

Thursday 1st April 2021

Dear Families,

What a term! It seems slightly unreal that we began this term still in lockdown before welcoming the children back to school in early March. They have had a wonderful term full of learning, fun and excitement and we are certain that they are now ready for a school holiday!

We were so pleased to meet with so many parents at the parents evening consultation meetings this week. Thank you for taking the time to log in and for your patience with our technology issues, although thankfully they were very few. It is always great to share with parents how children are doing with their learning and to share their next steps too. This has been especially valuable given the continuing lockdown restrictions that mean we are currently unable to host parent events in school such as "Stay and..." and volunteering opportunities too. We do sincerely hope that if restrictions continue to ease then we may be able to begin some of these things in the near future. We will, of course, keep you informed. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

A huge thank you to all of the staff team who have worked tirelessly to fulfil their roles and duties to make this term such a success. At the heart of our staff team is a genuine love of the school community and the children and families we serve.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

The Harnham Infant School Team



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Blog Updates:

Don't forget to check Seesaw for a blog update for your child's class. ☺



A Message from Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service:

With the lockdown restrictions being lifted and more vehicles on the roads, combined with more children being out and about in the holidays it is important that everyone remembers how to stay safe using the roads. To entertain and help children with their road safety, we have created a webpage with short videos, information and activities for children, with a "webquest" challenge. Here is the link to access the resources:

<https://www.dwfire.org.uk/education/easter-fun-2021/>

Strive for Five:

Congratulations to the following children who were drawn out of the raffle today as the winners of Strive for Five:

Ladybirds: Maeve

Robins: Tudor

Hedgehogs: Isabella

Bees: Edie

Woodpeckers: Arthur

Badgers: Penny

Owls: Emilia

Dragonflies: Amelia

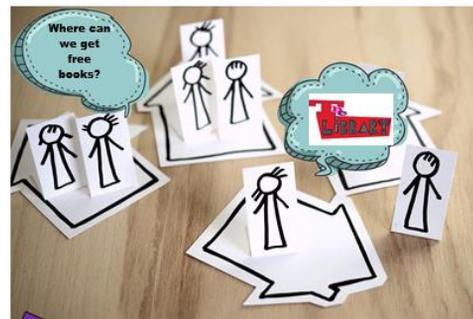
Wiltshire Libraries:

Here is the link to find a video message regarding the opening of libraries:

<https://youtu.be/Z9PFzCe8G2c>

Don't forget!

If you can't wait a couple of weeks for the library to open, you can still borrow books!



Order online or by phone and collect from the library

Get eBooks and eAudiobooks delivered direct to your device

For more details visit: wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries

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Menu for Next Week:

We are pleased to be offering the following choices of hot dinners for next week:

Monday: Sausage and Mash or Gnocchi and Tomato Sauce

Tuesday: Chicken Curry or Free Range Omelette

Wednesday: Hand made Fishcake or Pizza

Thursday: Beef and Yorkshire Pudding or Vegetable Puff

Friday: Fish Fingers and Chips or Vegetable Lasagne

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

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

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



Easter Competition: Design a Worry Monster

Prizes
to be
won!



Age
categories:
0-11's
11-17's

Email your entry, with your name & age
before 9th April 2021 and you could win
some yummy Easter treats!

What's a Worry Monster?

A worry monster can listen to, gobble up & hug away your
worries. It will need at least 2 ears for listening, at least 1
mouth to gobble up worries & at least 2 arms for giving hugs.
The rest is up to you!

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Parent Support Advisor Contact:

Chris Lister is the Parent Support Advisor for Harnham Infants and many families benefit from her expertise, support and advice. She can help parents with all sorts of things including difficulties with behaviour, financial matters, family breakdown and bereavement. Chris is also happy for you to get in touch if you're worried or concerned about any school related matters. You can contact her by email psa@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk or by telephone 07595217569



Harnham Schools Association:

The next Harnham Schools Association AGM will be held on Thursday 22nd April at 7.30pm. A link to the meeting will be sent out nearer to the time.

The HSA would really welcome and value the support of any new members who would like to get involved in supporting the infant and junior schools.

Thank you.

Families Reading Every Day (FRED):

We have been sent some information about an online course that might be of interest for families. It is free and designed to support families with reading at home with their children. Here is some further information:

The purpose of this course is to: develop learners' understanding of the methods and steps used to teach children to read. Studies show there are lots of positive effects for children if all family members read regularly to them, including: better attendance at school; higher self-esteem and confidence; making friends and a higher likelihood of going on to higher education... and earning more as an adult!

Who will benefit from attending?

This course is for parents and carers who want to support their child/children with reading. Any adult family member or carer who would like to develop their understanding of the importance of early interaction with phonics, words and books – this course is great for the whole family!

What will I learn?

Understand why, as your child's first teacher, it is important to read daily with your child

Learn various methods of reading and how to have fun reading together

Develop confidence with communication, reading and storytelling

How long is the course?

This is run as 2-hour sessions over 5 weeks, with some activities to do at home to help you practise your skills

For more information please visit: <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/event/fred-27-04/>