



HARPLEY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

We hope you had a lovely break over half term. We have had a great start to the term and are very excited about Book Week, next week. Thank you for continuing to listen to your children read, it really makes a huge difference. On Thursday 3rd March, there will be a Book Exchange in the playground from 8:40am, children are welcome to bring in an old book and swap if for another. You will not get your book back so please bring one you are prepared to swap for good.

Change of date: Wednesday 2nd MARCH - Character parade. We invite all children to come in dressed as their favourite book character for World Book Day and bring in £1 to go towards new books.

We will no longer notify parents and carers of any Covid 19 cases within school unless in there are individual exceptional circumstances. We can assure you, at present we have no cases.

The latest guidance states, children who are positive for Covid 19 should stay at home for 5 days and take two negative LFDs before returning to school.

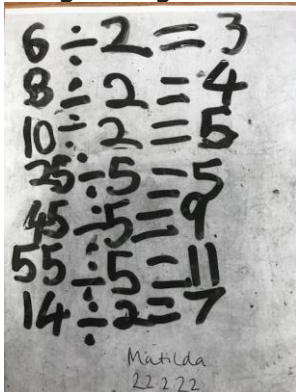
Wednesday 2nd March - All Junior parents and carers are welcome to join us in the hall at 3pm for a meeting regarding the Horstead visit. We look forward to seeing those who can make it.

Week beginning 21st February

This week's learning highlights:

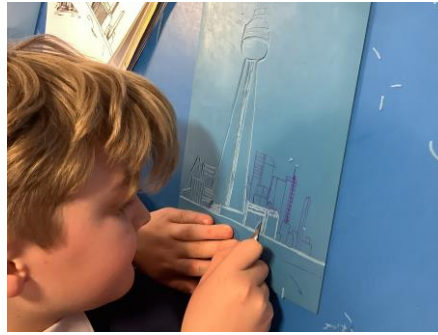
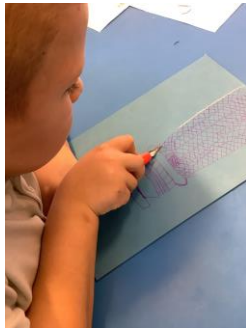
News from the Infants

In maths, the children practised their 10, 5 and 2 times tables. Year 2 have been dividing by multiples of 10s, 5s and 2s using their multiplication skills to solve division problems. Year 1 used deines (tens and ones resources) to help make totals and write pictorial representations. All the children began to design their stick puppet as part of their DT this term. In science, we did a practical investigation exploring forces. We squashed, pulled, twisted different things using our own force.



Ladybirds have been learning about time this week. They know that 1 minute toast is white, 2 minute toast is brown and 3 minute toast turned BLACK!!

News from the Juniors



In maths, Year 5 and 6 have been revising fraction vocabulary and making sense of multiplying fractions using area models. In English, we are looking at the Alchemist's letter and have explored vocabulary, ranking it as bronze, silver or gold!

In maths, Year 4 multiplied 2digit by 1 digit numbers and Year 3 focused on the 8 times table - using multiplication and division facts. The children developed summarising skills in reading non fiction texts. We also finished our class text and the children commented on the ending:

'The ending was really exciting because Storm had to make a very tricky choice.' Abi Y4

'The ending was delicious because it was satisfying, Storm kept his promise!' Jess Y4

The Juniors have started using lino tools - wow, the outcomes are amazing and we can't wait to share these with you soon. 'It was really fun because it was quite hard but it was satisfying and looked interesting once I finished it.' Seth Y5

Special Mentions

FS/KS1 Maud for working hard on spellings at home.

Everett for working hard on joined up handwriting.



KS2: Jayden for working extremely hard creating his lino print, using the tools confidently and effectively.

Heidi for working very hard to edit her writing to correct her spelling.

Annabelle for great summarising skills.

Rory for his ability to write very persuasively!

Abi for her consistently engaging writing.

Betsy for great consistent improvement and enthusiasm in her writing.

Unfortunately Holly Meadows kitchen is still unable to provide hot lunches. Packed lunches will be available this week.

MONDAY - 21st February

2.15-3.15 Junior music tuition

TUESDAY

3.15-4.15 Junior Art Club with Mrs Stephens

WEDNESDAY

Dress up day- £1 donation towards new books

Piano tuition with Benjamin Howell

3.00 Horstead meeting for all Junior parents

THURSDAY

All pupils to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day. PE with Rob from ICS Coaching

Please remember they do PE outside and need to be warm enough.

8.40am book swap in playground - see note above

AM Stef Judd guitar and drum tuition - PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR EQUIPMENT.

11.45-12.15 Infant PE Club

FRIDAY

Infant swimming today, please wear PE kits with swim wear underneath - children must be in school by 8.45am please (door will be open at 8.30am). Andrew Sinclair (Lola's Grandad) & Emma Piggott are helping every week.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we heard the bible story of The Creation. We thought about the value of diversity of plants, insects and animals and considered ways to help protect them.

We introduced our Value for Life this term: **FORGIVENESS** and focused on our Core Value: **KINDNESS**. Our 5 Core Values:



ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is 96%.

	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
SEPTEMBER	98.56%	95.1%	96.41%
OCTOBER	96.48%	92.19%	93.78%
NOVEMBER	96.58%	96.76%	96.69%
DECEMBER	88.67%	86.74%	87.56%
JANUARY	93.14%	91.41%	92.05%

Please avoid late marks - registration is at 8.55am

ATTENDANCE – Please ensure that your child is in school unless they are too ill to attend or have a hospital appointment. Now that Covid restrictions are being lifted, we are working hard to raise our attendance to the level it was before the pandemic.

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend

The Harpley Team.