



Friday 16th December 2022

Dear Families,

We cannot believe we have come to the end of term 2 as this academic year seems to be speeding by. There were lots of smiles as the children left the playground today with the excitement of the festive season upon them, though we are sure that they (and the staff) are ready for a good rest too!

As well as being a very cold week, this week has also seen lots of joy and celebrations. As well as many dojo rewards for the classes, the children have also enjoyed a Christmas party and a Christmas dinner. Thank you to all of the staff who worked so hard to put these events on. From buttering bread, to cooking sausages, counting and cutting grapes and wrapping parcels, the children have had a wonderful time.

We would like to thank all of the parents for every card, gift and kind wish that you have given, they really do mean so much. We sincerely hope you have a safe and enjoyable holiday together with your loved ones,

The Harnham Infant School Team



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Blogs:

Please do log in to Seesaw for the weekly update from the class teachers containing information about the learning in your child's class, ideas of how you can support at home and some photos too. You can also upload things from home! 😊

Return to School:

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Wednesday 4th January 2023. Have a lovely break!

Notices from the office:

If your child is absent from school due to ill health, please may you telephone in, send a message via the school gateway app or email the school office (admin@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk) to let them know and the reason for absence. This information must go to the school office, though of course, do copy in the class teacher if you would like to too. You must do this each subsequent day that your child is away – failure to do so will result in the absence not being authorised. Thank you for your support with this.

In addition, please try to avoid taking your child out of school for medical appointments wherever possible. However, if you do need to, we must see evidence of the appointment e.g. letters, appointment cards, text messages etc. Thank you.

Safety Reminder:

Please may we remind you to keep your children with you when waiting in the playground and remind them not to swing on the white bars. A child fell off there earlier in the week. We would hate for any injuries to happen. Thank you for your support with this.

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



Celebration Assembly:

Congratulations to the following children who were on the Celebration Bench this week.

Grace – Ladybird, Ayaan – Robin, Oscar – Hedgehog, Henry – Bee, Henry – Woodpecker, Oliver – Squirrel, Petru – Owl, Sofia – Badger and Belle – Dragonfly. Well done to you all!

We are looking forward to celebrating with more children on Monday 9th January.

Invitations to parents are sent out on a Tuesday via email with a reminder on the Sunday afternoon. We do hope you can join us.

Menu for Week Beginning 2.1.22

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

Monday: Bank Holiday

Tuesday: Teacher Training Day – School Closed to Children

Wednesday: Pasta and Meatballs or Pizza with Diced Potatoes **Dessert:** Shortbread

Thursday: Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding or Vegetable Goujons, Potatoes and Veg **Dessert:** Apple Sponge

Friday: Fish and Chips or Baked Bean and Cheddar Cheese Quesadilla **Dessert:** Selection of Cold Desserts



Help and Support:

We know that there is a lot of expense happening at the moment with the rising costs of fuel and food, which may be making things tricky for some families. Please don't forget that we have put together a document which outlines some potential sources of support. This was sent to your email inboxes last week but you can also find a copy on the school website by clicking this link:

<https://www.harnhaminfants.org.uk/helpandsupport>

In addition, in school we have a supply of some emergency food parcels as well as the ability to support with foodbank vouchers as well. If you would like to request some help at anytime, you can use this email address:

requestforsupport@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

Forest School:

As you know, learning in Forest School is an important part of the Harnham Infant School curriculum and every child accesses Forest School every week through the year. This includes in the cold weather conditions. **Please can we ask that, if it is really cold outside, you send your child in with lots of warm layers** so that they have the best chance of staying warm while outside. Extra pairs of socks, leggings etc are highly recommended through the winter months. Thank you for your help.

New 2 You - Uniform:

Please don't forget that we have our own second hand uniform shop at school. The team are planning on offering uniform sales approximately once per month but are also contactable in between times if you wanted to place an order, this can be made up ready for you to collect from school. The email address is:

new2you@Harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

Cold Weather – Message from Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue:

With the cold weather forecast to continue and following the tragic events in Solihull which has resulted in the death of three children and one child in intensive care, we have created some safety information for sharing with children, young people and their parents/carers.

Whatever our age; ice and frozen waterways seem fascinating. However the ice often thins and can easily result in cracking and people falling into the cold water.

The main safety messages, as well as what to do if you find yourself, or someone else, in trouble in the water can be found here: [Winter Water Safety \(office.com\)](http://www.office.com)

We would be very grateful if you are able to share these messages with your pupils, adapting to be appropriate to their age.

It is important that parents and carers also understand the dangers of frozen and cold water.

If possible, we would be very grateful if you would send the following information home to parents and carers.

Following the tragic events at a lake in Solihull this week, Dorset & Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service would encourage you to talk to your children about their safety around ice and water during this cold weather.

Please use this link [Winter Water Safety \(office.com\)](http://www.office.com) to look at the advice and discuss their safety with them, according to their age and independence.

Stay off the ice and if someone is in trouble call 999 and ask for the fire and rescue service.

Fundraising this term:

Thank you for all your support with our fundraising efforts for external charities. We have held several events and are delighted to share how much has been raised with you.

Children in Need - £237.65

Nativity collection (Cancer Research UK) - £182.25

Christmas Jumper Day (Save the Children) - £172.50



Based at Salisbury District Hospital and in partnership with



Mr Lawrence will be live via www.radioodstock.org.uk between Monday 19th December and Thursday 22nd December from 10am to 1pm. On Friday 23rd December he will be live between 4pm and 6pm plus live again on Christmas Day from 12 to 4pm.

There will be Christmas music from St Mark's Junior School, Greentrees Primary School, Harnham Infant School, Winterbourne Earls Primary School, Wyndham Park Infants School and the Cathedral Choir plus live guests and requests from the hospital's children's ward.



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& CHRISTMAS INDOOR ACTIVITIES...

- TABLE TENNIS
- XMAS CRAFTS
- FIFA TOURNAMENT

AND MUCH MORE...!

DECEMBER **21-22** 9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

@ SALISBURY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Ages 3 - 15 welcome
Bring drinks, snacks & a packed lunch
£40 per day or £70 for both days

FAR Sports Limited
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Contact Rory: 07446 841582 / info@farsports.co.uk



Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas!

AUTUMN TERM 2022

END OF TERM UPDATE



From the ever popular disco in November, to the come back of the Christmas Fair in December and not to forget the very welcomed hot drinks and goodies sales every week, what a term we have had! So as the Autumn term comes to an end the HSA wanted to say **A BIG THANK YOU** for your ongoing support and to let you know how much...

...WE HAVE RAISED THIS TERM...

DISCO
£500.02

CHRISTMAS FAIR
£972.21

COTE & CASTLE DRINKS SALES AND RAFFLE
£346.74

TOTAL RAISED: £1,818.97

This amazing amount will be going towards the two main projects for this academic year, the creation of a community garden behind the purple bus for Harnham Junior School and a Science Lab for Harnham Infant School.

DO YOU HAVE A FUNDRAISING IDEA THAT YOU WOULD LIKE US TO PUT TOGETHER? If so, we would love to hear from you! Please do get in touch with us either via our Facebook page, Harnham Schools Association, email us harnhamschoolassociation@gmail.com or you can always ask the schools offices to pass a message on to us. All ideas, any time and help you can give are always most welcome.

Jennie, HSA Chair



PIC COLLAGE

Santagrams:

The children in After School Club have been busy spreading Christmas cheer to people who are on their own this Christmas. We were invited by Home Instead to make some Christmas decorations for people who are lonely to let them know that they are being thought about. The elves came to collect them from us this week. Well done to all the children for playing a part to support people in our local community.