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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Dingle's Harvest Appeal 2026

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FOOD, CLOTHING, A SAFE HOME

Yesterday we visited The Black Country Foodbank in Brierley Hill to learn about the vital work of this important charity.





Did you know:

**There are more Foodbanks in the UK than there are Mcdonalds?**

**1 bag of pasta was distributed every minute in 2025.**

**The foodbank provides packages of food to feed families with enough meals for three days.**

**The foodbank also provides toiletries and nappies if families need.**

**You get vouchers from schools, hospitals and other places to use at the Foodbank.**

**In 2025 nearly half a million meals were provided**

**In 2025 52 meals were provided every hour**

**Dudley borough has 11 foodbanks.**

**Last year in Dudley 249,553,275 meals were provided supporting 13,111 adults and 7,984 children.**

This year, we have therefore decided to do our bit to help! Next week, as part of our Harvest celebrations, we would like our school community to bring in donations. We learnt that every tin or packet makes a huge difference.

**Please bring your donations into your classrooms at any point next week.**

We have attached a list of the items that the Foodbank are particularly short of to this letter.

We thank you for your support and hope that together Dingle will be able to help those who need.

(Mrs Richardson, Head Pupils and Eco Ambassadors)



# HARVEST 2026 SHOPPING LIST

**BLACK COUNTRY FOODBANK** HELPS VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN CRISIS THROUGH THE PROVISION OF AN EMERGENCY FOOD AND TOILETRY PARCEL, WHILE A LONGER-TERM SOLUTION IS DEVELOPED

**PLEASE SUPPORT US BY DONATING ITEMS FROM OUR SHOPPING LIST**

- CARTONS OF UHT MILK
- TEA BAGS BOX OF 40'S
- SMALL JARS OF COFFEE
- CARTONS OF LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE
- CORDIAL/SQUASH
- TINNED POTATOES/MASH
- TINNED CHOPPED TOMATOES
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED SOUP
- TINNED READY MEALS (MEATBALLS/MACARONI CHEESE/CHILLI)
- TINNED MEAT
- TINNED FRAY BENTOS PIES
- BREAKFAST CEREAL
- PASTA SAUCE
- SAVOURY RICE
- INSTANT NOODLES
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED CUSTARD/RICE PUDDING
- BARS OF SOAP
- SHOWER GEL
- TOILET ROLL
- ROLL ON DEODORANT
- SHAMPOO

**PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE TO RECEIVE A WEEKLY REMINDER OF OUR SHORTAGES LIST ON YOUR SHOPPING DAY**

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