



Harpley CE Primary School
Living, Learning & Flourishing

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 an amazing week. The Federation Day was brilliant; we loved seeing new friendships develop across the schools and the children made us very proud. The first hand experiences the children received throughout the day perfectly complement our curriculum learning. It was a joy-filled day at both Great Massingham and Harpley (and the Juniors coped extremely well with the chilly temperatures). We thank the staff (especially Fed Day leader, Miss Harrold) for the HUGE amount of effort they put into planning and delivering the Federation Day.

Please see below for Fabulous Finale dates and times - we look forward to seeing those who can make it.

Week beginning 6th March 2023

This week's learning highlights:

News from the Infants

The highlight has to be the Federation Day on Wednesday with the children from Great Massingham. The children enjoyed taking part in a mock flight to India, making their own passports, fact finding, Bollywood dancing and making their own delicious Indian food. It has been really lovely to bring the two schools together and see the children all get along so well.



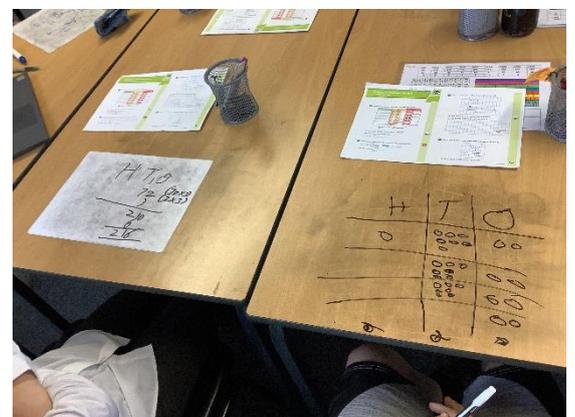
News from the Juniors (KS2 - Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6)

This week we had our federation day, the children were very welcoming to the juniors from Great Massingham. It was lovely to see them all working together in the different tasks and at break and lunchtime. The children embraced the tasks and even the cold weather and some snow did not put them off. They had a great time learning about Stone Age cooking and how this changed and then had a go at making flatbreads cooked on the fire for them. They also had a go at hunting and learnt how to be sneaky so that they could capture the animals, they also practiced their 'spear' throwing skills. They built shelters to protect them from a mammoth attack and the rain. They also became stone age potters and created some beautiful pinch pots. The children all had a great day in the words of one child THIS IS EPIC! So we would say it was a big success! We look forward to the next federation day.



Year 3 and 4 worked brilliantly in maths this week to master multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers - Fantastic! They are also making amazing progress learning their 8 times table (Y3) and 12 times table (Y4).

In literacy we looked at regular and irregular verbs and begun to write an action sequence, focussing on making our writing pacy and exciting the reader with cliff-hanger moments!



★ Special Mentions ★

Infants

Martha for great dancing on Federation Day

Piper for being smiley and happy this week.

Ruben for brilliant behavior on Federation Day

Juniors

Jayden for phenomenal progress in swimming as a result of his determination and perseverance.

Romilly, Chloe and **Leo** for brilliant maths learning - again showing great perseverance.

REGULAR DATES

MONDAY - 13th March 2023

PLEASE NOTE THAT INFANTS WILL NEED TO BRING THEIR PE KITS INTO SCHOOL WITH THEM ON A MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

ICS Coaching after school football club - **4.15pm pick up**. Please find the booking form for Great Massingham and Harpley.

<https://forms.gle/sn3xJ1VKJQQWCENo7>

THURSDAY

All to come to school in their PE kit, they will remain in them all day. **Please could children bring in spare socks and school shoes so that if they have been out on the field and their shoes and socks are wet, they have another pair to change in to.**

PE with Rob from ICS Coaching

Stef Judd guitar and drum tuition

FRIDAY

AM Junior's swimming at the Oasis in Hunstanton. Helpers this week are Corynn Inward, Sharon Goodliffe-Johnson & Catherine Alexandra-Kaye

EASTER SERVICE - I have taken this from GM so needs changing for H.

Parents, family and friends are warmly invited to attend our Easter Service on Tuesday **28th March, 9-10am** in St Lawrence Church.

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we explored faith. We learnt how Nicodemus, a Jewish pharisee, stood up for what he believed to be right once he developed faith in Jesus. We took time for deeper thinking and thought about 'big' questions we would like to ask. 'How did the world begin?' 'Why is the world here?' were a couple of questions the children asked and discussed.

We continue our Value for Life: FRIENDSHIP

Our 5 Core Values:



FABULOUS FINALES - families are invited to join their child's Fabulous Finale and celebrate the children's learning from the term.

Year Group	Title	Date & Time
Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	Planes, trains and automobiles	Thursday 30 th March Afternoon - 2.00pm
Juniors	A Moment in Time	Wednesday 29 th March Afternoon - 2:15pm

ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **96%**.

	INFANTS	JUNIORS	OVERALL
September	96.48%	93.62%	94.74%
October	92.86%	94.76%	93.99%
November	94.81%	92.89%	93.66%
December	85.12%	91.02%	88.68%
January	92.94%	96.77%	95.23%
February	93.43%	95.48%	94.66%

Why is regular attendance so important?

Being in school every day that it is open is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and their wider development. It is important for children to develop good attendance habits as soon as they start school. Missing school in Reception means missing out on important learning. Being around teachers and friends in a school environment is the best way for pupils to learn and reach their potential. Time in school also provides access to extra-curricular opportunities and pastoral care.

data shows:

- Pupils with higher attainment at KS2 and KS4 had lower levels of absence over the key stage compared to those with lower attainment.
- Pupils who did not achieve the expected standard in reading, writing and maths in 2019 had an overall absence rate of 4.7% over the key stage, compared with 3.5% among pupils who achieved the expected standard and 2.7% among those who achieved the higher standard.
- Generally, the higher the percentage of sessions missed across the key stage at KS2 and KS4, the lower the level of attainment at the end of the key stage.
- Among pupils with no missed sessions over KS2, 83.9% achieved the expected standard compared to 40.2% of pupils who were persistently absent (had an attendance percentage of 90% or less).

Free School Meals - if you think your child may be eligible for a free school meal, which could save you over £400 a year and gain additional funding for your school, go to www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals to see if you qualify. NCC has released details of its new cost of Living Support Scheme, to support families in need. This includes a monthly award for children eligible for means tested free school meals.

SEND Spotlight

Click the link below to find out more and book a free place

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/cc/making-sense-of-send-205549>



The Big Norfolk Holiday Fun is a Norfolk County Council scheme delivered alongside our partners Active Norfolk with funding provided by the Department for Education. It helps your child to be more active, eat well and have fun.

The scheme provides holiday activities for children and young people aged 5-16 in Norfolk. If your child is 4 years old but they are in school, they can take part.

Big Norfolk Holiday Fun Easter is now open for bookings. Activities run from 3 -17 April.

There will be a mix of paid for and free spaces. The free spaces are for children who are eligible for means-tested free school meals. Our [free school meals page](#) lists the benefits you need to receive to be eligible.

Follow the link to book:

<https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/what-we-do-and-how-we-work/campaigns/big-norfolk-holiday-fun>

Keep warm and have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

The Harpley Team

Website: gmhfed.norfolk.sch.uk

SEND NORFOLK
Making Sense of SEND
FREE INFORMATION FAIR

Weds 29 March 2023 10am-12pm
Swaffham Community Centre

For parents and carers of children aged 0-25 with SEND. Information stands will include:

family voice, Norfolk SENDIASS, Children & Young People's Health Services, DRAGONS, TITAN, VISION NORFOLK, active norfolk, healthwatch Norfolk, Helping Hands, nanso, NHS Norfolk and Waveney Integrated Care System, keoth, Qwell

Optional talks to attend: "6 tips for supporting autistic people" and "an introduction to Kooth/Qwell"

Free refreshments will be provided, and you are welcome to stay for as long as you'd like.

For more info and to book your free place through Eventbrite, scan the QR code

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mindful movement

classes at Harpley Village Hall

slow flow, suitable for all
register your interest for
classes to start in April

yoga

Thursday mornings,
Harpley Village Hall



join me for
slow flow vinyasa:

would you be interested
in Thursday morning yoga
at Harpley Village Hall?

a weekly class
of mindful movement,
flowing with the breath...

come to a 'taster' class on
30th March, 10.00-11.00am
(booking essential)

to book:

to book your place in the 'taster' class, or
to register interest in a regular weekly class,

please contact Debbie on 07857 449 113 or
email debbiewingell.yoga@gmail.com

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