



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are all set and looking forward to the Farmer Fred's trip on Wednesday 9th. Please see below for more information regarding this.

THURSDAY 3rd 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. The children at Harpley always wow us with their wonderfully creative costumes! There will be prizes for the winners and homemade touches are popular with the judges. We will be holding Book Week in school this week and the staff have lots of lovely things planned to make the week extra special and to help promote a love of reading.

The staff work hard to encourage reading for pleasure and we know many of you continue this at home, thank you. Here you can see some of our super enthusiastic readers who have chosen to spend some of their lunchbreak reading - AMAZING!



Week beginning 31st January

This week's learning highlights:

News from the Infants

We had a visit from Dolly and Barney, two very fluffy sheep. Thank you to Heidi, Leyton's mum and Karen Rust, Leyton's Grandmother, they were gorgeous.

The Bees have done some lovely food tasting this week - enjoyed eating onion bhaji's, poppadoms and mango chutney.

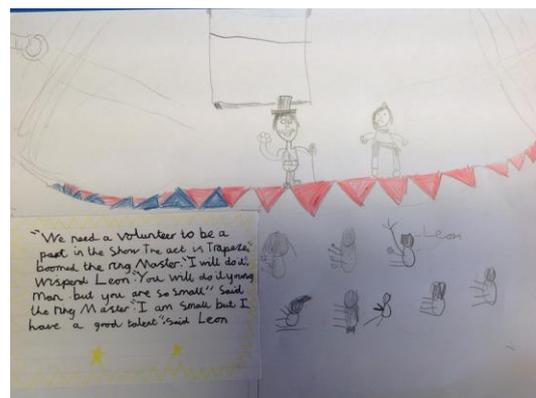
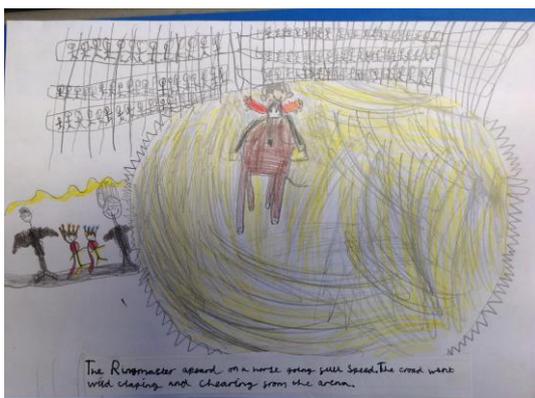
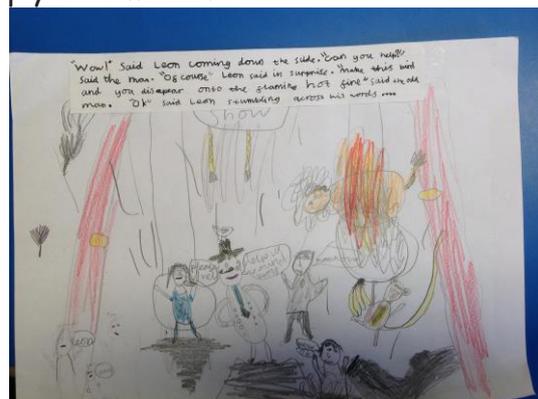


News from the Juniors

In music, the children have become experts with body percussion. They are learning to be foley artists. Foley is a unique sound effect technique that involves creating and "performing" everyday sounds for movies and television shows. The children continue to amaze us with their art skills. This week they developed water colour techniques and applied these to their land mark or city scape drawing.

Year 5 and 6 children have applied their story writing knowledge this week to their 'big write' story based on the Francis animation. They used pathetic fallacy, metaphors, similes and built suspense to help engage the reader. A lot to think about and they have made a great start! In maths, the children have been ordering, adding and subtracting fractions - it's been pretty challenging and they are rising to the challenge.

Year 3 and 4 worked on predicting what may happen on the next page of the very exciting book *Leon and the Place Between*. They imagined a variety of circus acts which might occur, drew them and then added text to give more information for the reader. They worked really hard to edit their drafted writing, checking spelling and punctuation so that it could be published. In maths year 3 have been working on solving 3 digit addition and subtraction word problems. Year 4 have been learning how to multiply 3 numbers.



Special Mentions

FS/KS1

Chloe for fantastic behavior. **Nathan & Oliver** for some brilliant handwriting.



KS2

Daisy for her keenness to read at any time, including break time. **Abi** for creating a complex and exciting next page of the story. **Annabelle** for amazing accuracy in maths learning.

Jayden, Romilly, Annabelle, Daisy and Leah for amazing progress in swimming!

With Health & Safety in mind, we will open the school gate earlier in the mornings so parents and children can wait safely on the playground. The cloakroom door will not be open until 8.40 as usual. Please stay with your children until the door is open - please keep them with you and not running around because we are worried about slippery weather conditions.

MONDAY - 31st January School packed lunch is ham sandwich or cheese for vegetarians

1.00-2.00 Junior music tuition

2.00-3.00 Class I PE - pupils to come to school in their PE kit, including school jumper, and remain in it all day.

TUESDAY School packed lunch is cheese wrap

3.15-4.15 Junior Art Club with Mrs Stephens - final one with current participants.

WEDNESDAY School packed lunch is tuna mayo or cheese for vegetarians

No Piano tuition with Benjamin Howell

Whole school visit to Farmer Fred's (rearranged from Christmas) The door will open at 8.20am, please can all pupils be in school by 8.40am. Thank you. All pupils to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day.

THURSDAY School packed lunch is ham sandwich or cheese for vegetarians

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

All pupils must wear correct PE kits - please remember they do PE outside and need to be warm enough.

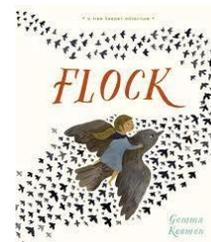
AM Stef Judd guitar and drum tuition - PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR EQUIPMENT.

11.45-12.15 Junior PE Club

FRIDAY School packed lunch is cheese sandwich

Final Junior swimming today (Infants swim after half term) - children must be in school by 8.45am please (door will be open at 8.30am). Lucy Price & Emma Piggott are helping this week.

School closes at 3.20pm for half term and re-opens at 8.40am on Monday 21st



VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we explored Love and listened to 1 Corinthians 13 from the bible. We listened to the story Flock by Gemma Kooiman and like Sylvia, the main character, we learned how to nurture and tend. We recognised that Sylvia, the Tree Keeper, helped the tree to grow happily and healthily, we realised we could do the same for our school family.

We continue our Value for Life this term: **PEACE** and focused on our Core Value: **RESPONSIBILITY**

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

At the bottom of school lane, on the far side of the road, there is a flint wall. Please watch out for loose flint, it is appealing for little fingers to pick. The wall will be repaired soon but please be extra careful with children along here. Many thanks.

OUR HARPLEY KIND

This week our newest member **Annabelle** was noticed going over and above by showing kindness to other children when they needed extra support.

Over the next few weeks, our group will invite a variety of people to join us for a drink and snack to share their experiences of their daily life at Harpley. A big thank you to **Matilda** for offering to help with the invitations.

100 Club winners this month were:

1st - 57 - Lucy Brown

2nd - 30 - Rachel Wade

3rd - 29 - Ruth Swithenbank

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend,

The Harpley Team.