



# Cardinal Newman Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents

Please find below information about some important and exciting upcoming events:

## **CAFOD Family Fast Day – Friday 5 October**

CAFOD's theme this year is 'Brighten Up', here is a quote taken from the campaign:

*Sadly, due to poverty and injustice, this harvest will not be bright for millions of children and young people around the world who will miss out on food, clean water and even on going to school. But your support is helping to change this! Last year, schools around England and Wales joined us to **Brighten Up** and help make the world a brighter place for communities living in extreme poverty.*

As this falls on our INSET day, we will have a collective worship during next week to reflect on those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Putting our faith into action, we are asking all the children to 'fast' from a sweet treat or similar and place the cost of the item in their CAFOD envelope, which they will receive next week. Envelopes should be returned to school on Monday 8 October and given to their class teacher.

## **Harvest Festival Celebrations and Collection for Walton + Hersham Foodbank**

Harvest celebrations will take place during week commencing 8 October. **Yellow Class** will lead the Reception and KS1 liturgy as the focus for their **class assembly on Friday 12 October**. **KS2 will have a Harvest Liturgy on Thursday 11th at 9am**. Parents are welcome to join us for both of our Harvest celebrations.

**Walton and Hersham Foodbank** are always very grateful for donations and we are once again collecting for them that week. We are attaching the list of items they are especially looking for at the moment. You may bring in donations from Monday 8 October, to be here for Thursday 11th. Thank you.

## **Cardinal Newman Feast Day – Mufti Day**

We will celebrate the Feast of Blessed John Henry Newman with a vigil Mass in school on Monday 8 October. As we have limited space in the school hall, we are unable to invite parents to join the Mass on this occasion.

On the Feast Day, **Tuesday 9 October**, we will have a mufti day and we are asking the children to wear their house colours and bring a donation of £1 towards a "Cardinal Newman School" banner for use in our new chapel space and for processions on special occasions such as the Good Shepherd celebration at Worth Abbey and at the Leavers Masses. The current school banner has done fantastic service over many years but is now much in need of renewal.

In the afternoon, the children will enjoy activities in their house groups to mark this special occasion for our school.

Kind regards

Emma Sharp  
RE Co-ordinator