

MEADGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer

We would like to invite families to our forthcoming harvest assemblies taking place on **Friday 4th October**. The PTA will be selling tea and coffee, so please join us for some refreshments after dropping the children off at school.

The timings for the assemblies are below and we know that some families will have children in both key stages, so please feel free to stay in the hall between times, if that applies to you. Please bear with us if timings are not exact.

Key stage 2 (Year 3-6) 9:00 - 9:20 Key Stage 1 (Year R - 2) 9:30 - 9:45

As usual we will be supporting Chelmsford Food Bank who would be hugely grateful of any donations you can send in, if you are able.

What Food to Donate

The shopping list below shows the food items that are needed to pack most food parcels. They almost always have enough beans and pasta because these are the items people think of first, but often run out of UHT milk, tinned meat meals, tinned vegetables, tinned fruit and long life fruit juice.

All food donated should be in-date, unopened and the sort of food that can be kept in a cupboard without refrigeration, e.g. tins and packets (and not chilled or frozen).

Items that they are currently in most need of are as follows:

Small jars of coffee	Male and female toiletries	Breakfast Cereal
Tea bags 40 and 80s	Laundry pods/tabs (only)	Tins of meat meals
UHT Fruit Juice	Washing up liquid	Tinned hot dogs
UHT Milk	Toilet rolls	Tinned fish
Milk - non dairy	Rice	Tinned pulses
Fruit Squash	Tinned fruit	Tinned tomatoes
Cup soups	Tinned custard	Tinned vegetables
Tinned soup	Pasta Sauces	Instant Mash

We know that these events are special milestones in children's school lives and that families will want to take photos and videos. Please ensure that these are only for your own private memories and are not shared on social media. It is likely that other children will be in them and their families may not want their children on line, for a number of reasons, some of which may be for safeguarding purposes.

Yours faithfully

Ms K Meager Head of School

