

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

Note from Mrs B - Co Chair of Governors Dear children, parents and friends.

I am sad to tell you that I will be ending my spell as a school governor and therefore as cochair of governors at the end of this year (December 2024).

I will have been a school governor in one form or another 19 years by then! I am beginning to feel torn between my elderly mother's care, grandchildren, family and partner and I know something has to give. So it is with much sadness that I will cease to be a school governor. I would like to thank staff, governors, families and especially the children for their support over the years.

I will ALWAYS hold a very special place in my heart for Great Massingham and Harpley schools - they will always be 'my schools' and I will watch keenly from a distance to see how they progress in coming years.

The Federation Cup football match between Harpley and Great Massingham saw Reggie lift the cup aloft after a good-spirited competitive game. An even start to the game saw both teams scoring 2 goals each. As the game progressed, with action at both ends of the pitch, it was Harpley who came out on top. Excellent sporting behaviour was exhibited throughout. Herbie for Harpley and Nancy for Great Massingham were awarded the 'Best sporting behaviour' trophies. Well done everybody!



Week beginning 10th June 2024

This week's learning highlights:

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

This week we were delighted to have a real life Australian visitor! Georgia who is currently studying at Cambridge Uni, came to visit and answer all our questions about Oz. She was so informative and even joined in with our Australian dance. Thank you so much to the Platt family for loaning her to us. We hope that we can continue this opportunity to make some lasting links with Australia. We have found it to be such an interesting country to learn about.

In other news, the tomato seeds we have planted are growing. Tiny shoots have started to appear and so hopefully soon we will have some lovely tomato plants!







Aubrey and Chloe - for great reading this week Luke - for super writing

Juniors:

Molly for her hard work and enthusiasm in science this week.

Nathan for his attention to detail in his work this week.

All of Y5 for great Maths this week.

Lily for excellent focus and attitude in Maths.

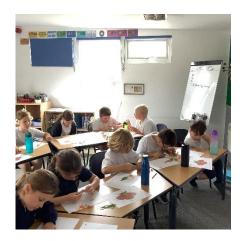
News from the Juniors (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6)

In year 3/4 maths we have been looking at the topic of Time. This week we have been ordering the months of the year and learning the rhyme' 30 days has September, April, June and November, all the rest have 31 except February, 28 days here or 29 in each leap year



This week the year 3 and 4 children have been looking at plants and how stems work. We learnt about the xylem and how these are like straws that carry water and nutrients up through a plant to the leaves for photosynthesis to occur so the plant can create food. We are testing this by using food dye in water so see how the water moves in the plant. We have seen some results already. We also dissected some flowers to find all the different parts of the flower. Year 5 and 6 have been writing adventure stories, inspired by a film clip called 'The Dreamgiver', this has really inspired their imaginations and we have the start of some fabulous adventure stories.





VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP -

Our theme this half term is Wisdom. This week we have been thinking about how it is wiser to forgive than hold a grudge. We have learnt a new song called W.I.S.D.O.M this half term which the children are really enjoying singing!

Our 5 Core Values:











REGULAR DATES

MONDAY - 17th June 2024 (Week 3 on the NORSE menu)

3.20 PFA craft club - Annabelle, Maisie, Oliver P, Romilly, Maud, Oriel, Felicity, Teddie, Rose, Jacob, Esme, Florence, Thomas, Nojus, Ruby R & Aubrey

TUESDAY

<u>ALL PUPILS</u> 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.

AM Tom Relihan, drum lessons PM Ten Step

WEDNESDAY

3.30-4.15 ICS Coaching after school football club https://forms.gle/eAiUJtXF9BJ2Dt9u8

THURSDAY

Junior library day

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3.30-4.30 Gardening Club - Edward, Matilda, Max, Romilly, Maud, Oriel, George O, Reggie O, Chloe P & Tillie, Thomas, Nathan, Luke, Everett, Felicity, Nojus, Felix

FRIDAY

Infant library day
PFA Tuck Shop after school - everything 50p

Future dates

25th June at 1.30pm Sports Day

Year 6 will be able to undertake the slow bike race during sports day on the 25th of June or on our reserve day. Any bikes taking part need to be road worthy, for example both working brakes, the children will need helmets as well for the race. Due to the amount of year 6 we will be holding heats and those children that get through will then undertake the race on sports day, for this to happen could all children who wish to partake bring bikes in on Thursday 20th of June.

27th Junior WW2 Federation Day at Great Massingham (Reserve Sports Day, Thursday 4th July at 1.30pm)

 9^{th} July Feast on the Field (pupils) Parents invited to bring a picnic lunch and join in with Ten Step 10^{th} Y6 Leavers treat

11th July at 2.00pm Leavers Service, Harpley Church

16th 1.30 - 3.00pm Infant Class Fabulous Finale

TERM DATES

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2024 AUTUMN TERM	2025 SPRING TERM	2024 SUMMER TERM
Wednesday 4 th September -	Tuesday 7 th January - Friday 4 th	Monday 15 th April – Friday 19 th
Friday 20 th December	April	July
(Half term - Friday 25 th October	(Half term - Monday 17 th - Friday	(Half term - Monday 27 th May -
- Friday 1st November)	21 st February)	Friday 31 st May)

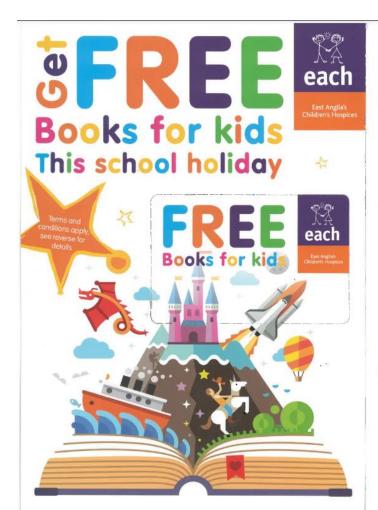


ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is 97%.

May attendance:

Infants 94.85%
Juniors 96.57%
Whole school 95.96%



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