



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,

What a week... Our Year 6 children worked their socks off this week during SATs. Their attitude, focus and determination were wonderful to see. We recognise these tests do not judge artistic flare, sporting talents or moral compass (to name a few) which the children have in abundance. Year 6, we are immensely proud of you!

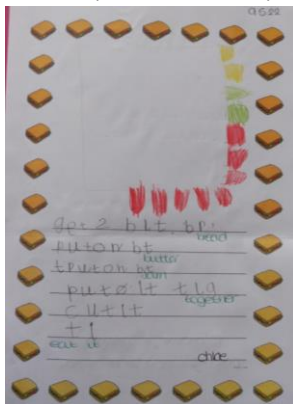
NEW SCHOOL LOGO

We are excited to tell you we are developing a federation website and a new school logo. We are working with an excellent, local, digital design agency (at no cost), to develop a new logo for the school. We would love to hear your input and feedback on the design options before we launch it. You are invited to school to see the options and give your feedback on **Tuesday 17th May at 3:00pm in the school hall.**

Week beginning 9th May

This week's learning highlights:

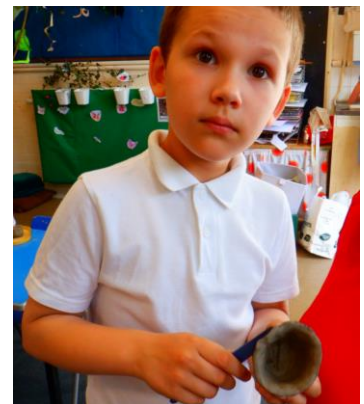
News from the Infants



By Chloe



By Oliver



Yet another busy week in the infants. We all worked with clay during an art lesson and loved the way it felt and could be changed by squeezing, squashing and pinching. We made some rather lovely pinch pots which we will finish and then eventually bring home. The children were very pleased with their work and found clay work very relaxing.

In Ten Step noticed an improvement in the focus and determination of all the infants who are working hard to improve their scores.

The ladybirds have been working hard on their listening skills and enjoyed working with musical instruments. Have a go at home making different sounds with household objects. How many sounds can one item make?

The Bees loved our geography over the last few weeks and have learned about compass directions and co-ordinates. Why not look at a map at home. Can you see the grid lines and co-ordinates? Practice finding different squares eg. (B3), (F4) on a map.

News from the Juniors

The children designed their vehicles in DT this week and are eager to begin the building phase - I am confident the Queen's jewels will be in safe hands! In RE the Juniors really impressed us with their considered responses when investigating the role of music in Christian worship and festivals. The children shared their own interpretations and responses to the music.

Y3 & 4 begun poetry this week and are absolutely loving the opportunity to read, listen to, perform and write poetry. They have been focusing on why we write poems, the language used and the rhythm poems. Their poetry journals are filling up very quickly with some fabulous poems. Y3 have been finding equivalence in halves and two quarters and whole fractions. Y4 have found more equivalent fractions and are beginning to recognise and work in improper fractions.



Special Mentions



FS/KS1:

Chloe and Oliver for lovely Sam's sandwich writing.

Osten for perseverance in maths

Valee for super focus during our clay work

KS2:

Daisy, Florence and Esme have lived our core value KINDNESS this week by looking out for children needing a friend. Great job!

Leo and Jess for fantastic newspaper reports.

Chloe and Jayden for brilliant progress in reading and finding answers to questions and for their newspaper reports.

Romilly for persevering in publishing her newspaper report.

Betsy for consistent helpfulness and enthusiasm for learning.

Heidi for amazing understanding of fractions.

Rory for applying his multiplication knowledge to help him recognise equivalent and improper fractions.

Daisy - for very well structured and engaging poem writing

YEAR 6 for trying their best!

REGULAR DATES

MONDAY - 9th May

2.15-3.15 Junior music tuition

TUESDAY

All pupils to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day

PM Ten Step

WEDNESDAY

Piano tuition with Benjamin Howell

THURSDAY

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

Junior Federation visit to Sandringham - remember packed lunch, school uniform and caps, sun cream already applied.

12.00 Space Explorers lunch

3.20-4.20 Gardening club - group 1 children - Chloe, Sam, Seb, Annabelle, Tillie, Hallie, Seth, George, Romilly, Maud, Charlie, Oliver & Lola

FRIDAY

NORFOLK SHOW

We are extremely fortunate to have secured a performance space at the Royal Norfolk Show on Thursday 30th June at 3:30pm - 4:00pm. We have space for 15 KS2 (Juniors) children to sing their little hearts out. If your child would like to participate then please let the headteachers know (head@harpley.norfolk.sch.uk) asap. Rehearsals will take place after school at Great Massingham on the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th June. Parents will need to take their child to Great Massingham and collect them promptly at 4:15pm. For the performance day, we have a coach booked to take and bring back the children - if you would like to take your child home from the showground, this is not a problem, just let us know.




VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we explored being a good learner (Proverbs 18:15 and Proverbs 9:9). We considered what makes a good learner and how we learn from mistakes. We reflected on God's care for humans and we took time to pray for our Year 6 children.

We continued exploring our Value for Life (and Core Value) this term: **COMPASSION**



TERM DATES

| 2022 AUTUMN TERM  | 2023 SPRING TERM  | 2022 SUMMER TERM  |
|---|---|---|
| Tuesday 6 th September - Friday 16 th December (Half term - Monday 24 th October - Friday 28 th October) | Wednesday 4 th January - Friday 31 st March (Half term - Monday 13 th - Friday 17 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% |
| MARCH | 92.29% | 88.53% | 89.96% |
| APRIL | 97.73% | 94.35% | 95.62% |

Please avoid late marks - registration is at 8.55am

FUTURE DATES

May

23rd - 25th Federation Junior Residential visit to Horstead
 27th Queen's Platinum Jubilee TBC

June

30th KS2 choir and musicians singing at Royal Norfolk Show
 28th June 1.30pm Sports Day

July

15th July 1.30pm Leavers Service in St Lawrence Church
 18th - 20th July Y6 transition days at Litcham

Have a wonderful weekend,

The Harpley Team.