



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,

Mrs Stibbon is now on sick leave - we all wish her well.

Mrs Beardall and Mr Walker are now acting as temporary head teachers until Mrs Stibbon is well enough to return. This is not expected to be before December at the earliest.

Mrs Beardall will be in school on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mr Walker on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. The email address and head's phone number remain the same and are being 'manned' by Mrs B and Mr Walker.

Week beginning 2nd October 2023

This week's learning highlights:

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

Ladybirds have been working hard on pencil grip and can now hold with a 'tripod' grip (3 fingers) Thanks to parents for helping practice at home - it has made a big difference. They are a very well behaved group and have settled so well into school routines- it feels like they have been here forever! They are getting VERY tired but are still working hard.

The Bees have been working on number bonds to 10 and trying to learn them off by heart. The Y2s have been using number bonds to 10 to help with bonds to 100 (10+90, 30+70).

Y1s have focused on using a number line in Maths. They can order numbers to 20 and beyond And have been using the maths vocabulary greater than and less than.

In English, the Bees have been learning how to write questions. Can you practice asking questions at home using 'How', 'Why', 'What', 'When', 'Where' and 'Who'?



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

We have had a lovely week in the Juniors this week, we have spent some time researching the Maya and creating fact files about them, learning things from the fact that they lived in places such as Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, Yucatán Peninsula and El Salvador. The Maya had many cities that they lived in. In total, it is believed there were 60 of them. They also learn that the sacrifice of human life was the ultimate offering of blood to the gods, and the most important Maya rituals culminated in human sacrifice.

In music, we have been learning all about Samba music. The children have been working together to create a Samba band and have been trying out using different samba instruments. They have been working really well and it's clear they enjoy their music lessons.



We have all been working hard at Lynnsport and showing off the advancing gymnastic skills we are gaining.

SPECIAL MENTIONS



Infants: All Ladybirds for improved pencil grip.
All ladybird parents for helping with pencil practice.
Jude for improved focus in writing.

Juniors:

Leo- for his hard work and determination at Lynnsport & amazing Maths.
Leah- for her hard work in History and for producing a great fact file.
Betsy- for her impressive attitude to her work in History.
Nathan- for his hard work in all subjects this week.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Our theme in Collective Worship is courage. This week we learned about how Christians believe that God said not be afraid for He is with them.

Isiah 41:10

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with my righteous right hand.

Our 5 Core Values



REGULAR DATES

TUESDAY

2.00-3.00 Junior gymnastics at Lynnsport. Class J to come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day **PLEASE NOTE PICK UP WILL BE LATER THAN USUAL, 3.30PM UNTIL AFTER 21ST NOVEMBER**

WEDNESDAY

Lunchtime squishies club with Emma. Bring in your squishies to show! (No trading).
ICS Coaching after school football club - **4.15pm pick up.**

Click the link below to book for the After School Club

<https://forms.gle/xmEQoPrwfuGYp3ts5>

THURSDAY

ALL PUPILS to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day.

Children need to 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.

No music tuition with Josh today

3.20-4.15 Gardening Club

FRIDAY

10.45-11.45 Infant gymnastics at Lynnsport. Class I to come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day

2.15 Junior music with Richard Hall

ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **97%**.

	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
September	99%	93%	96%

A good start to the school year - well done everyone, keep up the good work. Fingers crossed we don't get too many winter bugs to lay us low!

A message from Mrs Steel

SEND Spotlight:

Click the link to read September's edition of the SENDIASS Scoop, the redesigned and renamed newsletter from SENDIASS: <https://us19.campaign-archive.com/?u=32e34d30559c96493a4986ddf&id=4be66a3162>

FIRST ADMISSIONS

SCHOOL YEAR 2024/25

Parents of children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 should automatically receive a booklet and application form through the post. Parents can apply online www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk (website open between 25th September 2023 and 14th January 2024)

Or you can contact admissions on 0344 8008020. Applications received after 14th January 2023 will be treated as late and will not be considered until places for all on time applications have been allocated.

Girls Football club and Dodgeball club at Swaffham Leisure Centre.

Links below for anyone interested.

Swaffham Dodgeball

<https://forms.gle/69cSHbY49ihekRAc8>

Swaffham Wildcats

<https://forms.gle/knBM1GWPAHbjhYzR9>