Friday 22nd January 2021 Dear Families,

We have come to the end of another week of learning at Harnham Infant School, whether children are accessing school provision or whether they are learning remotely at home, it is clear that everyone is trying their best and making us very proud indeed.

Teachers have also been busy trying to telephone every family and we know that these calls have been successful, on the whole. If you are yet to hear from us, in that we haven't successful been able to get through, please do get in touch and let us know how you are doing. Our aim is never to hassle or overwhelm families (we recognise how busy you are and what you are adjusting to) but we are committed to supporting you through this journey as we genuinely care for your well-being. You can email, call, send a message on Seesaw or even text us using the school gateway app.

Thank you for all of the kind feedback we have received about our home learning offer and for your efforts and enthusiasm to get involved with home learning, even when dressing up, playing games and making a mess! You are all doing a great job! Please enjoy these photographs as highlights of the week.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,



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This week in numbers:

As of 3.05pm this afternoon this week, we have had: 73 children accessing school provision 171 children using Seesaw and 3969 pieces of work uploaded!

Wow! Well done everyone keep going with your home learning!



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: Chicken Goujons or Vegetable Goujons

Tuesday: Sausage Roll or Macaroni Cheese

Wednesday: Bubble Salmon or Pizza

Thursday: Sausage Puff or Vegetarian Sausage Puff Friday: Fish and Chips or Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry

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

harnhaminf.wilts.sch.uk



The NHS Needs Your Help:

You may have picked up on this information from social media but please find below a call for action by the local NHS team – do take a look if you can.

URGENT: Call to action - Salisbury District Hospital needs extra volunteers

The NHS are looking for assistance with two volunteer roles as described below.

Mass vaccination centre volunteer

There is a new mass vaccination centre opening in the Salisbury City centre from next week and potentially running through to the Summer. We are looking for volunteers to help marshal to move people through the vaccination hub from beginning to end, keeping orderly queue management and some administrative roles booking people in, etc. This role requires you to be stood on your feet for potentially long periods of time. We're looking for you to ideally commit to a 4 hour session once a week for at least a month. Surgical masks will be worn. A simple fast track recruitment process will take place including a health risk assessment. There will be on the job training. Free parking in Salisbury city centre will be available when on shift.

Ward Buddies

This role supports ward staff to enable them to concentrate on the clinical tasks. Tasks will include moving equipment, answering the telephones, running errands, maintaining cleanliness of ward kitchen and general tidying up of patient areas, making patient drinks and delivering food. Full PPE will be issued as well as volunteer t-shirts. Enhanced buddy roles with more patient contact such as feeding some patients. These will require enhanced PPE. There will be a fast track deployment so most of the training will be on the job. We're looking for you to ideally commit to a 2 – 4 hour session once a week every week for the foreseeable future. Volunteers need to complete a health questionnaire and health risk assessment as part of the recruitment process in order to ensure a suitable match. Volunteers must be over 17 years of age, fit and able to do a full shift on their feet and feel comfortable working under their own initiative within defined parameters, in an environment that may feel pressured at times. Free parking at the hospital is available when on shift and/or reasonable travel expenses will be paid.

Can you help?

If you are interested in either or both roles, please email us on sft.volunteering@nhs.net stating which role is of interest, your name and contact details, and for the ward buddy, whether you have any previous experience volunteering or working in a hospital or medical environment, which is not necessary but could be beneficial.

Meet the Governors:

Our School Governors met last night and are keen to raise their profile in school and for you to get to know them a little bit better and understand more about their roles and responsibilities. If you have any questions, please do email chair@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

This week, meet Beth Evans, who is our Chair of Governors. Beth has been a governor for over 4 years and appointed by the Local Authority. She is also of the chair of the Curriculum Committee and link governor for EYFS, RE and More Able children.



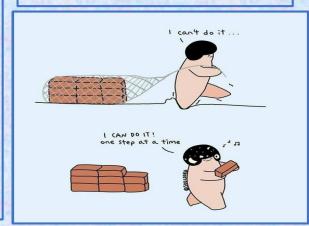
You can find out more and see a full list of our Governors on our school website

https://www.harnhaminfants.org .uk/governors

Perform for Schools:

Perform are still running their drama classes online. They have asked us to get in touch and let you know that all children are welcome to try a free trail session if they would like to. For more information, please visit https://www.perform.org.uk/free-

https://www.perform.org.uk/freedrama-class



Parent Support Advisor:

Chris Lister, our Parent Support Advisor is still working throughout this lockdown period. She is a great listening ear and a fantastic source of information and support whatever your situation. If you would like to have a confidential chat, you can get in touch with her on 07595 217569 or you can email her too psa@harnhaminf.wilts.sch.uk

Letter from Helean Hughes:

Attached to this newsletter you will find a letter rom Helean Hughes, who is the Director of Education for Wiltshire Council. Please do make sure that you read it carefully.

Fruit:

The Governments Fruit and Vegetable Scheme have started delivering again to school. This is leaving us with some spare fruit and vegetables which we would hate to have to throw away. For any parents whose children are attending school provision, spare fruit will be put in the playground at pick up time — please do help yourself (in a socially distanced manner of course) Thank you!

Devices Update:

A survey was sent out earlier this week to ascertain which of our families are in need of an electronic device in order to access home learning. If you are yet to respond, it is not too late, just click on this link:

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We are moving forward with these requests as quickly as we can and are hoping to start getting devices out to families soon.

Something for the Weekend:

The next 'Something for the Weekend' has landed in your child's Seesaw journal and contains a really exciting opportunity for this weekend. Miss Dorrington is running her very own virtual "Cook-a-long" this weekend on Zoom. A recipe has been attached to the video on Seesaw to let you know what ingredients you will need in order to take part.

Do sign up via clubs on the school gateway app for some family fun together. Have fun! ☺

Changes on Seesaw:

We are listening to feedback from parents and will slightly change Seesaw provision for all year groups from next week. For all year groups, each day the work will be assigned and the morning announcement from the teacher will list what "priority" order the work should be completed in. Then, every year group with have a lighter touch on a Friday (Family Fun Friday) which will allow time to finish off or practice again anything from the week, plus some creative activities and games. We hope you enjoy them.

Remote Learning Top tips:

Early in the week, a PDF document containing top tips for learning online was sent out to families. We hope you find them useful.



Does anyone you know need some help?

We are really wanting to support our families and work together to make sure that everyone has everything that they need during this time. If you, or if another family you know in our school community, are struggling at the moment, perhaps financially or putting food on the table, please do get in touch as we will be able to help.

You can email requestforsupport@harnham- inf.wilts.sch.uk and be assured of our total discretion.











