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Dear Parents and Carers,

Executive Principal: Mr M Oldman

Welcome to Leicester

As part of our innovative growth curriculum, we are challenging Orchard Mead pupils to think about the way we can enact our "Orchard Oath" work hard, be kind, be responsible in their daily lives and interaction with others.

We are passionate about creating a sense of community and feel that one of the ways we will do this is by challenging ourselves to think about big questions linked to our weekly assembly themes.

We want our families to get involved at home by dedicating time to discuss the question each week and exploring what they mean to you.

We will be discussing these as a school during communal times, and will be hosting a series of events aimed at engaging our pupils directly with their role in society and the power a collective community has to help others and make a positive difference.

Our first Big Question is "Why should we let refugees into our country?"

We chose this question because there are many refugees entering Great Britain at this point in time, some due to the upheaval in Afghanistan, and they need our help. So next week, along with other Trust schools, we will be collecting toiletries which we intend to deliver to those in need, via the City of Sanctuary.

From Monday 27th September to Friday 1st October we are requesting the following items:

Monday 27th – Welcome with a smile (dental hygiene items)

Tuesday 28th – Showered with kindness (shower gels, soap etc)

Wednesday 29th – Scent with love (Deodorants, body sprays)

Thursday 30th – Hair you are (Shampoo, conditioner etc).

Friday 1st – Nappy Friday (Size 4, 5 and 6 nappies, baby wipes). **This day will also be a non-uniform day, students to make a donation of £1.**

Yours sincerely

Mark Oldman
Executive Principal



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