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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school this afternoon for our Harvest Festival. How is it half term already? This half term has flown by but has been full of so many wonderful learning opportunities, events and moments. This term our children in Class 4 and 5 have participated in STEM workshops with Mr Norris inspiring them to be engineers of the future, Class 3 have helped Mrs Johns run Rosary Club and have created fantastic prehistoric paintings, Class 2 have been busy completing a DT unit and have been making windmills and Class 1 loved their visit by a baby owl which linked to their unit on Owl Babies.

We have also enjoyed working with Harry our reading dog, all joining together for our Creation Mission Day and our Year 6 chaplains enjoyed visiting the Rosmini Centre of Prayer for a retreat day. We also welcomed our Trust CEO, Neil Lockyer, into school this week and he was really impressed with the teaching he observed.

Playtimes

We are still working hard on our playtime provision, Mrs Dann and myself were luckily enough to attend a pre-school sale and obtain lots of new toys to enhance lunchtimes. A big thank you also to The Friends of St Charles who funded our new sandpit that was built this week.

Reminder: Friends of St Charles PTA – we desperately need your help!

A really kind (and desperate) plea that at the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) we will be needing a new chair (or co chairs) and a new secretary; if these roles are not filled at the AGM meeting then unfortunately the PTA linked to St Charles will cease to continue. Therefore, I am asking as many parents as possible to please attend the next AGM meeting on **Thursday 14th November** and consider if you are able to take on any of the roles I have mentioned.

Looking ahead to next half term ...

We have so many wonderful things to look forward to next term, from our Spooky Disco to our Key Stage 2 Faith Walk, National Youth Fun Day, Chocolate Bingo and then all the lovely Christmas activities.

For the Year 5 and 6 children participating in the Beaumanor Hall Residential, I wish you an action-packed adventure which I am sure will be filled making many happy memories and lots of fun activities.

Happy Half Term everyone,

Mrs Knight
Head Teacher

A half term of happiness ...

