



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

### Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

ICS holiday club - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October - please click the link below if you would like to participate.

<https://icscoaching.pembee.app/?filters=663a16b2978bf17ae904a4d4-Harpley>

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

This week the Bees have been so inspired by the work of environmental artist Andy Goldsworthy. We have studied some of his amazing sculptures, looking closely at the materials he used (including cow poo!). We went outside to gather our own resources (NOT POO!) and have a go at making some sculptures ourselves. You will see some of the results below.

We have also been thinking about the impact of single use plastics on our environment. Plastic is a big problem for our environment. This video shows you why. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/articles/zpphywx>

How about going on a litter pick this weekend? we would love to see your pics! We made a skittles game out of empty bottles in order to REUSE them. We are planning on making our own art aprons using old, unwanted shirts. If you have any adult sized, plain, shirts we could REUSE them so please don't throw them away but pass them our way. Many thanks.

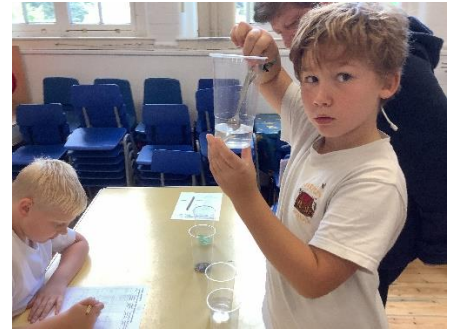
The Ladybirds have been very busy again this week and have have been really getting to know each other well. They have learned all about allergies and what this means. They have also been working really hard on listening carefully in order to follow instructions. Simon says is a really good game to help with this. Why not try at home?

They have been reading the book "Where the wild things are" and have particularly enjoyed the unusual illustrations.



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

This week year 5 and 6 have been looking at soluble and insoluble materials. They conducted an experiment to find out what materials would dissolve and create a solution and which would not. We used salt, sugar, paper, cornflour and rocks. They tested them in both hot and cold water to see if this made a difference to the objects dissolving or not. Year 3 and 4 have been looking at vertebrates and invertebrates and investigated and researched an invertebrate of their choice. In English we have been looking at diary's from year 5 and 6 and they have been thinking from the perspective of the pigs this week.



## SPECIAL MENTIONS ★

### Infants:

**Reg** for some excellent composing in our music session

**Maisie** for showing such enthusiasm in art

**Felix** for working really hard on his joined up handwriting

### Juniors:

**Matilda** for her hard work across all subjects this week.

**Molly G** for her quick data research skills in computing this week

## VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP -

Collective Worship: This week, we have been thinking about forgiving others as we would like to be forgiven.

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**

School gates are open 8.40am - 8.50am (the gate closes at 8.50 and after this time your child will be marked in the register as late) Pick up is 3.20pm.

### **MONDAY – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 (Week 3 on the NORSE menu – please pay for school lunches on a Monday)**

Norfolk County Council Parent Maths Workshops. KS2 9 -11.00am, KS1 1 -3.00pm at Great Massingham

Guitar lessons with Toby Rideout – To sign up please contact Toby on [toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk](mailto:toby@rideoutmusic.co.uk)

### **TUESDAY**

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.

3.30-4.15 ICS Coaching after school football club

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

### **WEDNESDAY**

KS2 federation visit to Norwich Castle – please be at school by 8.30am – lunchboxes, full school uniform, coats, sensible footwear and Harpley caps.

### **THURSDAY**

Junior library day

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.

**12.00 menu change – see below**

3.30-4.15 Gardening Club

### **FRIDAY**

Infant library day

10.45-11.45 Infants gymnastics at Lynnsport. Come to school in their PE kits and remain in them all day

PFA Tuck Shop after school – everything 50p



Please let the office know if you would like this menu change for Thursday.

#### Future dates

14<sup>th</sup> October 2.00pm Harvest Festival in St Lawrence Church - everything collected will be taken to our local Foodbank.

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

#### FIRST ADMISSIONS




##### SCHOOL YEAR 2024/25

Parents of children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 should automatically receive a booklet and application form through the post. Parents can apply online

[www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk](http://www.admissionsonline.norfolk.gov.uk) (website open between 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024 and 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025)

Or you can contact admissions on 0344 8008020. Applications received after 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025 will be treated as late and will not be considered until places for all on time applications have been allocated.

## 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.**



# 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.

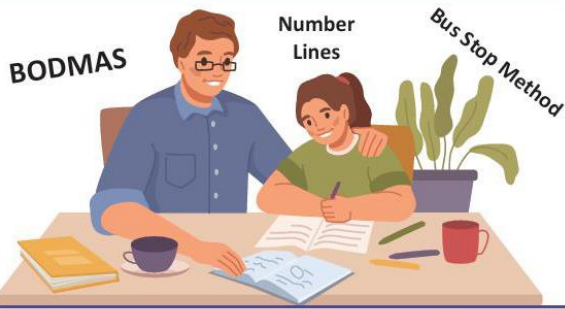
## **Second Offence (within 3 years)**

- 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'.

## KS1 Family Learning - Great Massingham



Do you find it hard helping your child or grandchild with their Maths homework?  
Could you explain 'place value' or understand number lines?  
Have you heard of 'Numicon' or 'Base Ten' but have no idea what they are or how to use them?

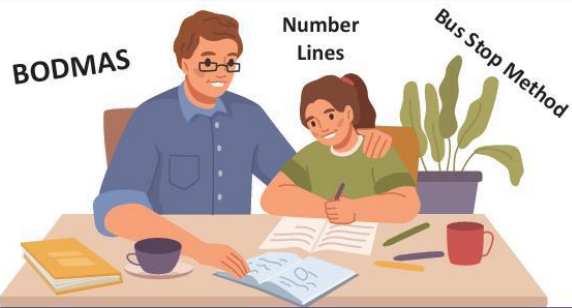
Norfolk County Council will be at Great Massingham Primary School - Monday 30th September from 1:00pm to 3pm to provide FREE support and information so you can help your child with their Maths. FREE Base 10 and/or Numicon will also go out to take home.

This session will focus on EYFS and KS1 'Calculations'. Parents will have an hour with a professional tutor, going through modern teaching methods. Pupils will then join parents/carers to work together for a further hour, using these new skills and equipment to solve fun Maths tasks.

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## KS2 Family Learning - Great Massingham



Do you find it hard helping your child or grandchild with their Maths homework?  
Could you explain 'grid method', 'bus stop' or understand number-line chunking?  
Have you heard of 'Base Ten' but have no idea what it is or how to use it?

Norfolk County Council will be at Great Massingham Primary School - Monday 30th September from 9:00am to 11:00am to provide FREE support and information so you can help your child with their Maths. FREE Base 10 and/or bead strings will also go out to take home.

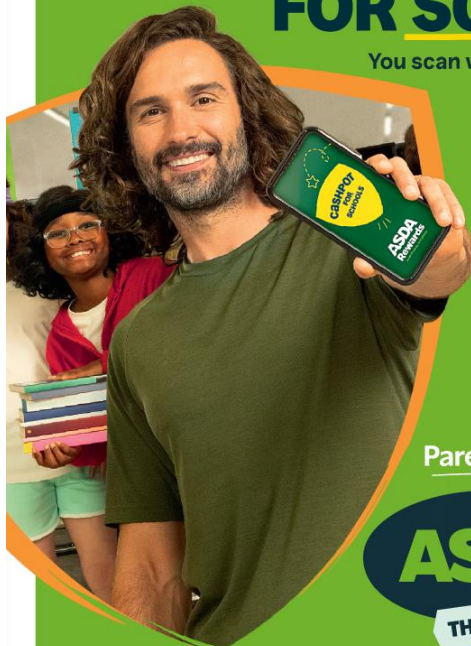
This session will focus on upper KS2 'Multiplication & Division'. Parents will have an hour with a professional tutor, going through modern teaching methods. Pupils will then join parents/carers to work together for a further hour, using these new skills and equipment to solve fun Maths tasks.

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



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