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Dear Parents/Carers

October break

It's hard to believe we are nearly at the end of our first term. Our last day of term is **Friday 11 October**. We hope everyone enjoys their October break, whatever they have planned. We look forward to welcoming pupils back to school in term 2 when school reopens on **Wednesday 30 October**. Monday 28 and Tuesday 29 October are in-service training days for staff.

Harvest Assembly/Shetland Foodbank

Our final assembly of the term will be on **Friday 11 October** and we will be collecting donations for the Shetland Foodbank. Any contribution of food would be greatly appreciated, but in particular tinned vegetables like beans, carrots, spaghetti or sweetcorn, tinned meats, biscuits, breakfast cereals, tinned fruit, custard or rice pudding. Mr David Grieve from the Shetland Foodbank will be in school to provide learners with more information about the Foodbank and to thank everyone for their contributions. Anyone bringing a donation can leave this on the canteen stage on 11th October. **There is no obligation to contribute to this collection.**

Breakfast club

A reminder that from 30th October pupils will continue to be able to have breakfast at the **new time from 0845 - 0900** each morning at school. Our breakfast club is funded using Pupil Equity Funding. PEF is allocated directly to schools and targeted at closing the poverty related attainment gap. There is a lot of research available stating that children who do not eat breakfast are less able to learn. We also hope that the Breakfast Club will support us in helping pupils to arrive on time in the morning. Access to the breakfast club is at 0845.

Supervision

The school three storey block will be open from 0845 in the morning. Children can enter the school grounds from 0830 and play in their designated playground until the doors open. P1-4 pupils will be in the P1-4 playground and P5-7 pupils will be in the P5-7 playground. **There will only be supervision in the playgrounds from 0845.**

Yours sincerely

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