yours faithfully,

C.L. Garner
Headteacher