



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,

Wow, we LOVED seeing all your fabulous costumes on Wednesday! We had such a fun meeting all the characters and were so impressed with your amazing efforts. Thank you for helping us promote a love of stories and reading.

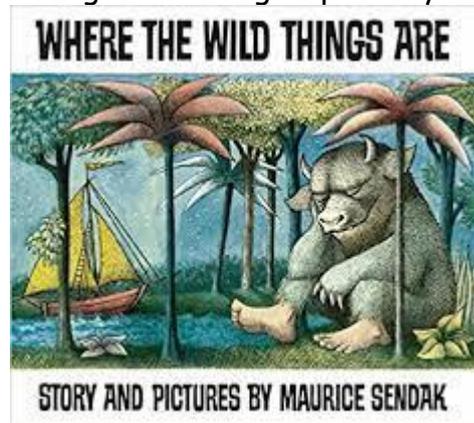
### Week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

This week's learning highlights:

#### News from the Infants

This week we loved reading the story 'Where the wild things are'. If you have it at home we have not read the end yet so please keep it secret. The children have made some absolutely brilliant predictions about what might happen next in the story as we have revealed each new part gradually. We have all designed our own "Wild Thing" using inspiration from the text and have created some lovely art work. Imagination and creativity in bucket loads! We have even been on our own "Wild Rumpus!" What a great time we had.

We look forward to producing some great writing inspired by the text as well.



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

The children embraced book week with open arms. The children developed ambitious vocabulary and included this in their writing of setting descriptions.

Y3 have been really practising their skills multiplying 2 digit numbers by 1 digit numbers. Y4 have been dividing by 10 and 100 and are beginning to learn new methods for multiplying 2 digit numbers.

In English, we have been writing speech and learning how to punctuate it accurately.

## ★ Special Mentions ★

### Infants

**Ruben** - for super effort and creativity in dance this week

**Oriel** - for being a great friend this week

### Juniors

**Chloe** - for amazing progress in writing.

**Hallie** - for working hard in maths and literacy.

## WORLD BOOK DAY

We had a lovely day on Wednesday when we dressed up for World Book Day. The children looked fantastic in their costumes! We have been reading some beautiful stories and producing our own brilliant writing!





## REGULAR DATES

### MONDAY - 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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

Parent consultations, appointment times were texted on Friday morning.

### TUESDAY

Parent consultations, appointment times were texted on Friday morning.

### WEDNESDAY

Parent consultations, appointment times were texted on Friday morning.

No Y6 early Maths today

Federation Day - Juniors at Harpley and Infants at Great Massingham

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

Parent consultations, appointment times were texted on Friday morning.

**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

11.10-11.45 Stef's concert for parents

### FRIDAY

AM Junior's swimming at the Oasis in Hunstanton. Helpers this week are Corynn Inward, Abi Reed & Mim Reeve

## VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

This week we thought about Lent. We learnt from the bible that Jesus fasted for forty days and forty nights in the wilderness whilst Satan tried to tempt him three times. We considered times when we have been tempted to make poor choices and thought about what it takes to resist these. We continue our Value for Life: FRIENDSHIP

Our 5 Core Values:



### Harpley kind

On Tuesday lunchtime members of Harpley Kind put on playground games for the Infant Children.

They marked out hopscotch and taught the younger children how to play and how to skip. Everyone who took part had a great time.

Watch out for the next time!



**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 <sup>th</sup> March Afternoon - time tbc
Juniors	Celebration of learning this term	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March Afternoon - time tbc

## ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **96%**.

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

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](http://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.

### BOOK WEEK SPECIAL ADDITION:



## Supporting Readers at Home





**Open University** research suggests there are three important ways to support readers and a love of reading.



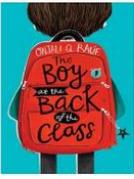
**Read Aloud**

Reading aloud to your children shows them reading is a pleasure, not a chore. Older children can read to younger ones too.





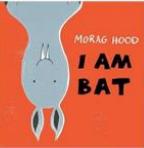
Children who read, and are supported as readers, develop strong reading skills and do better at school.





**Family Reading Time**

Making time to read alongside one another helps develop children's reading stamina and interest. Let them choose what to read and relax together.



For more ideas see the OU website:  
[www.ourfp.org](http://www.ourfp.org)



**Book Chat**

Book Chats encourage readers. Invite them to make connections and share their views. Join in with your thoughts too!





I wonder if...why... what...who...



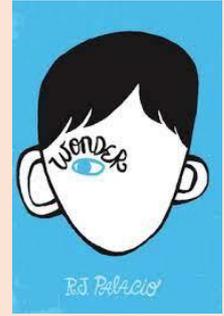
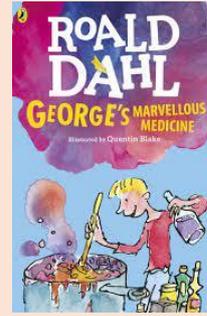
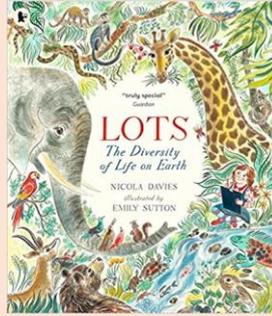
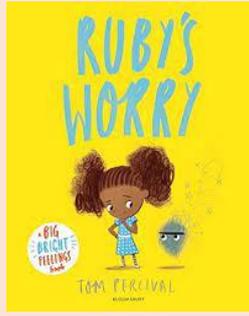
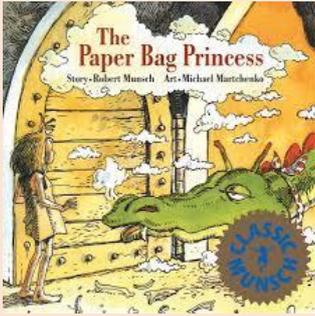
### Staff Recommended Reads:

KS2



EYFS, KS1 & KS2

There are a wealth of wonderful books and here are a few of our favourites:



Some of our favourite authors: Oliver Jeffers, Anthony Browne, Roald Dahl and Michael Morpurgo.

You can find more information to support children's reading for pleasure here:

<https://ourfp.org/supporting-rah/sharing-the-love-of-reading/>

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/our-recommendations/100-best-books/>

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/parent-support/reading-your-child/>

Please keep listening to your child/ren read daily; it has a HUGE impact on children's learning! Little and often is best. If you have not yet visited your local library, we highly recommend you do - this will give you access to a vast range of books.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

The Harpley Team

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