



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

Wow, what a wonderful fun filled week we have had. Your costumes to celebrate World Book Day were inspired and thank you for the enormous effort you put in - there are lots of photos on the next page. We started the week with the teachers surprising the children by dressing up as crayons from our Federation Book Week story, 'The Day the Crayons Quit' by Drew Daywalt. They were very naughty in Collective Worship and started shouting about why they were the best colour! HONESTLY! 😊 Our Value Leaders/judges ruled that all the colours were important and by listening to each other, compromising and showing kindness they could be happy and work better together.

We hope you have enjoyed our Book Shop Swap this week and manage to trade an old book for a new one to enjoy.

Thank you to those Junior families who could make it to the Horstead meeting on Wednesday, we hope you found it useful. If you would like a copy of the slides, please let us know and we will arrange it.

A large event is being organised to raise money for DEC for Ukraine, here at school next Saturday (12th) all details to follow as soon as we can. This will involve staff, children, parents and hopefully the wider community.

Week beginning 28th February

This week's learning highlights:

News from the Infants

We have been really busy as usual this week.

Ladybirds have been learning a new sound "ng" as in strong and long. It is very hard to pronounce correctly but they have been trying hard. They know that the sound is a digraph (2 letters) and is only one sound (not n and g). Try it at home. ['ng' Words | Blending Phonics Phase 3 - YouTube](#).

They have also begun thinking about "emergencies" and who we might call if we need help. Bees have been learning all about Mary Anning and thanks to Herbie in the juniors (who got in role as Mary and answered all our questions) have found out lots about her and why her discoveries were so important.

We really got into book week and loved dressing up! We also enjoyed it when the teachers all dressed up as different coloured crayons (we have been looking at the text 'The day the crayons quit').



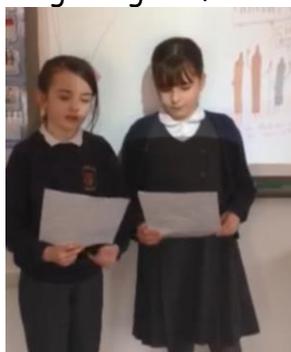
News from the Juniors

The juniors have been learning about the digestive system, you can see one of their drawings below. In geography, the children compared different cities within the UK and Italy. You can see the children have started printing!

Year 5 and 6 have been learning about prefixes and suffixes and exploring how changing these can change the meaning of the word. The children looked at letters to Duncan from our Book Week story and identified the prefixes and suffixes within the letters.

Y3 and 4 really enjoyed preparing letters from the Crayons to perform them. They did a magnificent job! They have identified how the Crayons have tried to persuade Duncan to behave differently and which persuasive devices have been used in the letters. They are now writing letters to the Junior Class as an object of stationery, using persuasive features and prepositions to describe where.

In maths, Y3 have been comparing multiplications and using and applying related multiplications. Y4 have been gaining confidence in multiplying 3 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers.



Special Mentions

FS/KS1 Hallie and Edward for great improvement in reading.

Leyton for some great listening this week.



KS2: Reggie for working hard to become confident in multiplying 3 digits by 1 digit. **Leo** for confidently reading a letter on his own.

Staff: Mrs Fairbrother has been nominated by a parent for the fantastic support she has given their child. A huge thank you!

The Farmer Fred's visit and this week's dress up photos will be available on your child's Google Drive this weekend. Sign in to your child's Nsix email account to access.

Huge thank you for the donations sent in yesterday! Incredible generosity.

The medicines, sleeping bags, food and toiletries are going directly to the Ukrainian Embassy. The clothe donations are going to Peterborough where they will be sorted again and trucked in lorries to the Ukrainian Border.



And a huge thank you to Sharon Goodliffe-Johnson for organising everything!

HARPLEY KIND

Harpley Kind met this week and discussed when a misunderstanding happens resulting in both parties feeling sad. Lacey took the lead in providing ideas for a solution to this, recalling a situation that she found herself in and how she can now laugh about this with the person concerned as they really did not need to fall out at all - it was a misunderstanding!

It was noted that Ruby showed kindness by offering to play with a younger pupil who had no-one to play with at break-time.

Harpley Kind are excited to be inviting fellow pupils for drinks and biscuits in the next few weeks. They will be inviting those that they do not know as well and feel that they would benefit from finding out about our group.

MONDAY - 7th March

2.15-3.15 Junior music tuition

Y1 & Y2 parent consultations

TUESDAY

3.15-4.15 Junior Art Club with Mrs Stephens

Parent consultations

WEDNESDAY

Piano tuition with Benjamin Howell

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.

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

11.45-12.15 Infant PE Club

1.45 Collective Worship with Rev. Judith

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 were inspired by our federation text for Book Week. During Collective Worship we explored the importance of listening and compromising and how important this is in today's world. We explored Lent and what this means to Christians. We found out lots of information about Shrove Tuesday and know lots of you enjoyed making pancakes at home.

Our Value for Life this term: FORGIVENES

Our 5 Core Values:



TERM DATES

2022 AUTUMN TERM 	2022 SPRING TERM 	2022 SUMMER TERM 
Tuesday 6 th September - Friday 16 th December (Half term - Monday 24 th October - Friday 28 th October)	Wednesday 5 th January - Friday 1 st April (Half term - Monday 14 th - Friday 18 th February)	Thursday 21 st April - Friday 22 nd July (Half term - Monday 30 th May - Friday 3 rd June)

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%
FEBRUARY	97.73%	95.19%	96.15%

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.