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Dear Parent/Carer 27<sup>th</sup> September 2022

## **Re: Our Harvest Journey**

All of our Learning Zones are visiting St. Thomas' Church for a Harvest Journey this week where they are learning about different types of harvest including:

Harvest of the flock - Humility Harvest of the ocean - Peace Harvest of the Earth - Jov Harvest of the Grain - Generosity Harvest of the Garden - Patience

This experiential event will give our children an opportunity to learn more about the traditional festival of Harvest. The children are led around the church in small groups and meet a member of the church who will help them discover more about how the natural world provides a harvest for people to enjoy in a fun and interactive way. They will hear about the harvest of fruit and veg we can get from our gardens; find out about those who risk their lives to harvest the fish from our seas; feel the wool from a sheared sheep from the Dale and how it provides clothes for us to wear; and discover how grains from the ears of wheat are used to make the bread we eat, and how the earth provides clay to make pots that we can use and enjoy.

As well as learning about the physical harvests each activity will link to a spiritual gift, like patience, joy, humility peace, and generosity.

The team of volunteers have put a huge amount of hard work in preparing fantastic displays and resources which are engaging and exciting for our children and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them all for this amazing event.

The stations will remain in place in St. Thomas' Church until Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 so please feel free to visit the church and ask your child to explain what they have learnt this week about Harvest. St. Thomas' Church is open 10am – 4pm throughout the week.

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Yours sincerely

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