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/Carers,

Many thanks to you all for supporting the children in our Christmas services this week. The children and staff did an excellent job as always, and I want to thank them all for the extra effort required to be practising for a performance as well as everything else! There is nothing quite like seeing all the children read aloud, sing, act and work together. The songs will be in my head for weeks.

Christmas - A time of joy for many but it can be challenging for some.
Help is available.
For children - https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/home-families/seasonal-events/christmas/
For adults -https://www.mind.org.uk/information-support/helplines/

Polite reminder:

- Can I remind everyone that school starts at 8.40am and children should be in class for 8.50am. It's been a long term and everyone has done a fabulous job, we are just noticing a few lates creeping back in.
- Watches - children are welcome to wear an analogue wrist watch but digital watches are not permitted as some have access to photographing, videoing and internet technologies which open up safeguarding and data protection issues.

Many thanks for your help with this.

News from the Infants (Reception, Year 1 & Year 2)

This week the children have done us proud yet again with their fantastic Christmas performance. Well done to them all! We hope you enjoyed it too. Thank you for coming and supporting your fabulous children.
We have loved using the nativity costumes in our role play area and have been acting out the Christmas story. Everyone knows the story and can retell it.
In maths we have been busy adding and subtracting numbers to and from ten. We really enjoy this game so why not try it at home. It is really good for practicing counting in 1's and 10's
Paint the Squares - Interactive Number Charts
The children are busy, very independently, making Christmas cards for friends and family members. They are trying to create 3D effects and have explored many different techniques.





SPECIAL MENTIONS

Infants:

Roman for being a superstar at our play
Elliott for brilliant phonics this week
Tia for great effort during P.E.

Juniors:

Violet for her brilliant contributions to RE
Anna for her kind and caring attitude this week.
Nojus for excellent word choice in his poem writing.
Nathan for his great local knowledge.
Ruby S for her enthusiasm in Maths Mastery this week.
Rose for her enthusiasm in Maths the last few weeks.

News from the Juniors (Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year6)

It's been another busy week in the junior class. Well done to everyone for their brilliant performance in the Christmas Service. They did amazing jobs at projecting their voices. They enjoyed learning their dance for the performance as well and we hope that you enjoyed the performance that they put on. We have been busy finishing off things this week and working towards writing peace poems. We have also been busy doing year of year assessments. The children have been brilliant and worked so hard on this.

REGULAR DATES

School gates are open 8.40am - 8.50am (the gate closes at 8.50 and after this time your child will be marked in the register as late) Pick up is 3.20pm.

MONDAY – 15th December 2025 (Week 1 on the NEW NORSE menu – *please pay for school lunches on a Monday)* Meals are £2.70 each
Jacket potatoes – your child can opt for cheese and/or beans on any day, just let the office know.

MONDAY

Exciting new Nerf Club starting Monday 12th January! See below for details.

TUESDAY

AM Whole school visit to see Aladdin at the Princess Theatre, Hunstanton (normal school uniform today) – please remember you need to provide your child/ren with a packed lunch (unless you've already pre ordered a school packed lunch)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

12.00 Christmas lunch – pupils can wear their Christmas jumpers again today (over usual PE kit)
All pupils to come to school in their PE kit (with their Christmas jumper if they wish), 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.
3.30 Active Education football club https://activeeducation.info/ Continuing after half term from 12th January

FRIDAY

2.45-4.30 PFA Christmas Fayre

FUTURE DATES

Friday 9th January Juniors will be swimming for the next 6 Friday's

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP - Friendship
Collective worship: - Collective worship this half term is all about friendship.
This week the children have been continuing their rhythm of life advent journey discussing the role of prayer in advent. **"Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people." Luke 2:10-11**

Our 5 Core Values:



Value Leaders: Our value leaders take responsibility for supporting the leadership of visions and values in the school. The year 5 & 6 value leaders at each school have been tasked with leading a collective worship after half term. All the value leaders at both schools (yrs3-6) will be updating our visions and values displays and supporting me to improve the school environment. They are beginning to chair their own meetings too!

Please can all absences be emailed or texted (rather than telephoned) with a reason, because we have to evidence all absences.



ATTENDANCE

Our Attendance Target is **97%.**

November attendance: Infants 97.81%
Juniors 97.35%

Mrs Myhill and the Harpley team

TERM DATES

2025 AUTUMN TERM 	2026 SPRING TERM 	2026 SUMMER TERM 
Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 19th December (Half term – Monday 27th October – Friday 1st November)	Tuesday 6th January – Friday 27th March (Half term – Monday 16th – Friday 20th February)	Tuesday 14th April – Friday 17th July (Half term – Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May)


Harpley PFA Christmas Fayre
Friday 19th December 2025 14.45-16.30
Harpley Primary School
School Lane
Harpley
We welcome you to join us for some Festive Fun, Gifts and Games. We look forward to seeing you for an afternoon of Christmas Cheer


NATIVITY
and
CHRISTMAS TREES
12 Dec
to
4 Jan.
Alight till
8pm.
CHRISTINGLE
Weds 17. Dec at 4pm
CAROL
SERVICE
Sunday 21 Dec
6pm
CHRISTMAS DAY
11cm Family service
ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH HARPLEY


light up St. lawrence
Christmas Trees & Nativity Alight
Friday 12th December
4pm
St. Lawrence Church, Harpley
All welcome, open daily until 8pm


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Meet with an experienced Speech & Language Therapist for a free, 20-minute bookable advice session to discuss your child's needs, whether or not they have a diagnosis.
MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2025
THURSDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2026
What to Expect:
FREE 20 MINUTE APPOINTMENT
1:1 MEETING WITH A SPECIALIST SPEECH & LANGUAGE THERAPIST
GUIDANCE ON NEXT STEPS AND SIGNPOSTING TO SERVICES
STAY AND PLAY FOR YOUR CHILDREN
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HARPLEY PRIMARY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

FOOTBALL CLUB AT HARPLEY CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOR YEARS 1-6

EVERY THURSDAY
15:15 - 16:15
From 15/01/2026 - 12/02/2026
(5 sessions)

TO SECURE YOUR PLACE:

Head to our website and visit the 'Camps and Clubs' page. All bookings can be taken directly on the website or on our Facebook page.
www.activeeducation.info

£25 (£5 Per Session)

Active Education provides children with the opportunity to learn new skills with their friends, whilst experiencing different games and activities!
All coaches are qualified and DBS checked.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS

Sports Activities Include

MULTI SPORTS
DODGEBALL
NERF COMBAT
FOOTBALL
CRICKET
AND MUCH MORE!

Creativity Activities Include

FREE PLAY
LEGO
CRAFTS
DEN BUILDING
BOARD GAMES
CARDS

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Regular Time (9am -3pm) - £20
Early Drop Off (8:30am) - £2 extra
Late Collection (4pm) - £3 extra

Children will need a packed lunch, plenty to drink, suitable clothing/footwear and bundles of energy for the day!

Ages 5-12 Years Old

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Below are the dates, venues and activities we have planned for the upcoming holiday camps!
Please note, we will also be running Creativity activities alongside our sports activities, which include arts and crafts, board games, Lego and much more!

Monday 22nd December	Tuesday 23rd December
Astley Primary School Gymnastics	All Saints Stibbard Primary Academy Dodgeball and Nerf Combat
AND	AND
Harpley Primary School Dodgeball and Nerf Combat	Roughton St. Mary's Endowed Primary Dodgeball and Nerf Combat

SANTA'S WORKSHOP

114 HIGH STREET, KING'S LYNN

next door to The Deck of Cards

DROP-IN NO NEED TO BOOK

£2 PER CHILD

29TH & 30TH NOV
6TH & 7TH DEC
13TH & 14TH DEC
20TH & 21ST DEC

10AM - 12.30PM & 1PM - 4PM

JOIN OUR ELVES FOR CHRISTMAS CRAFTS AND LETTERS TO SANTA

MEET SANTA + MOTHER CHRISTMAS AND RECEIVE A GIFT

Appropriate for children up to the age of 10

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Fresh Ideas Feeding Minds

School Lunch Menu

Tuesday 6th January 2026

Margherita Pizza (v)
with Tomato Pasta,
Peas and Sweetcorn

Or

Plant Balls in a BBQ Sauce (v)
with Steamed Rice,
Peas and Sweetcorn

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Cocoa Mousse



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Pantomime Lunch

Thursday 15th January 2026

The Giant's Grub
Large Sausage Roll
or
Plant Based Sausage Roll (v)

Magic Beans
Baked Beans

Bag of Golden Coins
Sliced Fried Potatoes

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Queen of Hearts
Jammie Dodger Biscuit