

4th October 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian

I am writing to invite you to our annual Harvest Festival service and Cross-Country Championships, which will take place on Saturday 19th October 2024.

The Brymore Cross-Country Championships will be held between the Harvest Festival services for the upper and lower school and the timings for the day are as follows:

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| 8.30am | School starts as normal |
| 10.00am - 11.00am | Upper School Harvest Festival, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HA (Years 9, 10 & 11) |
| 11.30am - 12.45pm | Brymore Academy Cross-Country Championships |
| 1.00pm | Lunch (Years 7 & 8) |
| 1.00pm | Years 9, 10 & 11 depart for half-term break (may stay for lunch if they wish) |
| 2.15pm - 3.15pm | Lower School Harvest Festival, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HA (Years 7 & 8) |
| 3.45 pm / 4.00 pm | Years 7 & 8 depart for half-term break (approx.) |

FoBSA will be providing food to be purchased on the day e.g. hot pasties, sausage rolls, bacon baps and hot drinks.

The Minehead/Williton mini-bus will be leaving at approx. 3.45/4.00pm from the front of School House. If your son normally uses this service but **does not** intend to return home on the bus this day, please can you inform the school office using the MyEd app messaging service, by 12 noon on Wednesday 9th October 2024. For those students that use the bus provided by Somerset Council this will leave 4.00pm.

This will be a busy day with many visitors travelling up and down the drive at different times. The **one-way system** where cars come up the front drive and down the back drive, will therefore be in operation.

Please note that this is regarded as a normal school day and **all** boys are expected to attend. Both the Harvest Festival and Cross Country are key events at Brymore and will provide an experience that is not usually offered at other state schools. It is where the Brymore community come together not only to celebrate Harvest but to support each other in the House Cross-Country event.

Finally, we will be collecting produce for a local charity, Bridgwater Food Bank this year. Boys are asked to bring in tinned or packaged items for donation, if you are in a position to do so. All items are to be dropped into tutor rooms over the next two weeks, where there will be a collection box available. Thank you for helping us to support such a worthwhile cause.

I really hope you and your family are able to support your son and attend both the Cross-Country and Harvest Festival and I look forward to seeing you on the day.

Yours faithfully



Stefan McHale
Headteacher