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What a glorious 'sunshiny' week we have had! At Harnham Infant School we love being outside and we really do take our learning into the outdoors whatever the weather but there is something so special about learning in the sunshine. Please remember to send your child to school with a named sun hat, a bottle of water and sun cream applied. This week we have held Pupil Progress meetings in school, this is an opportunity for the teachers to discuss the progress of every child in their class. These meetings always highlight just how well all the children are known and how incredibly well supported they are across the whole curriculum.

On Tuesday Miss Dominy and the Little Heroes invited their military heroes in to school to enjoy a breakfast of pastries together. It was so lovely to see so many families attend the breakfast. All of the children across the school were also invited to accessorise their school uniforms with purple as a special nod to the Month of the Military Child.



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to Letty - Ladybirds, Sonny - Robins, Rene - Bees, Maeve - Squirrels, JJ - Woodpeckers, Rupert - Badgers, Alice - Owls and Harry - Dragonflies. We are so proud of you all!

Invitations to Celebration Assembly are sent on a Friday for the following week, plus a reminder the day before. Please check your email inbox carefully.

Please look at the 'WEEK 3 Menu' for week beginning 5th May 2025:
REMEMBER TO PRE-ORDER ONLINE

Dinner Times CHOICE SUMMER	Week 1 21st Apr, 12th May, 2nd Jun 23rd Jun, 14th Jul	Week 2 28th Apr, 19th May 9th Jun, 30th Jun	Week 3 5th May, 26th May 16th Jun, 7th Jul
	MONDAY Margherita Pinwheel (V) * Summer Pesto Pasta (VG)* Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Carrots, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Fruit Ice Lolly (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Hand Stretched Margherita or Pineapple Pizza (V) Mild Bean Chili Loaded Nachos & Potato Wedges (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Baked Potato Wedges, Sweetcorn, Green Beans Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Strawberry Mousse (V)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	BANK HOLIDAY Hand Stretched Margherita Pizza with Garlic Sauce (V) Spinach & Potato Curry & Rice (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Carrots, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Chocolatey Crispy Cake (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt
	TUESDAY Chilli Con Carne with Nachos & Steamed Rice (GF) Authentic Vegetable Curry & Steamed Rice (VG) (GF) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Peas, Cauliflower Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Peach Upside Down Cake & Custard (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	* Summer Pastitsio (Greek Bolognese Pasta Bake)* Plant Based Pasta Bolognese (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Sweetcorn, Carrots Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Red Velvet Brownie (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	The Dolce All Day Breakfast The Dolce All Day Breakfast (V) (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Hash Brown, Baked Beans, Peas Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Fresh Fruit Salad (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt
	WEDNESDAY Roast Chicken (GF) Vegetable Burrito (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Fresh Melon Slices (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Roast Chicken (GF) * Roasted Vegetable Tart (VG)* Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) New Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Rocky Road Traybake (V)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Roast Chicken (GF) Ratatouille Pasta (VG) or Salmon Pasta Salad (GF) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Mashed Potatoes, Carrots, Savoy Cabbage, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Oaty Fruit Crunch (VG)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt
	THURSDAY Hand Stretched Pepperoni or Sweetcorn Pizza with Garlic Sauce (V) * Indian Butter Chicken & Rice (GF)* Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Broccoli, Carrots Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Cherry & Apple Crumble & Custard (V)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Oven Baked Sausages or Plant Based Sausages (VG) * Creamy Cajun Pasta Bake (V)* Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Mashed Potatoes, Sweetcorn, Cabbage, Gravy Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Jelly & Fruit (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Macaroni Cheese (V) Cottage pie (GF) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Broccoli, Sweetcorn Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Jelly & Ice Cream (V)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt
	FRIDAY Breaded Fish Fingers Vegan Sausage Roll (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Soft Roll with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread * Snickerdoodle Cookie (VG)* Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Breaded Fish Fingers Vegan Cottage Pie (VG) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Baguette with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Ginger Cookie (VG) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt	Breaded Fish Fingers or * Fishless Fingers (VG)* Broccoli & Cheddar Quiche (V) Jacket Potato & Fillings (V) (VG) (GF) Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings (V) (VG) Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Ketchup Fresh Daily Salad Selection, Homemade Bread Blueberry Swirl Cake (V) Dolce Homebake, Seasonal Fruit, Fruit Yoghurt

PSHE – No Outsiders and P4C

We are offering parents an opportunity to come and observe a No Outsiders lesson at 2pm on Tuesday 17th June followed by an opportunity to look at our picture book resources which support our work.

In Term 6 we are going to trial two Philosophy for Children Family Sessions, and we would love you and your family to be part of this! P4C is a way of children exploring 'big issues' together and we would like to extend this approach to involving older siblings (7-11 year olds) and their parents.

The dates for these are Wednesday 25th June and Wednesday 2nd July 2025 in the school hall, 3.30-4.30pm. If you and your family would like to take part, then please email me:

nallexant@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

This is open to all children in Years 1 and 2 and their parents/older siblings. All children attending must be accompanied by a parent/carer. Please commit to attending both sessions.

VE Day – Thursday 8th May

Next week we will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of VE Day. If you have any Union Jack bunting that you would be happy to donate to school, we would be incredibly grateful. Please could this be dropped off at the admin office by Wednesday – thank you.

Don't forget children can come to school dressed in red, white and/or blue on Thursday 8th May. Please may you ensure your child's lunch order is completed by the beginning of next week so that the kitchens can prepare for the picnic lunch.

Sports Day

Sports Day 2025 will be held (weather permitting!) on Tuesday 3rd June. A letter from Mr Brownsey was sent out today with more information.

Sunshine support

Sunlight Learning supports and equips parents, carers and professionals with tools to successfully [Next attachment](#) en with Additional Needs or those who are Neurodivergent.

We **encourage, equip and empower individuals** with the knowledge and ability to overcome day to day challenges with confidence.

This is done through providing **skills workshops, engaging in personal coaching,** and **fostering social connections** between families

Family Play Days

Sundays in 2025
11th May, 8th June, 13th July
2.30pm – 4.00pm

Harnham Social Club, Parsonage Green,
Salisbury SP2 8LA

What to Expect

- A safe space where you and all your children can meet and play with the available toys and games.
- As parents, you can make new friends, share ideas and support others in a similar situation to yourself.
- For your children, they can play alone or with others within a safe environment under your supervision.
- There is a football field and climbing playground outside to use, weather permitting.
- **Cost for all family socials – £3.50 per family**



[Home - Sunshine Support](#)

Netball Club

Unfortunately, we have had to push back the start date of our netball club, due to lack of numbers. If we do not have any more uptake, we will have to cancel this club, which would be a shame.

If you think your child would like to take part, you can book using the link in the poster to the right. The total cost is £54, with the last session being the 16th July.

Dojo Reward

The Squirrels have reached their next Dojo Treat! They have decided to look after a jelly baby for the day! Mr Brownsey will prepare everything for the treat so you do not need to do anything for this. He will post the ingredients of the jelly babies on Seesaw for your awareness.

Social Media

Find our Harnham Infant School accounts on Facebook and Instagram – give us a follow!

<https://www.facebook.com/HarnhamInfant/>

<https://www.instagram.com/harnhaminfant/?hl=en>



WEDNESDAYS
3:10 - 4:10pm
YEARS
1-2
TERM
23rd April - 16th July

NETBALL AT HARNHAM INFANT SCHOOL



Harnham Infant School is joining with Play Netball Juniors to offer your children weekly, extra-curricular Netball sessions from April 2025!

Your children will benefit from weekly, skills-based sessions specific to their age group, with a mix of games, physical activities and Netball skill exercises, focussing on progression, confidence, teamwork and having fun!

PLAY NETBALL
Welcoming boys & girls of all abilities, our Junior Coaches are Safeguard Trained, DBS cleared and have a strong background in Netball, with excellent skills and knowledge required to teach, and a genuine passion for helping young players develop.

£6 PER SESSION
If you'd like to book a space, use the link below.
[Book and pay for your child's space](#)

ABOUT US
Play Netball has been the UK's largest & most followed Social Sports provider for the past 10 years, with over 150 leagues & 35,000 women playing with us weekly. You can trust that Play Netball Juniors will be the perfect start, or enhancement to your child's love for sport.

Social skills
Communication, confidence, teamwork

Physical skills
Marking, running/stopping, jumping, footwork

Tactical skills
Decision making, anticipation

Key skills
Passing, catching, ball control, shooting, rules



Upcoming Dates

Whole School	
Term 5	
8.5.25	VE Day Picnic Lunch (children to wear red, blue and/or white)
9.5.25	HSA Chocolate Bingo event
12.5.25	Class Photos
15.5.25	Summer Census Day
23.5.25	End of Term 5
EYFS	
16.5.25	Local trip to Harnham Watermeadows
Year 1	
19.5.25	Zoolab visit to school (Letter sent out)
20/21/22.5.25	Local trip to the allotments, shop and Harnham Watermeadows
23.5.25	Stay and share a book (2pm)
Year 2	
7.5.25	People who changed the world day (staff to dress up)
14.5.25	Trip to the Lyceum Theatre
19.5.25	Stay and Celebrate (2pm)
Term 6 – Key Dates	
3.6.25	Sports Day (EYFS – 9.15-10.15am, Year 1 – 10.30-11.30am, Year 2 – 1.30-2.30pm)
10.6.25	Reserve Sports Day
11.6.25	Community Forest School 10am – 12pm
17.6.25	No Outsiders Lesson Workshop, 2pm
New EYFS Cohort – September 2025	
16.6.25	Parent Information Evening, 7pm
24.6.25	Children and families to visit Forest School (class times TBC)
2.7.25	Children and families to workshop in the school hall (class times TBC)
11.7.25	Children to visit their classroom, refreshments provided in the hall for parents (class times TBC)
TD Days 2025 - 2026	
1 st September 2 nd September 22 nd October 5 th January 15 th June	

Attendance

Weekly whole school attendance:	96.7% ↑ from last week	Number of late marks in the Registers:	30 ↑ from last week
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Harnham Infant School warmly invite you to join us at our

Community Forest School

Wednesday 11th June, 10am – 12pm

Do you have a child or children under 5, then why not come along to our FREE forest session where we will be offering a range of fun forest based activities including pond dipping, willow weaving, find the animal activities and a fire pit! Plus a snack and drink will be provided.

Everyone must come appropriately dressed – this includes wearing long sleeves and long trousers, suitable footwear, sun hats and sun cream if it is sunny, waterproof trousers and coats if its wet.

Parents, Grandparents, Childminders and all most welcome – you do not have to be a current Harnham Infant school family to attend – we can't wait to meet you all!



Please book a space by calling us on; 01722 327 338

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit thenationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about INSTAGRAM

Instagram remains one of the world's most popular social media platforms, especially among teens – with around 70% of 13 to 17-year-olds using it. Owned by Meta, Instagram allows users to share photos and videos, create interactive 'stories', broadcast live, send private messages and follow others. With regular updates and new features, it's essential for parents and educators to stay informed about how children are using the app – and what the risks are.

AGE RESTRICTION 13+

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EXCESSIVE SCREEN TIME

Instagram's design encourages prolonged use through endless scrolling of trending content and generating a fear of missing out (FOMO). Children can quickly lose track of time browsing posts from friends, influencers, and strangers, which may disrupt their day-to-day activities.

LIVE AI CHATBOT CONCERNS

Meta's AI, which is available on Instagram, allows users to chat with an in-app chatbot. While often helpful, it can blur boundaries for young users, who may ask for or read content that is inappropriate or see it as a real friend or confidant. Privacy issues also arise, as conversations may not be as secure or private as children assume.

RISKS OF GOING LIVE

The livestream feature allows real-time broadcasting to followers – or anyone, if the account is public. This increases the chance of unwanted contact from strangers and pressure to act in ways that gain attention, including engaging in inappropriate behaviour. Viewers may also post offensive or harmful comments during live sessions.

THREADS INTEGRATION

Threads is Instagram's sister app for public, text-based conversations. Posts from Threads appear in users' Instagram feeds and can lead children to view, share, and comment on public conversations with strangers. The content may not always be age-appropriate and can be misleading or false.

SCHEDULED MESSAGING

Instagram's newer ability to schedule direct messages means that children could receive messages late at night or early in the morning. This can disrupt their sleep or keep them preoccupied before the school day even begins.

EXCLUSION AND LOW SELF-WORTH

Feeling left out online can have a real emotional impact. Being left out of photos, receiving fewer likes, being unfollowed, or being ignored in chats and comments can leave children feeling excluded, which often hurts as much as in real life. There is a risk this can lead to reduced self-esteem and a sense of not belonging.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE INSTAGRAM'S SUPERVISION TOOLS

Instagram's built-in Family Centre lets parents monitor how much time their child spends on the app. Specialised 'teen accounts' are private by default and offer controls on who can message them. Make sure that children use their real age when registering their account to ensure they have these protections.

OPEN UP THE CONVERSATION

Talk regularly to the children in your care about what they enjoy on Instagram – and what makes them uncomfortable. Encourage honest chats about filters, body image, and online approval. Reassure them that they don't need to edit their appearance or chase 'likes' to feel valued.

SET BOUNDARIES FOR THREADS AND AI

Parental controls on Instagram also apply to Threads. These allow parents to monitor time spent in the app, check follower lists and adjust exposure to sensitive content. Discuss AI features, too, therefore helping children understand that chatbots aren't real people and should be used with care.

BE MEDIA-SAVVY WITH INFLUENCERS

Parents should follow a few of the influencers their child watches, so they can better understand the content they're seeing. Use this as a springboard to talk about the difference between genuine recommendations and paid promotions – and how online personalities can shape opinions and behaviour.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant, educator and researcher who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and setting behaviour of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.

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