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Friday 16th October 2020

Dear parents,

Thank you all so much for your generous donations for our Harvest collection for Pilsdon at Malling Community and local food banks. The school display already looks amazing and we appreciate all your support. Please send in your donations by **Wednesday 21st October**. All items will be collected before half term and distributed to these local charities.

November Parent Consultation Meetings:

Next week we will be sending out a letter regarding Parent Consultation Meetings that will take place from Monday 16th November over a two week period. This letter will detail how to book your session. After half term you will receive information about your child's attainment and progress and how we are taking steps to ensure that any lost learning from last school year is addressed and actioned.

FOMS:

FOMS held their annual AGM meeting on Wednesday. Thank you to all the parents that joined this meeting. There **are** some great ideas for this school year despite the challenges of Covid-19. More details to follow, including a video of all the FOMS members so that everyone knows who's who. This will be available to view via the school website after half term alongside the FOMS annual account of spending.

Reception 2021 and prospective parents:

On Friday 23rd October 2020, a video company will be on the school premises all day, making a promotional film of the school that will be publically available on the Internet, including but not limited to the Mereworth Community Primary School website. The purpose of the film is to advertise our school to prospective Reception Class parents and give them a feel for daily school life, especially as we are unable to provide tours during the school day this year. The film will include silent video footage of all year groups going about their usual activities both inside and outside, overlaid with a soundtrack and voiceover. **Please let us know by email: office@mereworth.kent.sch.uk before Tuesday 20th October if you DO NOT wish your child to participate in this film. If we do not hear from you by this date, we will assume that you consent to their participation.** If you are happy for your child to take part you do not need to contact us. Parents of any children participating in the voiceover will be contacted separately to ask for their individual permission. **Please be assured that the video company will adhere to our COVID-19 protective measures throughout the duration of their time on site.**

Baby news:

Mrs Ford, our Year 5 class teacher, is expecting a baby at the beginning of April 2021. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on such happy news.

School dinners newsletter:

The latest newsletter from the catering company Edwards and Ward accompanies this letter.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lavelle
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