



Dear Parents/Carers:

Harvest Festival at The Minster took place today at 2:00pm, and what a service it was! The children and the wider congregation sang songs, offered prayers and Bible readings to God, and presented their gifts to Father Alan, who received same on behalf of needy families.

Learning: Our children practised rounding numbers to the nearest 10 000, bearing in mind the fact that they need to check the thousands column and follow the basic rule to decide if the number should be rounded up or down. In English, the text 'Window', was used as a stimulus to generate rich discussions framed within the context of our senses. Human lifecycles was explored in depth, this week. The children were able to explain people's needs at different stages of the lifecycle.

Spelling Patterns for next Friday's (8th October) Spelling Test: *relevant, restaurant, rhyme, bargain, bruise, temperature, vegetable, sacrifice, shoulder, fortieth, government, familiar, excellent, definite, development, suggest, recognise, suggestion, recognition, relevance.*

The second set of words which some children learn include: *clothes, everybody, beautiful, clothing, climbing, kindness, sugar, growing, parents, wear.*

Cross Country: On Monday, 5th October, we will meet at Duppas Park for our annual cross country races. The year 5 children will set off at around 11:00 a.m., so do come across to support them, if you can. The top 6 children from each year group will represent our school at the Croydon Cross-Country Championships.

Farmer's Market: To conclude the half-term's curriculum topic, Year 5 will be holding a Farmers' Market in the school hall from 3:30 – 4.30 on Tuesday, 19th October 2021. We will be asking you to bear this date in mind and come in to support our children develop their entrepreneurial skills at this event.

Have a great weekend; enjoy the sunshine as well as the rain.

Mrs Fernandes, Mrs Simpson-Wright, Mr Roberts, Mr Gibbons and Mr Francis.