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Dear Parents/Carers,

It is suddenly feeling autumnal and certainly time for coats, especially in the chilly mornings.

Please continue to check that all clothing coming into school is clearly labelled. We are encouraging children to take responsibility for their belongings as there are such a lot of items left in various places around school! As a parent, I know how frustrating it is when your child loses uniform which is expensive to keep replacing.

On this note, Lucy Blair is hoping to run a school clothes swap shop at the end of this half-term at school. Further information will be sent out soon when arrangements have been finalised.

Last week, pupils from Oak class, taking part in the High 5 Netball tournament at William Brookes School, made us very proud by showing excellent teamwork. After such a long time, the ability to be able to participate in events across schools again was most welcomed. They will continue to take part over the coming weeks.

Our School Councillors have been elected and have already been thinking about improvements that they would like to see in and around school. I'm sure they will all do a great job! This week their photographs will appear on the school website.

In January, a visit to the New Vic Theatre, Newcastle-under-Lyme, to see their production of Beauty and the Beast, has been booked for pupils in Elm, Ash & Oak classes. The productions at the New Vic are always spectacular: they immerse the children in a unique experience of storytelling through superb acting, song, music, dance, puppetry, and special effects. We are planning to take Yew Tree pupils to Oakengates to see Aladdin in December.

Towards the end of last term, the Friends of Barrow got in touch, via the newsletter, to inform parents/carers of their intention to contribute to the funding of the theatre visits through the Barrow Coin Collection. Each class has a clear jar and the pupils are encouraged to bring in loose change from home to fill it. The class with the heaviest jar receives a small prize at the end of term. Please keep sending the coins in!

This week, on Thursday, Ash Class will be taking part in the 'Experience Harvest' workshop at All Saints' Church, Broseley.

As you are aware, the Harvest Festival Service is due to take place on Sunday 3rd October at Broseley All Saints' Church at 11:00am. Barrow pupils will be singing a hymn they have been practising in school with Mary. Mrs Adams and I will be at church to greet the pupils from 10:30am. Full school uniform should be worn by those attending.

Parents/carers consultations will take place after the half-term break, via telephone or MS Teams, on weeks beginning 8th & 15th November. This will provide you with the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into their class this academic year. Booking forms will be sent out closer to the time.

Thanks to those of you who have volunteered your help with our Community Tree Project on the weekend of November 13th. We do need as many people as possible to make lighter work so please either speak to a member of staff at the gate or contact the office if you are willing to help-out with the planting. I will be in touch again to rally troops as this is something which really does require the support of the community.

Thanks also to those of you who have got in touch about the mini-bus and school transport. There have been some useful suggestions. Our local Friendly Bus has been able to assist us on occasions and will continue to provide transport to some venues. We will continue to seek other affordable solutions and explore your recommendations.

We hope that you manage to keep well with all the illness going around during this season of coughs and colds.

Your ongoing support is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Sian Stephenson

(Headteacher)