



Harpley CE Primary School  
Living, Learning & Flourishing

## WEEKLY NEWS AND INFORMATION

'I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.' Psalm 32:8

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please note children need to be in school by 8:55am at the latest. Registration is at 8:55am and lessons start promptly. Attendance is mandatory. If your child arrives after this time, they will be marked late in the register and these marks will stay on their attendance record. Norfolk County Council and the DfE (Department for Education) expect schools to follow up on poor attendance. Please be aware of the effects of poor attendance and punctuality on your child's academic progress, wellbeing, confidence and relationships. Thank you for ensuring your children are in school (when they are well enough) and on time - it makes a big difference.

### ICS FOOTBALL COACHING

<https://forms.gle/oiwJEqc5QVqwBB9Z8>

Please follow this link if you would like to sign up for football coaching.

**Wednesday at Harpley** - Aaron Watson who is a Senior Coach will be delivering the sessions.

### WEEK BEGINNING 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

#### News from the Juniors

Last week we started swimming and we mostly spent time sorting out our groups and being reminded about water safety.

We started a new topic in history. We are going to find out about the time from the stone age to the iron age. On our first lesson we learned about the Paleolithic and the Neolithic people.

When we came to school on Monday we started to read a new book called 'Clockwork (or all wound up)' by Philip Pullman. It's really cool and a bit gruesome.

By Abi and Heidi

If there are any parents who can volunteer some time during the afternoons to hear readers in the Junior class, this would really be appreciated. Please contact the school office or let Mrs Stibbon or Mrs Stephens know if you are able to help with this. Many thanks.

## News from the Infants



We have settled back in to a working routine really quickly after the Christmas break and we are really impressed at how hard the children have been working.

The ladybirds have been reading "The Jolly Postman" and have been thinking about different ways to communicate (letters, postcards, invitations...) They will be having a go at writing their own letters once they have read lots of good examples together first. They are really developing their listening skills.

In fact, we were all good listeners when we had our first dance session this week. We had to listen to the rhythm of the music really carefully and use different parts of our bodies to tap, or move to the rhythm.

We also did something we have not done for a very long time, we got changed for P.E. We were all able to do this independently (including some tricky jumpers) and nobody lost any clothes!!!! We are quite good at folding and making neat piles of clothes. Very organised!

We loved the dance session and can't wait for next week. Don't forget those P.E. kits on a Monday in a named bag. Shorts, a T-shirt and plimsoles or trainers are fine as we are dancing inside. No joggers or jumpers needed (save those for Thursday).

We have also started to send home some phonic information sheets. These include home learning activities. They link directly to the phonics we are learning in class and will be a great resource to use to practice at home. The home learning part can be stuck into homework books once completed.

## REGULAR DATES

**MONDAY - 16<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

## TUESDAY

**FOR THIS WEEK ONLY INFANTS WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR PE KITS INTO SCHOOL WITH THEM TODAY**

## WEDNESDAY

**9.30-11.30 PFA Farmer Fred's visit for the whole school - school uniform please (children must have long sleeves and socks)**

**ICS Coaching after school football club - 4.15pm pick up.**

**3.20 PFA meeting**

## THURSDAY

All to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day. Please could children bring in spare socks and school shoes so that if they have been out on the field and their shoes and socks are wet, they have another pair to change in to.

PE with Rob from ICS Coaching  
Stef Judd guitar and drum tuition

## FRIDAY

AM Juniors swimming at the Oasis in Hunstanton. Helpers this week are Corynn Inward, Lucy Price and Catherine Alexandra-Kaye.

## VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP


This week listened to the story Giraffes Can't Dance. We thought about what it is like to feel different and 'not fit in'. The children came up with lovely ways to welcome others and have tolerance for others. We heard from the bible Matthew 3:13-17 and learned that the baptism of Jesus marks the start of his ministry.

We introduced our Value for Life: THRUTHFULNESS

Our 5 Core Values:



## TERM DATES

2023 AUTUMN TERM 	2023 SPRING TERM 	2023 SUMMER TERM 
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September - Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December (Half term - Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October - Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October)	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March (Half term - Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February)	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July (Half term - Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June)

## ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **96%**.

	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
September	96.48%	93.62%	94.74%
October	92.86%	94.76%	93.99%
November	94.81%	92.89%	93.66%
December	85.12%	91.02%	88.68%

## GREAT MASSINGHAM FOODBANK

Great Massingham Church are running a foodbank which is open every day. This is proving to be of real support to many local families during this time of unprecedented financial hardship. Please use this resource if you need to and please consider donating whatever you can by simply taking tinned or packet goods (including nappies, baby wipes, shampoo, toothpaste etc.) along to the Church. Many thanks.

Kind regards,

The Harpley Team

Website: [gmhfed.norfolk.sch.uk](http://gmhfed.norfolk.sch.uk)

## HARPLEY VILLAGE HALL QUIZ

Wednesday 18th January 2023 - 7pm for 7.30



Now that the Christmas and New Year activities are behind us, get together with a group of friends and come along to the Harpley Village Hall Quiz.

**£2.50 each person. Teams of up to a maximum of 6 people**

**Bring your own drink (tea and coffee available) and snacks – come along and have some fun!**

**PLUS!**

**100 Square (£1 a square) – choose a number to win a £30 prize**

**All proceeds go directly to the Village Hall**

**No need to book a table but numbers are limited so if you don't want to miss out [ring 01485 520652 to book a table](tel:01485520652)**