



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

Message from Mrs Stibbon:

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a lovely summer and enjoyed the beautiful weather we had. We are so pleased with the way that the children have settled back into school - the atmosphere is quiet and purposeful already! Our new children have made a great start and are already getting used to their new school. As you will know, this will be my last term as Headteacher of the Federation. Interviews are taking place next week so we will soon be able to let you know who will be the new Headteacher from January 2025.

We have a newly painted Junior classroom, it's looking fantastic. Huge thanks to Sam Pitcher at Kent Blaxill Decorating Centre for providing all the paint for us. And thanks to John, our Caretaker, for doing all the decoration (and other areas of the school).



Mrs West asks if all Reception children can wait with their adults whilst waiting by the Reception classroom gate. Children are not allowed on the trim trail before/after school. Thank you.

Week beginning 4th September 2024

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

Well what a great first few days back in the infants. Our new starters (the ladybirds) have been amazing and are already settling in well. They look so smart in their new uniform!

The Bees have already been busy and have particularly enjoyed some maths investigations this week as part of our inspirational maths week. They have been learning how to solve problems and to think of different ways to record their findings. A great effort. Behaviour has been exemplary and the children have been proud of their positive attitude to their learning.



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

We have had a great first few days with the juniors. It's been lovely to hear all about the exciting things they got up to over the holidays. We have had a busy few days back. We have started looking at our new topic for history The Romans and learnt about early Rome and the stories that surround the start of Rome. In PE this half term the children will be working on their football skills, that started this week by looking at skills to control the football, as they progress through the term they children will be looking at passing skills and shooting skill as well. They will the. Apply these skills to some matches. Some of the children have been completing bikeability over the last few days, the instructors have been very impressed with the attitudes and commitment from the pupils taking part!

SPECIAL MENTIONS



Infants:

Juniors:

Jacob for his positive attitude to being in juniors and showing excellent enthusiasm in all he has been doing.

Nojus for his excellent attitude to learning this week

Katie for showing brilliant enthusiasm this week.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP -

Collective Worship: This week in Collective Worship, we have been thinking about our Vision and Values. We talked about what these mean to us and how we can live our lives through them.

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 - 9th September 2024 (Week 3 on the NORSE menu - please pay for school lunches on a Monday)

8.45-11.45 Reception children school transition session

TUESDAY

8.45-11.45 Reception children school transition session

AM Tom Relihan, drum tutor

2.00-3.00 Junior gymnastics at Lynnsport. Come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day

3.30-4.15 ICS Coaching after school football club

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

WEDNESDAY

8.45-11.45 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.

8.45-11.45 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
 8.45-12.30 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




14th October 2.00pm Harvest Festival in St Lawrence Church
 8th November School photographer
 18th November whole school flu vaccinations
 21st November Y6 NCMP / Year R NCMP, Hearing & Vision screening



TERM DATES

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

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



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.

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'.

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



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!

Unfortunately I have no idea when they collect and don't have anyone to contact. I have emailed to ask for more pick-ups and, maybe, a new collection bank but have not had a reply.

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



**COME FOR
COFFEE
AND
CAKE**

**WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT**



Raffle. Donkeys (weather permitting)

Tombola. 2nd hand book stall

Teas and coffees. Handmade bracelets
and more...

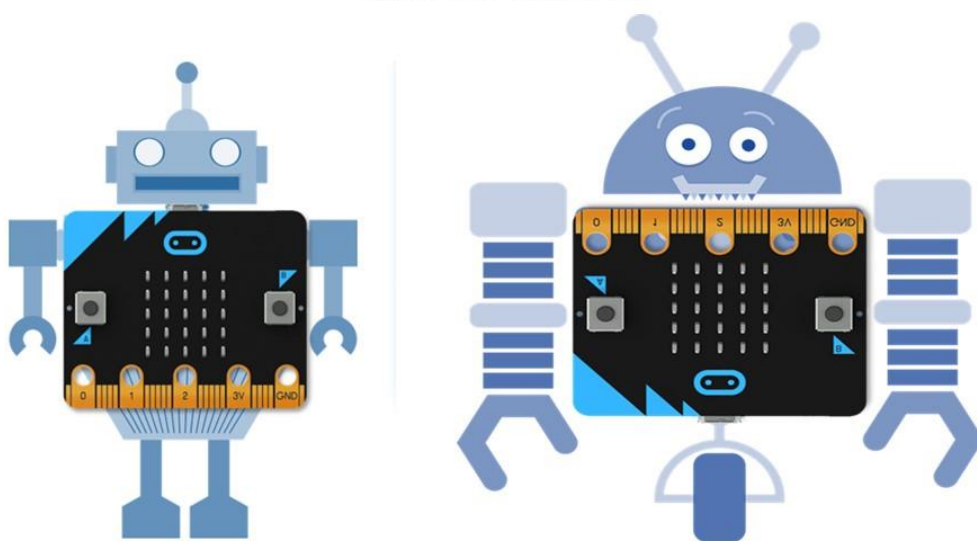
Contact :Ceri 07859 393075



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

ALIVE

LTA
YOUTH START

LTA YOUTH START TENNIS PROGRAMME

Alive Lynnsport

6 week course £34.99

Every Wednesday from 11 September

5pm-6pm - 5-7yrs

SCAN ME



6-7pm - 8-11yrs

SCAN ME



Includes an LTA
Youth Start Tennis
Racket, Set of Balls,
Branded
T-shirt, Activity
Cards & Certificate!

