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Dear Parents and Carers,

This year we have chosen to support both Macmillan cancer support and Trussell Trust foodbank. These charities are incredibly important to Court Lane staff and pupils and we hope that you will help us by contributing to our upcoming events this half term.

Wednesday 2nd October 2024 - Macmillan coffee morning and maths workshop.

Please join us in fighting cancer by supporting the **CLJS coffee morning**. This event is open to all family and friends from **9:00am - 11:00am** in the large hall. Please enter via the staff car park fire doors and bring a cup with a lid if you have one.

Grab a coffee and a cake on your way to or from our **maths workshop** which is being hosted in our small hall, starting at 9:00am.

This year we are able to take online payments via a secure QR code as well as cash donations.

If you are able to support this event by contributing to the coffee morning refreshments, we welcome: packaged sweets, cakes and biscuits, sugar, coffee, tea and sweeteners, any long-life milk or dairy alternatives. However, we are unable to accept any homemade goods as we must be able to provide the ingredients for allergy awareness.

Please note - we are a nut free school.

Tuesday 8th October 2024 - Harvest celebration and non-uniform day to support the foodbank.

Typically, Harvest is a festival that celebrates abundance and giving thanks for what we have. We know that some families in our local area do not have an abundance and, with that in mind this year, we are kicking off our Trussell Trust Christmas foodbank collection during harvest week. We have supported the local foodbank for 5 years and will start this year with our Christmas collection which is being collected by the foodbank on the 11th December 2024.

This year, they have asked that our school concentrate on collecting **cereal and tea**, but are grateful for all and any donations. To start our collection, we are having a non-uniform day on **Tuesday 8th October** and ask for a voluntary contribution towards the foodbank collection - this could be cereal or tea, a tinned item, a non-perishable cupboard item, some toiletries or sanitary products. A representative from the foodbank will be visiting school to talk to the children about the good work that the foodbank do across the city and the growing needs they have. We will then be supporting the foodbank on 'Foodbank Fridays' which will be a named day each half term for any extra donations that families can make.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible for a chat, hot drink and a treat.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wheeler

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