



HARNHAM INFANT SCHOOL

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Newsletter 23

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It has been lovely to see a little more of the Spring sunshine this week, we think EYFS had their first 'dry' Forest School session this year, which is something to celebrate too! There has been a real demonstration this week of the many elements that go into ensuring a school runs smoothly and operates not only as a great learning environment but as part of a wider community too.

Firstly, EYFS went on a school trip to Hillier Gardens in Romsey. The buzz and excitement was tangible and everyone had a brilliant time. The staff at Hilliers were complimentary about the behaviour and attitudes of the children too. Thank you to the EYFS team for organising this opportunity for the children.

In school, we held some pupil progress meetings to ensure that the children are making progress towards their intended outcomes in time for the end of the academic year. These meetings help us to determine what is going well and enables us to be accountable and determined about the next steps in learning.

A New 2 You uniform sale took place in the hall this week too. We must say a huge "Thank You" to the parent volunteers who run this initiative for us and enable high quality affordable uniform to be on offer. If you missed it, there will be further opportunities to place an order at Parent Consultation evenings next week.

Year 1 treated us to the most wonderful production of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and a huge well done must go to the children, who were able to demonstrate lovely singing, great acting and fabulous dance moves! The pride on the parents' faces as they watched was truly special. Thank you to the staff team for their hard work too.



The Full Governing Body also held a meeting this week. This was an opportunity to reflect and review progress towards the school improvement priorities for this academic year as information was shared about attendance, professional development, policy changes, inclusion, attainment data, curriculum development and accountability with school effectiveness team from Wiltshire Council.



Finally, as a school community we were able to give back to the wider community by making a substantial contribution to the Big Easter Appeal by Salisbury Radio, who came to collect your donations to the local foodbanks and pantries. They were astounded by how much had been donated and it is wonderful to see our school values in action as we seek to support any who may need it. Thank you to all the parents and staff who supported this initiative, your kindness is so appreciated.

Wow – what a week! Just four more school days until the holidays, we are sure your children (and all the staff) are feeling ready for a break!

Menu for week beginning 25th March:

Monday	Plant-based burger in a Bap or Spaghetti Bolognese Dessert: Yoghurt and Fruit
Tuesday	Chicken Goujons with Diced Potatoes or Tomato Pasta Dessert: Chocolate Brownie
Wednesday	Oriental style Chicken with Rice or Pizza with Crinkle Wedges Dessert: Fruit and Jelly
Thursday	Fish Fingers and Chips or Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry with Rice Dessert: Shortbread Biscuit
Friday	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to Gracie – Hedgehog, Maisie and Ethan – Robin, Ellis – Woodpecker, Phoebe – Squirrel, Jenson – Bee, Freddie – Dragonfly, Chloe – Owl and Harry – Badger. The Sports Award was won by Archie – Dragonfly. We are so proud of you all!

We are looking forward to celebrating with Invitations to Celebration Assembly are sent out on a Friday for the following week, plus a reminder the day before. Please check your inbox carefully.

Dojo Rewards

Congratulations to the **Squirrel** Class who have reached their next 1000 dojo point milestone! They have voted to have some special time to take part in Lego and Arts and Crafts. This will take place on Tuesday morning. Parents do not need to do or provide anything. Well done to the Squirrels!

End of the Day



Please be aware that staff will not hand over your children to you at the end of the day unless we have your full attention, even if we can see you are there. Please give us a wave so that we know you are ready to greet your child.

This is also a reminder that mobile phone use is not permitted on school site including while you are waiting before or after school. This is a safeguarding risk and we politely remind you to leave your phone in your pocket or bag. Thank you.

FUEL – Easter Holiday Programme

Just a reminder that if your children receives the pupil premium fund, they are eligible to attend the FUEL holiday club in the Easter holiday. Further information is available here: <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure/fuel-programme>

Please remember you need to book your child a place by 27th March.



Important – changes to the timings of the school day

Don't forget that the timings of the school day are being tightened up for attendance purposes. The new timings are as follows:

08.45 Children begin to arrive and go up to class

08.55 Gates shut promptly

08.56 **Registers close**

08.56-09.05 Children arrive and go through the school office. They are marked as **late** (L)

09.05 Any children who arrive after this time are marked as U in the register, which is classed as

unauthorised. For any children who have 10 or more unauthorised sessions within 6 months, parents will receive a fine from the Local Authority.



Parent Support Advisor:

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

Dates for your diaries:

Here are some important things coming up over the next few weeks:

Whole School	
25.3.24 and 27.3.24	Parents Consultation Evenings – appointments have been sent out
27.3.24	HSA Bake Sale after school
28.3.24	End of term
17.4.24	HSA Non-uniform day for Chocolate
17.4.24, 7.00pm	HSA AGM Meeting – details to follow
26.4.24	HSA Chocolate Bingo Event – details to follow
Year 1	
19.4.24	Year 1 Visit from Zoolab
26.24.24, 3.30pm	Year 1 Phonics Screening Information for parents
Year 2	
28.3.24	Year 2 Castle Themed Day

Term Dates and TD Days for Next Academic Year 2024-2025

The TD days for next academic year are:

- Monday 2nd September 2024
- Tuesday 3rd September 2024
- Wednesday 23rd October 2024
- Friday 14th February 2025
- Monday 23rd June 2025

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SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2024-25

Key:

- School Holiday
- Bank Holiday
- Term Time

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.

5 days are also available for professional training day closures during term time, set by the Headteacher and Governors of each school.

Term dates summary:

Term 1	02 September to 23 October 2024	38 days
Term 2	04 November to 20 December 2024	35 days
Term 3	06 January to 14 February 2025	30 days
Term 4	24 February to 04 April 2025	30 days
Term 5	22 April to 23 May 2025	23 days
Term 6	02 June to 24 July 2025	39 days
TOTAL		195 Days

Bank and Public Holidays 2024/2025

Christmas Day Holiday	25th December 2024
Boxing Day Holiday	26th December 2024
New Year's Holiday	1st January 2025
Good Friday	18th April 2025
Easter Monday	21st April 2025
May Day Holiday	05th May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26th May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25th August 2025

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FREE COSTUME LIBRARY



**IF YOU NEED A COSTUME FOR A SCHOOL TREAT DAY,
WORLD BOOK DAY, OR ANOTHER SCHOOL EVENT
THEN WE WOULD LOVE TO TRY AND HELP YOU**

We have a small range available to borrow, so simply:

POP US A MESSAGE INCLUDING YOUR CHILD SIZE

(ideally via the school Facebook pages or via the school reception)

WE LET YOU KNOW WHAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE IN YOUR SIZE

WE THEN ARRANGE TO GET THE COSTUME TO YOU VIA SCHOOL

All that we ask for in return is that, once you have finished with the costume – there is no limit to how long you can keep it for – that you return to school (clean and washed) so that another child can then enjoy it.

If you have any outgrown costumes you would like to donate then we would love to receive them, simply drop them off at either school reception (clean and washed) and we will do the rest.



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on a selection of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS on an Android Phone

On Android phones, restricting access to particular apps usually requires going onto Google Play. From there, it's fairly easy to navigate your way through the settings to manage the parental controls and authentications relating to any apps on the device. These features can prevent your child from downloading or buying anything unsuitable for their age. Updated versions of apps or games that your child has already installed may occasionally contain something inappropriate, so we've explained how to stop those, too.



How to Block App Downloads (This Also Disables In-app Purchases):

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Scroll down to the Family section and tap Parental controls
- 5 Toggle "Parental controls are off" to "Parental controls are on"
- 6 Create a PIN and tap OK
- 7 Confirm your PIN and tap OK again
- 8 Tap Apps & Games
- 9 Set the age limit you wish to set
- 10 Tap Save to apply your changes

How to Stop Auto-updates

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Auto-Update Apps
- 5 Select 'Don't auto-update apps' and then tap Done

Restricting Apps Through Google Family Link

- 1 Open Google Play Family Link for parents
- 2 Tap the three horizontal lines in the top left
- 3 Select your child's account
- 4 Tap Manage
- 5 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 6 Tap Apps & Games
- 7 Select the age limit you wish to set



In the Community:



Junior Tennis Coaching (Age 4-18)

JOIN US FOR A TASTER SESSION

Mini Red (Age 4-8) - Monday & Friday 4-5 pm

Orange/Green Ball (Age 9-10) - Monday & Friday 4-5 pm

U12/14 Club (Age 11-14) - Monday & Friday 5-6 pm

18 & Under Club (Age 15-18) - Friday 6-7 pm

£90 = 10 x 55 min. sessions

Venue: Downton Tennis Centre, Wick Ln, Downton,
Salisbury SP5 3NF

To book or find out more email

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EASTER MULTI-SPORTS CAMP

WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL - FRIDAY 5TH APRIL 2024

Camp Venue

HARNHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL

Saxon Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire, SP2 8JZ

Register Online

<https://district-sports-south.classforkids.io/camp/9>

£20 per child per day £10 per half day

9am-3pm



Julia's House

EASTER BUNNY

& THE LOST EGGS TRAIL

AT WILTON HOUSE

28th to 30th
March 2024

11am to 5pm



You're invited to an Easter Egg Hunt! Help Easter Bunny and his Toy friends find all the lost eggs in the enchanting grounds of Wilton House and collect your chocolate prize!

juliashouse.org/eggs

£4 per trail, including prize.

Normal admissions to Wilton House apply.

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Balance Your Budget

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- ✓ Identify essential and non-essential spending
- ✓ Create and stick to a budget

This course is free if you are 19+ and have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+ years (some immigration statuses exempt) and have a Wiltshire postcode.

If you are unsure about eligibility, we are always happy to talk. Get in touch by email at familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk or call the team on 01225 770478



Free Online Course

Thursday 4 April
10am - 12noon

**Booking closes
Thursday 28 March**



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