

## Wychwood C.E. Primary School

### Harvest Festival

When reading this, Christmas will be close, but I wanted to tell you about our Harvest Festival.

This year the whole school went to St Mary's Church to

celebrate together. Children gave gifts of food which were shared with The Porch, Penhurst School and mini hamper boxes were made up to give to those attending the Day Centre at Beaconsfield Hall.

These were handed out when our Year 6 children went to sing some of the harvest songs they had learnt for the service.

### Thank you Lord for everything

I would like to share with you a couple of the prayers written and read out by pupils:

*Our Almighty God, we are thanking you today for providing us with the wind, the rain and the sun to grow your wonderful crops. As well we thank you for gathering us all here today to give some of our amazing food, we so happily eat, to a charity that needs it more than us. Help more of us to realise how lucky we all are. In Jesus name, Amen*

**Sarah Duckworth**

*Thank you Lord for the crops we eat  
For all the cows and all the sheep  
Thank you Lord for all the flowers  
For all the farmers that work all hours  
Thank you Lord for the birds that sing  
Thank you Lord for everything!  
Amen*

**Joss Habberley**



A retiring collection raised £182.62 for **Christian Aid. International Week.**

This was a very busy but enjoyable week in which the children learnt so much about

different countries around the world, enabling the school to explore Global Citizenship.

### Experiencing Other Cultures

Each class teacher chose a country to focus their teaching for the week. The children researched and compared cultures, daily life and religions through a range of activities.

They even had a chance to taste foods associated with the different countries - some were liked more than others! Different artists were brought in to enhance the learning, including a drumming workshop using instruments from around the world and two story tellers, one with stories from India and the other with stories from Britain and Ireland. We had two artists, one doing traditional Rangoli Designs and the other doing Islamic arts. There were also dance workshops, one with Sally Elderfield with a variety of dancing styles from different cultures and a Chinese Ribbon workshop. The week finished with a whole school assembly. We would like to thank Mrs Loxton and Mrs Finch for planning such a brilliant week and for the staff for providing such a vast array of activities.

**A Happy Christmas to you all from Wychwood CE Primary School.**