



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

UNIFORM REMINDER: Please make sure that your child comes in to school wearing the correct school uniform - please check uniform expectations in the school brochure on our website <http://www.gmhfed.norfolk.sch.uk/> In the interests of health and safety, please can all long hair be tied back. We have had several cases of head lice in school recently so it is also advisable to have hair tied up in the interests of hygiene. Several pupils have come in to school wearing nail varnish over the last two weeks. Please can parents and carers ensure that nail varnish is removed before pupils come in to school. Thank you for your support.

We hope you have a wonderful bank holiday weekend and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday. We look forward to seeing the children on Friday in their Coronation dress up clothes 😊. Please see more information in Regular Dates.

A Message from Cat: Last Wednesday I took Heidi and Annabelle to the piano workshop organised by Benjamin and Matthew. They both behaved brilliantly and enthusiastically took part in the activities of the day. Well done Annabelle and Heidi!



Week beginning 24th April 2023

This week's learning highlights:

News from the Infants (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

This week we have been really enjoying reading the story "The Snail and the Whale." We have loved the brilliant story language that Julia Donaldson uses to create such lovely images and have started to collect some to use in our own stories. The Ladybirds have made snail trails using glitter and the Bees have used Axle Scheffler's illustrations and the text to make predictions about what will happen next. The Bees have not yet finished the story (we are reading a bit each day and exploring in depth), and are so excited to get to the end!

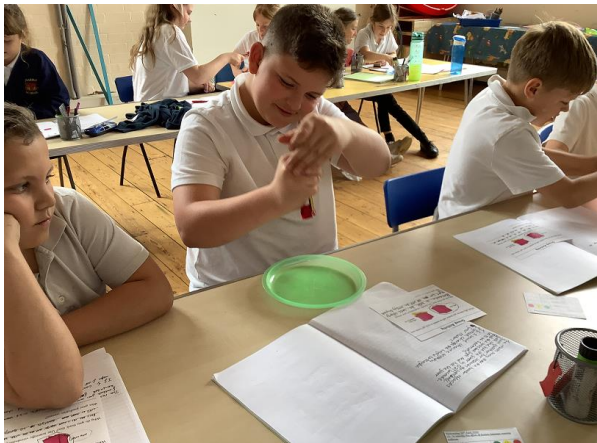
In maths, the Ladybirds are perfecting counting, reading, writing, ordering and building numbers to 20. They are getting really good at seeing the patterns in the way the numbers are made. The Bees have been finding out about capacity and volume (ask them what these words mean) and have had great fun in the water tray learning to compare and order different containers.

News from the Juniors (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6)

We (Y6) started our final Litcham Cluster Book Club book, 'Worst Holiday Ever,' by Charlie Higson. We think it is going to be very amusing based on the blurb and the little snippet we have read so far.

We have been learning cricket skills with Rob, including, how to bowl correctly, this is great fun and we have huge potential 😊.

In RE, we are learning about Hinduism. We learnt that Hindus worship a single God who can be represented as different deities. They are colourful and some have blue skin and extra limbs. By Nelson and Seth



Y5 and 6 investigated the rate at which an object falls, we tested if the weight of an object impacted this. Last week the children planned the investigation, this week, with Miss Harrold at the top of a ladder, we tested the rate at which an object fell. The children were super focused to make sure they stopped the timers at the right time. The children concluded that heavier objects fall faster than lighter objects which proved most of their predictions to be correct. We considered friction and how this is an important force that occurs in everyday life. We explored at how to reduce friction and tested this by using jelly cubes. Firstly, we tried picking up the jelly cubes (between two pencils) without anything on the jelly, then we tried

with jelly coated in oil, the children got to see how the oil reduced the friction and made it harder to pick up the jelly. Year 3 and 4 learnt that changing the size of your pinnae on your ear can affect the volume you hear sounds at. They had great fun making larger pinnae and wearing them to conduct the experiment! In geography, we have been looking at the difference between a village, town and city and learning what you might find in them.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Infants: Ruby for good listening this week.



Juniors:

Charlie for his excellent work in science this week, showing great care and attention to what he produced.

Herbie for hard work and persistence in French this week.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we explored disappointment. We considered some major sporting disappointments for professional sports men and women. We reflected on our own disappointments and how this made us feel. We learnt that overcoming disappointment can make us stronger and it is how we respond that helps us grow. We have a busy sporting calendar this term and hope this will help us during these events.

We continue our Value for Life: HOPE

Our 5 Core Values:



HARPLEY KIND

Harpley Kind met this week to discuss ideas for the Summer term. These included creating areas around the field where reading and craft activities could happen. Other ideas included setting treasure hunts, practising for sports day, creating maths activities and making bracelets and other products to sell at the end of the school day with any proceeds going to the PFA or a charity of their choice.

Watch out for further details as they happen....

REGULAR DATES

MONDAY - 1st May 2023 (Week 3 on the NORSE menu)

Bank holiday

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

ICS Coaching after school football club - **4.15pm pick up**. booking form for the After School Club
- <https://forms.gle/6f2jZryUR4EDiQkR6>

THURSDAY - LUNCH TODAY IS FISH FINGERS AND CHIPS

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 - Class I children will only do a lunchtime club for this half term, not the morning PE session.

Stef Judd guitar and drum tuition

3.30-4.15 gardening club with Phil Peak

FRIDAY - LUNCH TODAY IS CORONATION PICNIC

Coronation dress up day: come to school in red, white and blue or commonwealth flag colours.

Coronation picnic on the field: all parents and families are invited to bring their lunch and a blanket/chair! You are welcome to stay and watch/join in with Ten Step before hometime.

All to come to school in their PE kit, (Infants with their swim wear underneath) 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.**

AM Infant's swimming at the Oasis in Hunstanton. Helpers this week are Corynn Inward, David Sparshott & Emma Piggott

PM whole school Ten Step

Future Dates

Sports Day Tuesday 27th June at 1.15pm (reserve date 4th July at 1.15pm)

Leavers Service Thursday 13th July at 2.00pm

Y6 Induction Day Litcham Monday 17th July and Tuesday 18th July

Autumn Term 2023 Wednesday 6th September - Wednesday 20th December

SUMMER TERM DATES

Tuesday 18th April - Friday 26th May

Monday 5th June - Friday 21st July

Please note Bank Holidays in May: Monday 1st and Monday 8th.

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%
January	92.94%	96.77%	95.23%
February	93.43%	95.48%	94.66%
March	94.06%	94.53%	94.34%

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Kind regards,

The Harpley Team

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