

HARPLEY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

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AUTUMN TERM 2019 NEWSLETTER

DIARY DATES

October

Tuesday 1st 9.00am

Class I Phonics workshop

Wednesday 2nd

Litcham Open Evening

Friday 4th

AM Gresham's Cross Country

PM Macmillan Coffee 'Morning'

KS2 Art Exhibition - all proceeds to Macmillan

Wednesday 9th

11.00 Y6 height & weight measurement

Tuesday 15th

2.30 YR parents meeting

Friday 18th

1.45pm Harvest Festival in St Lawrence Church

School closes for half term

School re-opens at 8.40am on Monday 28th October

November

Tuesday 5th

KS2 parents evening - appointment letters to follow

Wednesday 6th

YR-Y6 flu vaccinations

December

Tuesday 3rd

Christmas decorating afternoon

Tuesday 10th

Christmas performances

Friday 13th

PFA arrangement

Monday 16th

Christmas Party Day

Tuesday 17th

12.00 whole school Christmas lunch

2.00 Christingle in St. Lawrence Church

School closes for Christmas at 3.20pm on

Wednesday 18th December.

School re-opens at 8.40am on Monday 6th January

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AUTUMN 2019

Top Sport

Y1-Y6 every Tuesday 3.20-4.20 from 10th

September - Tuesday 26th November

Piano Lessons

Provided by Benjamin Howell on Wednesday mornings

Guitar & Drum Lesson

Provided by Stef Judd on Fridays

Craft Club

YR-Y6 every Thursday 3.20-4.20 from 19th

September - 28th November

Gardening Club

Every Wednesday 3.20-4.20 until half term



Welcome back to a new school year — I hope everyone had a good summer. We are very pleased to welcome our new Reception children Hattie, Hallie, Osten, Anna, Nathan, Edward & Matilda. Welcome also to Piper who joins Year 4.



HEADTEACHER/ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER CONTACT

Welcome to Sarah Stuart, our Class I Teacher (Wednesdays). Mrs Kirsten Stibbon, our Assistant Headteacher across the Federation, will be supporting Mrs Beardall with Leadership and Management. She will be at Harpley on Wednesdays (alternate weeks), Thursday afternoons and Friday mornings. Mrs Beardall will be working on a Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and will be at Harpley School on a Monday morning, Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday (alternating with Mrs Stibbon). Mrs Beardall/Mrs Stibbon can also be contacted on the headteacher's phone 07825104854 or at Great Massingham 01485 520362. Of course, it is always possible to speak directly to a class teacher or other member of staff and this may result in issues being dealt with more promptly.

ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is 96%.

May's overall attendance was 96.7%
Infants = 96.49%
Juniors = 96.85%

June's overall attendance was 97.9%
Infants = 97.98%
Juniors = 97.84%

July's overall attendance was 94.28%
Infants = 93.92%
Juniors = 94.54%

**Attendance from September 2018 to July
= 96.01%**

**Please avoid late marks - registration is at
8.55 prompt.**

As part of our Safeguarding procedures we need to know a reason for absence before 9.30am.

If we don't hear, we will try everyone on the child's contacts list, on the original application form, in turn, until we get a response.

TERM DATES



2019 AUTUMN TERM

Wednesday 4th September - Wednesday 18th December
(Half term - Monday 21st October - Friday 25th October)



2020 SPRING TERM

Monday 6th January - Wednesday 1st April
(Half term - Monday 17th - Friday 21st February)



2020 SUMMER TERM

Monday 20th April - Tuesday 21st July
(Half term - Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May)

HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

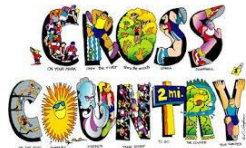
Please remember we cannot authorise ANY holidays in term time and any holiday absence will be recorded as UNAUTHORISED.



FIRST ADMISSIONS TO SCHOOL – SCHOOL YEAR 2020/21

Parents of children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 should automatically receive a booklet and application form through the post. Parents can apply online at www.admissions.norfolk.gov.uk (website open between 27th September 2019 and 15th January 2020)

Or you can contact admissions on 0344 8008020. Applications received after 15th January 2020 will be treated as late and will not be considered until places for all on time applications have been allocated.



GRESHAM'S CROSS COUNTRY

GM and Harpley Federation of Schools are sending a team of children to compete in the Cross Country Championship on 4th October. Lyn Richardson, Vicky Brown and Veronica Williams have kindly agreed to train the team.



HARVEST

We will be collecting for the Food Bank again this year as part of our Harvest celebrations. The children will watch the Harvest DVD from the Food Bank in assembly time before our Harvest Service. This year the Food Bank would be very grateful for tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables, tinned meat, tinned fruit, juice/squash and tinned puddings.

Thank you for your support.

Our Harvest Festival will be at St Lawrence Church, Harpley at 1.45pm on Friday 18th October.

LITCHAM CLUSTER WRITING COMPETITION AND WORKSHOP

Pupils in KS1 and 2 will be creating a story for a Cluster Writing Competition to be judged by the author Helen Moss. Winning entries will be invited to attend a writing workshop at Litcham School with Helen on Friday 11th October.

SCHOOL IMMUNISATION

The school immunisation team will be visiting school on Wednesday 6th November 2019. This year the flu vaccine will be offered to all children. Please see email sent home on 18/09/2019 explaining how to consent or decline the vaccination for your child/ children.

PARENTS' MEETINGS

RECEPTION

2.30pm on Tuesday 15th October. This will be an early opportunity for Reception parents to see how the children have settled in to the new school year, to ask any questions and to see what the children are doing in school.

WEEKLY BULLETINS AND TEXTS

All parents should receive a weekly bulletin by email on a Friday and texts from our Teacher2Parent texting system, which you can reply to. Please let Mrs Turner know if you are not receiving emails or texts from school. Please remember to tell us if your email address or phone/mobile numbers change.

PLEASE remember to read the weekly bulletins – we try hard to include as much information as we can.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

Parents, carers, family and friends are invited to attend our weekly celebration assemblies on Friday mornings at 9.00am. This is our opportunity to say a public well-done to children who have excelled in their work, behaviour and attitude throughout the week.

SCHOOL PICK UP

For safeguarding we must know if your child/children are going home with anyone other than the adults who regularly collect. Please speak to Mrs Turner or another member of staff in the morning if there is a change to the norm or

phone/text school if there is a change of plan for pick up during the day. Mr Heazel checks the answer- phone & texts before the end of the day on a Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Mr Heazel checks the phone on a Wednesday afternoon.



FUNDRAISING



100 CLUB

June's winners:

- 1st Gert Beardall
- 2nd Harriet Gray
- 3rd Kevin Watts

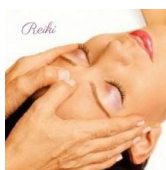
July's winners

- 1st Helen Walker
- 2nd Sarah Bingham
- 3rd Pippa Case

100 Club raised £378.50 this year.



The PFA Ball raising an amazing £2223.71 towards our refurbishment of our library. Thank you to everyone who worked incredibly hard!



Claire Mason (Teddy's mum) donated £80 to school. She did some Reiki sessions to raise money for the school. Thank you.



Thank you to Ron Cushley (Mrs Cushley's husband) who re-felted one of our playhouses, and replaced the door and window frames. He also put up our new fencing around the amphitheatre, donating his time to our school.



Class I raised £184 from their art exhibition. This money has been used to purchase art equipment for the classroom.



Are there any parents with hidden talents we can occasionally use in school? We would love to hear from you if you can sew, or have a flair for art, love cooking or are crafty



SCHOOL DINNERS

School dinners cost £2.30 each (£11.50 per week). YR-Y2 are still free under the Universal Infant Free School Meals programme.



CLOTHES & TEXTILE RECYCLING

Planning a 'clear out'? Don't forget the school textile bank for unwanted clothes, shoes, bedding, curtains etc. This is a great earner for our school, for no effort. Please support it - every little helps! Between September 2018 - December 2018 £80.10 was raised



NO CARS IN SCHOOL LANE

PLEASE KEEP SCHOOL LANE CAR FREE* at the start and end of a school day to keep the children safe.

PLEASE park at the Village Hall or the pub, or avoid parking by dropping pupils safely on the pavement on School Road side of Nethergate St, allowing them to walk the very short final part of the journey themselves, if you feel they are old enough to do so. We know that it can be inconvenient and takes a little longer to deliver and collect the children but our aim is to safeguard the children at all times. We know children's safety is important to parents so please help us by keeping cars out of school Lane. Thank you

*Disabled drivers and parents with babies or very young children should let the school know if they need to drive into School Lane.



ASSEMBLY / COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Our theme for collective worship this term will be **THANKFULNESS**. Parents are very welcome to join us for collective worship on any day. This takes place at 10.25 every morning.

Rev Judith will be taking assemblies during the term.

CLASS TOPIC WORK THIS TERM

If you have any questions about your child's work or if you can help in any way, please speak to the class teacher.

TOPIC WORK AS FOLLOWS

YR & KS1

There's no place like Home

English- The Gruffalo

Maths - place value, calculations (addition, subtraction, multiplication), problem solving, & money.

Science -Animals including humans; seasonal changes

Geography - UK locational knowledge

R.E. - Why do people have celebrations?

ICT - e-safety, Espresso coding

P.E. - ball skills, games

KS2

Literacy - fiction, newspaper writing, poetry, persuasive writing, biography

Maths - Place value, Add, Subtract, Multiply & Divide, (y5/6 only - fractions)

Topic - **How has the role of women changed in Britain since 1066?** We will be thinking

about how the status and attitude towards women have changed in both the public and domestic sphere as well as looking at individuals who have been pioneers in their own field of expertise.

RE - How are Christians inspired by Jesus and how do they work to bring God's kingdom on Earth?

PE - Games

SCIENCE - Earth and Space; Animals including Humans; Life cycle, gestation

Computing - E-Safety; Email (year 3); Coding; Multimedia presentations

MFL - (Y3/4) Spanish: greetings

(Y5/6) French: parts of the body; third person singular, telling the time



PFA CHRISTMAS FAYRE

FRIDAY 6th

This year the PFA and children will be holding a Christmas Fayre, in the School Hall, on Friday 6th December 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Stalls will include a traditional tombola & 100 square. There will be lots of fun and games for the children, including a craft stall. Donations for these stalls would be very much appreciated. Boxes are in the cloakroom from for donations for the 100 square & tombola. Children are asked to to fill and decorate a jar. Jars can be found in the cloakroom next to the wellies. The should be decorated it in a way that disguises or hides the contents. The jar contents

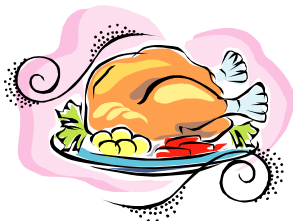
could include wrapped sweets, small toys, hair clips, stickers etc.

We ask that EVERY child provides at least one jar - that way every child has the chance to buy one - and they are VERY popular!

Volunteers to man the stalls on the day would also be very welcome. Please let us know if you are able to help.

Please invite family, friends and neighbours to attend.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH



School Christmas Lunch will be on Tuesday 17th December this year.

As ever it will be a very festive affair with crackers and all the trimmings. It is a school tradition that **ALL** pupils have a hot meal on this date so they can join in the festivities. Obviously we will not refuse anyone the chance to bring a packed lunch but we ask that you encourage your child to take part in this important school event. There will not be a sprout in sight and no-one will be made to eat anything they don't like!

The menu is as follows or very similar:-

Turkey portion with stuffing & chipolata

Roast potatoes

Carrot batons

Garden peas

Gravy

Ice cream tub with a festive shortbread biscuit

OR

Vegetarian roast
stuffing

Vegetarian gravy

Roast Potatoes

Carrot batons

Garden peas

dessert as above

£2.30 per meal, payable by **Monday 16th December.**

PARTY PARTY PARTY !

Monday 16th December

The School Christmas Party will be on Monday 16th December. Children can come to school in their party clothes on this date. Please be aware that normal playtimes in the morning and after lunch will be outdoors (weather permitting) so clothes for the day should be practical as well as party glamorous!

Instead of the children having lunch and then party food again in the afternoon we plan to have a buffet party lunch for the children, as we have in previous years. We would like each family to provide an item of party food such as squash/juice, nibbles, mini cakes, fruit, sandwiches and salad vegetables. A list of suggested party food will be put up in the cloakroom in December. Please let us know what you will be sending into school by putting the family name beside the item you wish to send. Thank you.

FEEDBACK

We would like your views on Induction and the start of the school year.

For example:

What went well? What did the children enjoy?

What could be better?

Please also feel free to feedback to us on any other school issues. Your opinions and ideas matter to us so do have your say!

You can let OFSTED and the wider world know what you think about the school at any time by logging on to the link below.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/user>

