



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

### JEWELLERY

Please can pupils only wear simple, functional head bands with no large or long attachments. Pupils should not wear earrings (other than studs), bracelets and rings. We have had several pupils in school since the start of term wearing these items. We find that these are a distraction whilst pupils are learning as well as being a health and safety concern. Pupils also get upset when these items get lost or damaged. We would also like to remind parents and carers that nail varnish should not be worn in school. Many thanks for your support.

### Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024

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



The Ladybirds are settling in really well. They are continuing to enjoy exploring their new learning environment both inside and out. We have started our phonics this week and have already learned 4 sounds!



Well, we have had a rather strange week this week with the news that there may be a monster in the loose around school! Whilst friendly, this beast looks very hungry...

We then found a book called "Billy and the Beast" and think that maybe our monster is the "Beast" from the book. We have read the beginning of the book and are just about to meet the beast! A real cliff hanger! We will let you know what we find out.

Also we have been beginning to get into our topic "How can we look after our planet" and have been looking at Atlases and Google Earth to spot places we know. we have already learned the names of the seven continents (Yr 2 were already pros) and can name the 5 oceans.

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

This week the juniors have been busy getting to grips with their new texts. Year 5 and 6 have been enjoying different retellings of 'The Three Little Pigs' and using an advert created by the guardian to spark interest for their writing. The advert talks about getting the full picture and both sides of the stories. They have also been looking at 'The Good Thieves' and learning about the 1920's in New York, we have spent a lot of time talking about how someone could be a 'good thief' and what this may look like. Year 3 and 4 have been immersing themselves in the magic of 'Leon and the Place Between' and writing some lovely sentences with ambitious vocabulary to make sure we are not always using the same words in sentences and making them more exciting and attention grabbing. They have also been exploring with 'Arthur and the Golden Rope' an adventure story set in the time of the Vikings! They are exciting to find out how Arthur develops into the 'unlikeliest' of heroes. We have lots of theories as to what might happen next.

It has been lovely to have the juniors back in this week and we have had a fabulous week.

#### SPECIAL MENTIONS



##### **Infants:**

**Rose and Oliver** - for sharing their excellent knowledge of the world in topic work.

**Oriel** - for showing brilliant learning behaviour.

**Ruby** - for some great writing this week.

##### **Juniors:**

**Edward** for his determination in PE this week.

**Thomas** for his fabulous attitude to his writing this week

**Chloe P** for her great independent writing this week.

**Anna** for her hard work and determination in PE this week

#### VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP -

Collective Worship: This week in Collective Worship, we have started to think about our new theme for this half term, forgiveness.

Our School Vision is: " I will instruct you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you" (Psalm 32:8).

Our 5 Core Values:



### **REGULAR DATES**

Please note that there is a change to start and end of the day times from September: School gates are open 8.40am - 8.50am (the gate will close at 8.50 and after this time your child will be marked in the register as late) Pick up will be 3.20pm.

### **MONDAY - 16<sup>th</sup> September 2024 (Week 1 on the NORSE menu - please pay for school lunches on a Monday)**

Guitar lessons with Toby Rideout - To sign up please contact Toby on

[toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk](mailto:toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk)

8.40-1.15 Reception children school transition session

### **TUESDAY**

8.40-1.15 Reception children school transition session

AM Tom Relihan, drum tutor

To sign up please contact Tom via email on [tomrelihan@gmx.com](mailto:tomrelihan@gmx.com)

2.00-3.00 Junior gymnastics at Lynnsport. Come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day. They will return slightly after the end of the school day.

PLEASE BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU PARK ON NETHERGATE STREET. ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON THIS WEEK, THE COACH WAS UNABLE TO TURN SO THAT IT COULD REVERSE INTO SCHOOL LANE. THIS MEANT THAT THE CHILDREN HAD TO ALIGHT ONTO THE ROAD WHICH WAS NOT SAFE. PLEASE ALSO BE AWARE THAT AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PASS WITH CARS PARKED ON NETHERGATE STREET IN THIS WAY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS MATTER.

3.30-4.15 ICS Coaching after school football club

<https://icscoaching.pembee.app/activity/668fca15b2e9c7f0e17589b1>

### **WEDNESDAY**

8.40-1.15 Reception children school transition session

### **THURSDAY**

All pupils 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.

8.40-1.15 Reception children school transition session - please can they come to school in their PE kits.

3.30-4.15 Gardening Club

## **FRIDAY**

Infant library day

10.45-11.45 Y1 & Y2 (not Reception) gymnastics at Lynnsport. Come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day

8.40-1.15 Reception children school transition session - Please let Sue know if your Reception pupil would like a school meal or a school packed lunch

PFA Tuck Shop after school - everything 50p

## **Future dates**

2<sup>nd</sup> October - Federation School Visit, KS2 pupils

**14<sup>th</sup> October 2.00pm Harvest Festival in St Lawrence Church**

27<sup>th</sup> Bikeability Learn to Ride

W/C 4<sup>th</sup> November - Parent consultations

8<sup>th</sup> November School photographer

18<sup>th</sup> November whole school flu vaccinations

21<sup>st</sup> November Y6 NCMP / Year R NCMP, Hearing & Vision screening

### **Find out more on the official No Cold Child website.**

No child should know what it feels like to go to school feeling cold. According to exclusive Parentkind research, up to 144,000 children in the UK will go without a warm coat this winter. This figure could rise to as many as 150,000 children by 2025. No child should have to walk to school in the cold because their parents can't afford to buy them a warm, winter coat.

Going to school without a coat affects children's health, their ability to learn and can even make them feel excluded – teachers have told us that if a child doesn't have a coat, they'll often make excuses to stay inside at lunchtimes rather than head out to the playground with their friends.

This is why we've launched our major new campaign to make sure no child at your school goes without a warm coat this winter. No Cold Child will help combat the growing levels of poverty in the UK.

### **What's the goal?**

Working with FatFace, we have access to 10,000 coats to help children in schools that need them. This is an ambitious project, but the UK faces a winter coat emergency if urgent action isn't taken.




The coats are available to registered PTAs who are members with Parentkind. You can also pledge £10 to give a child a coat this winter.

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/no-cold-child>





## TERM DATES

2024 AUTUMN TERM 	2025 SPRING TERM 	2025 SUMMER TERM 
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September - Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December (Half term - Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October - Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November)	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April (Half term - Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February)	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April - Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July (Half term - Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May)

Please can all absences be emailed or texted (rather than telephoned) with a reason, because we have to evidence all absences.



## ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **97%**.

July attendance:  
 Infants  
 Juniors  
 Whole school

## We will be complying with the National Threshold for Penalty Notice Fines



**Norfolk**  
County Council

# Penalty Notice Fines for School Attendance are changing!

With the introduction of the new National Framework for Penalty Notices, the following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued **after 19th August 2024**.

### **Per Parent, Per Child**

Penalty Notice Fines are issued to each parent, for each child that was absent. For example: 3 siblings absent for term time leave, would result in each parent receiving 3 separate fines.

### **National Threshold**

There will be a single consistent national threshold for when a penalty notice must be considered by all schools in England of 10 sessions (usually equivalent to 5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10 school week period. These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can be made up of a combination of any type of unauthorised absence. The 10-school week period can span different terms or school years.

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### **First Offence**

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:

- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.
- Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

### **Second Offence (within 3 years)**

- The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence the amount will be:
- £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days.

### **Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)**

- The third time an offence is committed a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court. Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines of up to £2,500.
- Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.





### CLOTHES & TEXTILE RECYCLING

Planning a 'clear out'? Don't forget the school textile bank for unwanted clothes, shoes, bedding, curtains etc, in fact any material. The more we put in there the more we'll get, please support it - every little helps! From November 2023-February 2024 we raised £29.70.

The Making Sense of SEND event at the Charles Burrell Centre in Thetford takes place on the 19<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Follow this link to find out more and book your free tickets:

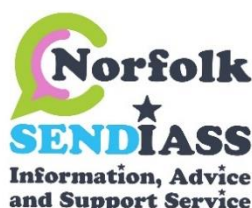
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/making-sense-of-send-205549>



### [Making Sense of SEND](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/making-sense-of-send-205549)

View all of our upcoming Making Sense of SEND events in one place!

[www.eventbrite.co.uk](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk)



Come and see

# *NORFOLK SENDIASS*

## *At your local Library*



**Jo Thompson,  
Engagement & Advice Worker**

**will be on hand to answer your questions and give  
next steps advice on SEND education.**

**Drop in and see how she can help;**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October, Fakenham 1-3pm  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November, Holt 1-2.30pm, Wells 3-5pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November, Fakenham 1-3pm  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November, Holt 1-2.30pm, Wells 3-5pm

**Saturday 28th September 2024**  
**Harpley Village Hall**  
**10am-1pm**



Raffle. Donkeys (weather permitting)  
Tombola. 2nd hand book stall  
Teas and coffees. Handmade bracelets  
and more...

Contact :Ceri 07859 393075

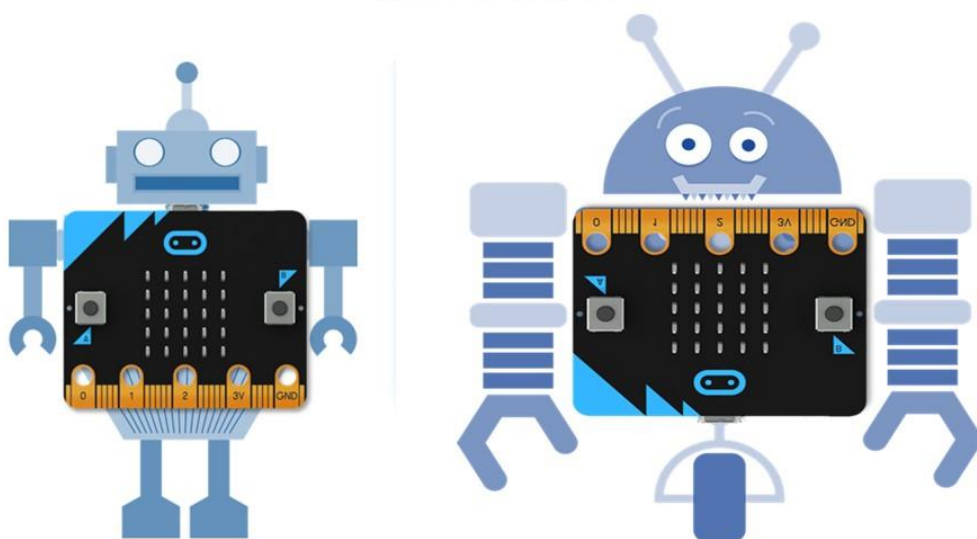


Tombola/raffle/cake/book/bric n brac donations gratefully received – please speak to Ceri



# Microbit Sessions

Learn how to code games,  
animations and more using a  
**Microbit**



Suitable for children aged 8+. Book one or all sessions.

## Fakenham Library

Fridays 6th and 13th September

Fridays 11th and 18th October

3.45pm to 4.45pm

To book contact the library on 01328 862715 or pop in and see staff

# **Children's Craft Time**

## **Fakenham Library**

**Join in to make friends  
and try out simple, fun  
crafting activities**

**Every Monday (term time only)  
3.30 - 4.30pm**



Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.  
For further info call 01328 862715