Vigo Village School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to invite all grandparents of the children to join the school for our harvest festival which will take place on Tuesday 6th October. The festival will begin at 9.30am, and we will be opening the car park gates for entry at 9.10am. Should grandparents wish to attend, please complete and return the slip at the end of this letter by Friday 3rd October. Should a grandparent require any specific arrangements in order to facilitate their attendance, please mention this on the slip.

I must clarify that this festival is for grandparents only - invariably we have to turn away non-grandparents on the door who have made a wasted journey. We have a limited capacity in the hall, and opening it up to other family members is simply not feasible, or safe. There will be plenty of occasions when other family members will be able to watch the children in action later in the year.

While I have the opportunity, please can I remind you that if the adult(s) who usually collect your child at the end of the day are not able to do so, the school must be advised as to who will be picking them up. School staff will not 'release' children at the end of the day unless parental authority has been received. Of course this does not apply to children older than Year 3 who are able to make their way home independently.

Back to the Harvest Festival, I always cherish our early-October gatherings. It is always a pleasure to see the children performing to such a large and appreciative audience. I am sure that, once again, we will be shoe-horned into the hall, but know that the whole experience will live long in the memory.

Yours sincerely

Mr R Barber

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Re: Harvest Festival, 6th October 2026

Name of Child(ren) _____

I would like _____ of their grandparents to attend the festival.

Signature of Parent/Carer _____

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