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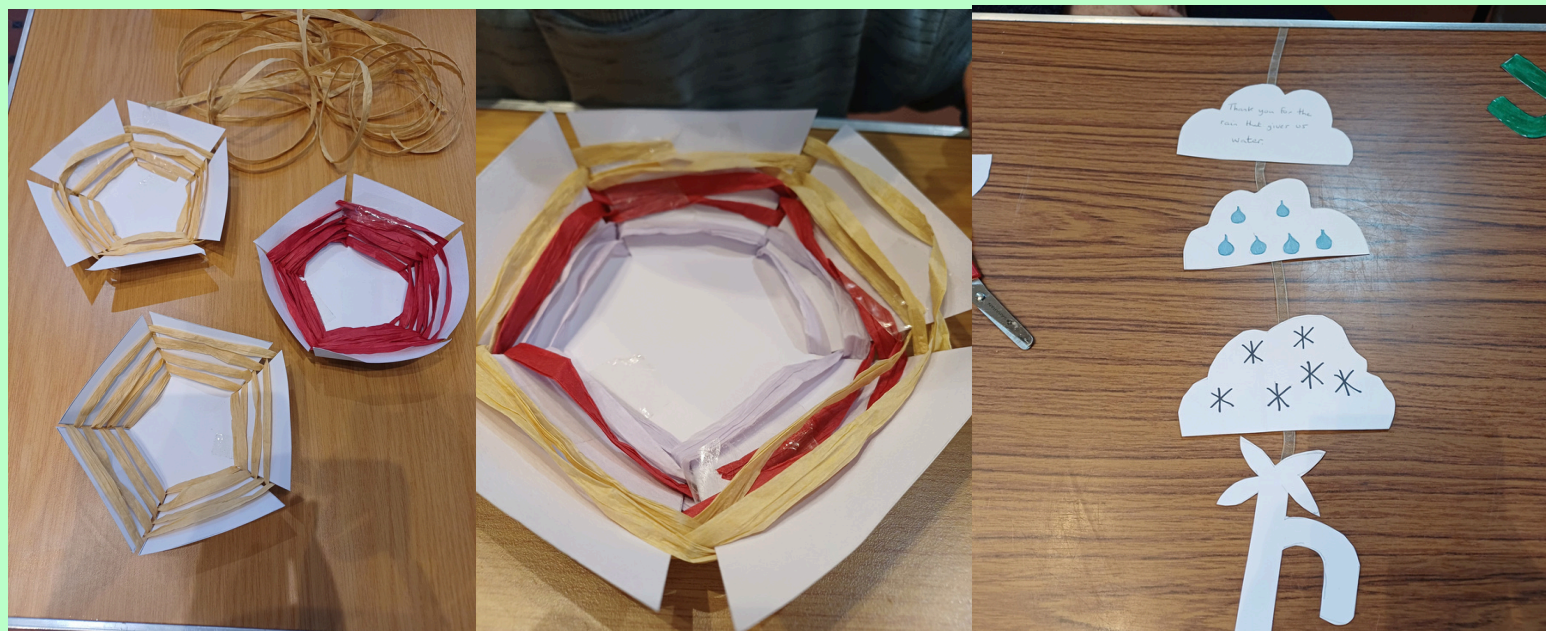
FAMILY NEWSLETTER

LAST TIME

In September:

- We made **Willow Fish**. The harvest from the sea is as important as what we harvest from the land.
- We Made a life size **Bottle Scarecrow**. Even in Biblical times birds wanted to share our harvest. Scarecrows are used to discourage birds from eating the crops.
- We made **Fruit Kebabs**, to remind us of the importance of fruit and growing next year's crops. We discussed seasonal eating and growing food from seeds.
- We made **3 D Fruit**, to think about the shape and substance of fruit.
- We made **3 D Mushrooms**, and discussed how we shouldn't pick wild mushrooms as many are poisonous. The ones we buy are grown in special mushroom farms.
- We made **Season Towers**, to show how crops develop during the year.
- We made **Woven Baskets**. Baskets are used to hold crops when harvested by hand.
- We made **Water Cycle Mobiles** to remind us of the importance of water.
- Our Duplo challenge was to **Build a Farm Vehicle**.





HARVEST

At Harvest time we remember to be thankful for the food we eat. We remember that our food has to be sourced, grown and harvested for us. Many of us will grow some fruit and Vegetables ourselves in our gardens or on allotments.

These days fruit and Vegetables are sold all year around as they are imported from around the world. Seasonal items always taste better though, especially when grown at home!

Our church held a Harvest Festival Service in September. It is an annual celebration giving thanks to God for crops, farming and the food we eat.

This year our Shirley Parish Churches have requested items that are needed by the foodbanks. The foodbanks help the poorest in our community. Items were donated by parishioners, and also by local schools.

Our Messy Church Prayer

Dear God

We give thanks for the food we eat.
We thank you for our beautiful world and the harvest it yields from land and sea.
We ask that you help humanity find ways to assist those in need so that they may have what they need to eat and be healthy.

Amen

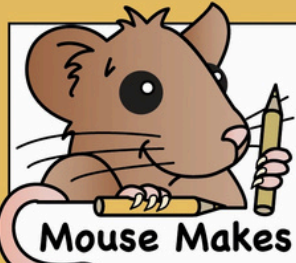


**Our Father in heaven,
you are awesome.
Show us who you are,
and who you want us to be.
Make earth more like heaven.
Please give us what we need to keep
going each day.
Help us when we are wrong,
and clean us up on the inside.
Help us to forgive others and to move
on.
Keep us from bad stuff.
You're in charge!
You're strong and powerful and
always there. Forever!
YES!**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Messy Church - 17th Oct, 21st Nov

Worship4Everyone - 25th Oct, 22nd Nov



Mouse Makes

"May the people **praise** you **God**...
The **land yields** its harvest, God,
our God **blesses** us."
- from Psalm 67:5-6

"**Honour** the
Lord with your
wealth and the
first part of
your **harvest**."
- Proverbs 3:9

"Let us fear and respect the Lord our God.
He gives **autumn** and **spring** rains
at the right time. He makes sure that we
have the harvest at just the right **time**."
- from Jeremiah 5:24

"God... gives you **rain** from
heaven and good harvests
at the right times. He gives
you plenty of **food** and
fills your hearts with **joy**."
- from Acts 14:16-17

"So the one who **plants** is not
important, and the one who **waters**
is not important. Only **GOD** is
important because He is the one
who makes things **grow**."
- 1 Corinthians 3:7

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