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To all Parents/Carers

St Francis Animal Service and Harvest Festival

Following the success of our St Francis Animal Service and Harvest Festival over recent years, the children have requested that we repeat this again this year. Therefore you are all invited to join us for this at school at 3.00pm on Friday 5th October.

St Francis is the patron saint of animals and ecology, and we know so many of you have pets who are an integral part of your family. It is common practice for pets to be blessed on St Francis' day. We would therefore like to invite you to bring your pets (large or small!) to the service which will be held on the school field (no pets are to be brought into school earlier in the day before the service). Sue Waterston (from St Giles and one of our School Governors) will lead the service.

In terms of our Harvest Festival, once again we are supporting 'The Friary' in West Bridgford. The centre helps the homeless and the long term unemployed and provides health care and specialist mainstream advice as well as providing services to improve people's quality of life and living conditions. We ask that you let your child bring a donation into school, knowing that it will help less fortunate people. The Friary would particularly welcome donations of tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned potatoes, tinned vegetables (not baked beans), instant mash potato and snack foods eg cereal bars, pot noodles etc. however any non-perishable food items would be gratefully accepted. Donations can be brought into school and placed in the designated box in the school main reception area from Monday 1st October until the start of the school day on Friday 5th October.

We look forward to seeing many of you at this unique service and thank you in advance for your support of our Harvest Festival appeal.

Mrs Jane Mellor
Head Teacher



Every child's a star!