

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Families,

In a really bizarre way, this feels like writing an end-of-term newsletter as today has seen the final day of home schooling and lockdown teaching. There is a sense of relief of not recording any more teaching videos and that being in our critical worker bubbles is now finished. But in reality, this is just the beginning! There is also a fresh sense of excitement and anticipation and the school atmosphere has been buzzing as teachers have been busy preparing classrooms and planning lessons ready for the return of all of the children from Monday. We are so looking forward to seeing them all! We would very much like to thank parents for all of their support with home learning during this lockdown period. For every number problem solved, book read, sentence written, picture painted, science question investigated, cake baked, forest path walked and game played we are so very grateful. Hopefully by now you have received all of the information you need ahead of Monday morning, but if you have any questions or worries that you would like addressed, please do not hesitate to get in contact via the email address below.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,  
The Harnham Infant School Team



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### Reading Books:

Please ensure your child brings their reading record and **reading books** back to school with them on Monday. We need to collect them in so that we will have enough books to quarantine and rotate before sending out again. Thank you.

### Parents Evening Dates:

A formal letter will follow but we wanted to give you some advance notice that we will be holding a Parents Evening (online) this term on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March.

### Welcome back messages from the teachers:

Do check your child's Seesaw account for a welcome back video message from their class teacher. We hope they make you smile and feel as excited as us about Monday morning! 😊



**WILTSHIRE NEEDS YOU TO PLAY YOUR PART**  
Help control the spread of COVID-19

Follow national restrictions | Keep washing hands regularly | Wear face coverings in enclosed spaces | Stay at least 2 metres apart | Self-isolate when instructed

#WiltshireTogether

### Menu for Next Week for the Critical Children Bubbles in School:

We are pleased to be offering the following choices of hot dinners for next week:  
Monday: Sausage and Mash or Cheese and Onion Quiche and Diced Potatoes  
Tuesday: Chicken Curry and Rice or Tomato Pasta  
Wednesday: Fish Cake or Pizza with Potato Wedges  
Thursday: Roast Chicken or Vegetable Wellington, Roast Potatoes and Veg  
Friday: Fish Fingers and Chips or Pasta in a Tomato Sauce

If you need help with anything or need some support, please email:

[requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk)



### Medicines in school:

If your child has any medication which they may need in school, please ensure it is in school and also that it remains in date. We just thought that coming back to school after this period of time might be a good time to check. Thank you.

### At Harnham Infant School...

We **won't** tell children:

- they need to catch-up because of Covid
- they are behind
- they have missed out on months of learning

We **will** tell children:

- they can do it
- we will help them
- we believe in them

We **will** support children to be kind, independent, respectful, creative, active and resilient learners.

This is our promise.



### Vacancies:

On our website, we have a vacancies page where any future job roles at our school will be advertised.

### Parent Support Advisor Contact:

You can contact Christ Lister by email [psa@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:psa@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk) or by telephone 07595217569

### Kidz Klobber:

Kidz Klobber have asked us to remind you that they are still able to supply uniform at this time, in case you need anything ahead of schools returning on 8<sup>th</sup> March. You can contact them to place an order on 01722 321200 or [tracey.bunn920@btinternet.com](mailto:tracey.bunn920@btinternet.com) or through their Facebook Kidz Klobber Salisbury Page. Uniform can be posted out to you or even delivered to your doorstep free of charge. 😊

### Foodbank Support in Easter Holidays:

The Salisbury Foodbank are offering some additional support beyond their normal service for the Easter Break. An additional food parcel can be delivered to your home. If you feel that your family would benefit from this, please do get in touch [requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk) Please be assured that every request will be treated confidentially.

### Mystery Readers:

To celebrate World Book Day, the staff have recorded videos of themselves reading stories where you can't see our faces. The children have really enjoyed these on Seesaw over the last 2 days and we still have some more videos so will be posting them throughout the weekend. We hope you enjoy them!

### Volunteers:

We have had some questions about whether parent helpers and volunteers are going to be able to come in to school to support. For the moment, we have been advised by Wiltshire Council and have therefore included in our risk assessment, not to have any more people on site than necessary. Therefore, we are unable to facilitate volunteers and helpers until at least Easter, when our risk assessment will be reviewed and hopefully, restrictions can continue to be eased. Thank you for your patience with this.

### Meet the Governors.....

*This week we would like to introduce Lorraine Batchelor.*

*Lorraine is the School's Emotional Literacy Support Assistant and is the staff governor. She has been on the Committee since 2016.*

*Lorraine chairs the Welfare Committee and is link governor for disadvantaged learners and Attendance.*



### Something for the Weekend:

This weekend, please spend some time talking with your children about returning to school. Keep it light, fun and exciting and let us know if they have any questions or worries.

