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,

As you will know we had a visit from Ofsted this week under the brand new inspection framework. A report is expected to be out in late January/early February. Thank you to everyone who contributed with surveys, we appreciate you taking the time.

Our value leaders will be leading some small scale fundraising at lunchtimes this term. They will be working with the PFA for both schools. Harpley have not had a chance to contact their PFA as yet as it has been a busy week. Great Massingham have met and they will be starting next week with selling items at lunch.

Active Education will run two clubs for us at Harpley, if there are enough participants. Each session is £3.50 per pupil. If football cannot be played outside, due to the weather, children will do dodgeball, or similar, in the Hall.

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

This week we have had another week of excellent fun and learning! We are planning a story to share with you all, about losing something special. The children have done a great job talking about and practicing telling their stories. Next week we will be starting to write our stories.
In maths we have really enjoyed learning about 2D and 3D shapes. We can recognise and name them and have started to talk about their properties. We were interested to find out that shapes can be regular or irregular but can be identified by their sides and vertices.
We have been using maps and Google Earth to find Harpley. We have been trying to find routes to nearby places like Lings Lynn and Swaffham and discussed how they are different to Harpley. We have then compared these places to London and talked about similarities and lots of differences!





SPECIAL MENTIONS

Infants:

Robin and **Kaden** for great focus this week.

Maisie for great geography skills

Juniors:

This week, our special mention goes to **the whole junior class**, well done for your hard work, tolerance and have a go attitude this week.

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

This week has been busy in the Junior class. Lots has been going on, but the Juniors have been amazing. The whole class had a go at some different NRICH games this week. The maths problems are designed to make the children think hard about what is happening. They worked well through these, and the maths talk happening was very interesting and engaging. We have also been taking part in a spot of gardening this week, preparing the tyres and plant beds for us to plant some seeds to grow flowers and some vegetables. We have also started to explore what seeds and plants need to grow and thrive.







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 – 19th January 2026 (Week 1 on the 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
3.20 Active Education Nerf Club https://activeeducation.info/

TUESDAY
Infant pupils to come to school in their school uniform, but bring their PE kit with them to change into.

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY
All pupils 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.
3.20 Active Education football club https://activeeducation.info/

FRIDAY
Junior swimming at the Oasis, Hunstanton. Juniors to be at school at 8.30am please.

FUTURE DATES

VISION, VALUES & COLLECTIVE WORSHIP - Friendship
Collective worship: - The children are learning about respect and how to think about their actions and words and the impact they have on others. **Bible quote:** Golden Rule, precept in the Gospel of Matthew (7:12): "In everything, do to others what you would have them do to you. . . ."

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%.**

December attendance: Infants 98.75%
Juniors 93.04%

Mrs Myhill and the Harpley team

PFA News – December 100 Club winners

1st Janine Pitcher
2nd Diane Britton
3rd Sue Turner

TERM DATES

2026 AUTUMN TERM 	2026 SPRING TERM 	2026 SUMMER TERM 
Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 18th December (Half term – Friday 23rd October – Friday 6th 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)



