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Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Harvest Festival:

A reminder that our harvest festival is on the **8<sup>th</sup> October at 9:30am** in St Peter's church. Please remember that we have a **restriction on numbers within the church** for safety reasons. St Peter's church have advised us to remind our parents that they only have seating **capacity for 57**. Tickets have been allocated on a first come first served basis and limited to one ticket per family. **These tickets can be collected from the office today, and parents will have been emailed.** Please remember to bring your ticket in order to enter the church.

#### Donations:

We are requesting donations of non-perishable food items for Buntingford Food Support, and these will be displayed in the hall. We are accepting donations now. Please ensure items are in date.

#### Black History Month:

As October is Black History Month, I have booked an African Drumming Workshop for the whole school to take part in on Thursday 24.10.24 to support this. I also delivered a collective worship to the whole school to introduce Black History Month earlier this week.

#### Parents' Consultations:

Parent consultations for Years R, 2, 3, and 4 are scheduled for Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 3:30pm-6:00pm.

Mrs Hammond (Y1 cover teacher) has very kindly agreed to offer meetings for our Year 1 parents to give them an opportunity to discuss their child's progress to date. The Year 1 conferences will take place on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October during the school day as Mrs Hammond is only with us on a short-term supply contract and therefore not contracted to stay in the evening. If you cannot make the meeting then Mrs Hammond will arrange a phone call with you instead.

Please make your appointment using the online booking system. Please arrive at the school office entrance just before your allotted time so that we avoid over-crowding in the hall. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this.

Parents evening online booking system will open on 7th October @ 18:00 and will close on 18th October @9:00. The link is <https://laystoncofefirst.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Best wishes

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Headteacher

