



## Galleywood Infant School

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2016

Dear Parents,

### Harvest Project 2016

Yesterday we had a visit from Chessney bear, who came to our school to help us launch our harvest project for this autumn. James, who was a pupil at our school for three years, has written the following message:

*I am Pearl's big brother. My name is James and I am here to tell you about Chelmsford Chess, which is a charity helping homeless people in our city.*

*Lots of people have no home and have to sleep outside sometimes. I think sleeping outside without a tent would feel horrible. I think it would be cold and scary to live outside in the darkness with no protection or furniture and no food. When I see homeless people I feel sad and want to help them.*

*How do you feel when you see somebody in a sleeping bag on the street in our city?*

*So I helped a bit. I sold some CDs to people at my house gig. I raised £10 to give to the homeless shelter.*

*The Chess Shelter is big house full of rooms where people can sleep and feel warm and safe for the night. Homeless people can also have a nice hot dinner in the shelter.*

### How can we help?

CHESS welcome donations of the following items:

#### Toiletries

Antiperspirant Deodorant, Shaving Gel/Foam, Antibacterial Hand Wash, Razors, Shower Gel

#### Household goods

Tea Towels, Bleach, Toilet Cleaner, Toilet Rolls, Clothes Hangers, Soap Powder, Dish-washer salt, Kitchen Rolls, Anti-bacterial Spray, Bin Liners, Floor Cleaner, Multi-purpose Cleaner, Black Sacks, Air Freshener, Washing Powder, Dish Washer Tablets

#### Groceries

Coffee, Tea, Tinned Fruit, Cook-In-Sauce Jars, Sugar, Semi-Skimmed Long-life Milk, Fruit Squash, Vegetable Oil



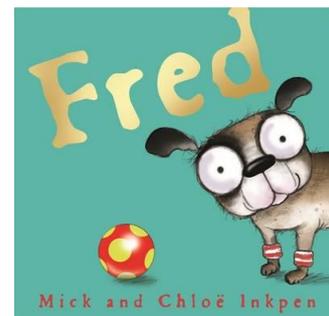
Please bring them to school from **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October** ready for a special Harvest assembly on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October, led by Polly Kersys Hull from St Michael's Church.

Chessney Bear and James have invited our children to choose one of their toys to take part in The Big Chess Sleepout- more details of this to follow our Harvest Collection (or on the CHESS website if you are intrigued.....) Thank you for your support.



### Author Visit

Last Thursday we were delighted to have a visit from Chloe Inkpen, children's author and illustrator. She held a hall full of children spellbound as she told her stories, engaged the children in actions and sound effects and showed the children how she draws some of her trade mark characters.



### Open Mornings and Tours

Yesterday was our first Open Morning for parents interested in applying for a place at this school for September 2017. If you have a child due to start school next year your letter about school application is due to arrive from the Local Authority on 8<sup>th</sup> November and online applications open on 14<sup>th</sup> November.

There are some 1 hour tours of the school for prospective parents who were unable to make the open mornings. If you know other families who may be interested in booking a place on one of these tours, please let them know and see our website for information.

## Family Science Day

This half term Chelmsford Museums are having a special big....

**Family Science Discovery Day at Sandford Mill on Sunday 23 October**

**With an interactive science show, hands-on activities and family tours telling the story of Marconi there will be something for all the family.**

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