

Friday 12th June 2020

Dear Families,

We do hope you are all continuing to stay safe and well. It seems so weird that despite the 'lockdown' times seems to be moving faster than ever and we cannot believe we have come to the end of another week at Harnham Infant School.

This week, children at school have been following a chosen child-initiated theme and continuing to get to know new friends and members of staff in their bubble. At home, children have ventured 'Into the Woods' and been inspired by so many different fairytales from Anthony Browne's book.

The staff team continue to respond to ever-changing guidelines set by the government, sometimes with little or no notice and no explanation. Everyone is working so hard and trying their absolute best with this huge task that has made education and learning barely recognisable to what we used to know prior to the CV19 pandemic. Of course, we know it will come to an end, restrictions will ease in time and our hall, playground and classrooms will once again be busy, productive and full of smiling families. We hold on to the hope that, when those days arrive, we'll all be kinder, more grateful and more resilient than ever before. It is a pleasure to work together with families in making this happen, holding on through the storm together, learning to dance in the rain and waiting for the rainbow to appear.

We are still thinking of you all and are here if you need us.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

The Harnham Infant School Team



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Important Information - Seesaw Log Ins

Many of the children's Seesaw log ins are due to expire very soon. We are busy sending out new log in codes to you all, which you will need to activate in order to not lose access to Seesaw if you are still learning at home with us. These will be sent to you through email. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions.



If you need help with anything or need some support, please email:
requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk



Transition Update

Our plans for transition are very much underway. This week, we have been discussing in our teams about ways that children will get to say farewell to their current teacher and how we can introduce new teachers before September. We will be in touch with more details as soon as we have them to share with you.

This week, Mrs Pike has met with Miss Fletcher and Mrs Quartley to discuss the next part of the Year 2 to Year 3 transition. They had a handover of the class information and discussed the content of the specific webpage for the year 2 children on the Harnham Junior website, where our year 2 families will find an introduction, maps and videos to begin learning about the junior school. Here is the website link for you: <https://harnhamj.co.uk/transition-year-2-3>

Permission please

As we are unable to manage transition this year for our new EYFS pupils in the same way as we normally would, we are making some introductory videos to show the new children about some familiar aspects of school life, such as Forest School, PE lessons, lunchtimes and playtimes. We are filming these in school at the moment using short clips to show the new children. No children will be named. If you would prefer your child not to be part of the video, please may you email requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

Wider School Reopening News

We have had more children return to school this week and settle in to their new 'bubble' and we know that more children are returning on Monday too. Everyone is doing really well adapting to the 'new normal'. Thank you for observing the one way route on site and being thoughtful in your distancing and parking.

In light of the government announcement this week regarding the returning to school of all primary pupils before the summer holidays, we just wanted to acknowledge how hard it must be for our amazing year 2 children who will be moving up to juniors in September. Please rest assured that we haven't forgotten you and we are busy behind the scenes making plans to ensure that we can give you all the send off and an opportunity for the goodbye that you deserve.



Notices for children in school

We have a few notices specifically for those children who are attending school.

- Please wear warm clothes. Government guidelines indicate that we have to keep the doors and windows open to allow for good ventilation in each room. With the cooler weather, the children are getting cold so please do send them in with warmer clothes until the sunshine and warm weather returns.
- It is important that the children wear fresh, clean clothes everyday. Clothes must be washed before wearing them to school again. Please do not be offended if we ask you about this, we are just following important guidelines about minimising risk.
- Please may children bring their reading records in on a Friday for book change to happen. Thank you.
- Menu for school packed lunches next week:
Monday to Thursday – choice of ham, cheese or chicken mayo rolls
Friday – Fish Finger roll
- Please may you ensure children wear Forest School suitable clothes on their Forest School days as listed below:

Trolls – Friday am	Unicorns – Tuesday pm
Wizards – Tuesday pm	Elves – Wednesday am
Gnomes – Wednesday pm	Dragons – Thursday am
Pixies – Wednesday pm	

TD Days

Just a reminder that our planned TD days for Thursday 25th and Friday 26th June are now cancelled.

The Reading Agency and Libraries Present



SILLY SQUAD

Summer Reading Challenge 2020
sillysquad.org.uk



Food Parcels

We have had a message from Salisbury City Council to say that they are putting together food parcels every Tuesday to deliver to the local community. They currently have about 5 spaces for delivering food parcels to families in and around Harnham. You do not need to meet any 'criteria' to be assigned a food parcel, so if your family is in a situation where you know you are in need and will benefit from this service, please do let us know by emailing requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk. Please be assured that all requests and referrals are handled with confidentiality and sensitivity.

Summer Reading Challenge

This year, the summer reading challenge is being run digitally. This year, the theme is 'Silly Squad'. Further information and opportunity to sign up can be found at:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

We do hope you will join in!

Kids Klobber

In line with government guidelines, Kids Klobber in Salisbury are due to open to the public for the purchasing of items of uniform from Monday 15th June. There will be additional social distancing and handwashing measures in place. Kids Klobber have requested that parents try to shop early to avoid the summer 'crowds' and to pay using contactless methods where at all possible.

Their opening hours are Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.00pm and Saturday 9.00am to 5.00pm.

Kids Klobber are also offering a collection service at the door for orders that can be placed through their facebook page.



Bedtime Stories

Bedtime Stories are continuing on the school blog. Enjoy!

Birthdays this week:

Mrs Shaw celebrates the birthdays of anyone who turned 5, 6 or 7 this week on the school blog! We love celebrating birthdays!

Something for the Weekend:

Why not get involved with the RSPCA's Stay at Home Pet Show this weekend. It looks fun! Here is a link:

<https://www.rspca.org.uk/getinvolved/events/onefunday>



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WHERE THE CHILD'S THINGS ARE

