HARNHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL

8TH SEPTEMBER 2023

WELCOME BACK BULLETIN

Newspaper Number 1



A very warm welcome/welcome back to everyone for the 2023/24 School Year. Typically, the new School year starts with a heatwave which we all would have enjoyed far more if it had arrived 5 weeks ago! It certainly has been incredibly warm here in school, however, the children and staff have started the year with great energy and enthusiasm.

The Year 6 buddies have been helping the Year 3 children settle in and learn the ropes during Family Lunch and both year groups should be congratulated on their efforts. The Year 4 and 5 children have also demonstrated just how organised they are during Family Lunchtimes.

We hope you enjoy the huge selection of photographs taken in the Classrooms and out and about around School this week.

We would also like to extend a real hearty Harnham hello to new members of the staff – Miss Kirton and Mr Curtis both joining the Year 6 team.

Look out for the year group Topic Maps which we will be sending out to you all on Monday.

Please remember, we are always just a phone call or email away, if you are unable to speak to us in person at drop-off or pick-up, and, like you, we want the best for your child.

Wishing you all a very restful weekend after this first week of the new School year.

HSA CHOCOLATE BINGO AND NON-UNIFORM DAY FUNDRAISER

See the attached flyer for all the details about the exciting HSA Cholocate Bingo Evening and Chocolate Donation Non-Uniform Day.

FLYERS

- Downton Tennis Club
- HSA Chocolate Bingo & Non-Uniform Day
- Taste Salisbury
- Picture News and Picture
 News at Home
- Harnham Parish Churches Pet Festival
- Harnham Bereavement
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Dates for Meeting the Teachers

Year 3 & 4 - Tuesday 19th September Year 5 & 6 - Tuesday 26th September Teachers will hold a brief information meeting followed by an opportunity for parents to have a quick chat with their child's new class teacher(s). Please remember, if you wish to speak to a class teacher before this date, or wish to speak to them in private, you can always speak to a member of staff on the playground in the morning or catch the teachers at the end of the school day or, if you prefer, contact the Office to arrange for a call or to set up an agreeable time after school. We are always happy to have a chat with you.

Green Cards

The winners of Green Cards will be announced in Monday's Celebration Assembly and will have a non-uniform day on Friday 15th September. A reminder will be sent via the School Comms app.

Harnham Hampers and PSA Support

For those of you new to the School, you may wish to know that, should you need any support, Sarah Gorringe our Parent Support Advisor (PSA) is available for chats and offers any advice you may need. She can often be found on the playground at drop-off, or you may wish to contact her by email (<u>psa@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>)



Last Autumn we set up Harnham Hampers to support our community, as we were only too aware of the increase in living costs hitting everyone and we wanted to support our families as best we could. If you would like a bag of items made up for you, at any time, please just contact the Office or Sarah Gorringe our PSA (Parent Support Advisor) and we can arrange for this to be collected discretely. Our stocks are often in need of replenishing (particularly following the school holidays), therefore, if you are able to make a donation of any of the items listed below, please drop them into the Office.

Non-Perishable items: Pasta, Rice, Jars, Tinned goods, Biscuits, Tea, Coffee, Cereals, Toiletries (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, sanitary products) Please remember we are always here to help.

Gateway App

Please can we ask you all to download the Gateway App – once up and running it will be a very efficient way to communicate with you and also a central system where you can make payments for lunches, trips etc.

We are aware of a few teething problems so if you have any issues please email <u>finance@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u> and we will endeavor to resolve them (as you can imagine we are in regular contact with the Gateway support team).

The set-up process is simple and will take no more than a couple of minutes:

1. Search for "School Gateway" in the Apple App Store/Google Play or on your phone go to

<u>www.schoolgateway.com/apple</u> (Apple) or www.schoolgateway.com/android (Android)

2. Install the app and if you are asked then say yes to "Allow Push Notifications" - this is essential in order for you to receive notification of our communications.

3. When you launch School Gateway for the first time, please select 'New User' and enter the email address and mobile telephone number you have registered with the school.

4. The system will send a PIN code to your phone; (**after** you have followed Steps 1 to 3 above) please enter this PIN code and the app will be activated for you.

What has been happening in School this week?...

Year 3

We started our week by working in small groups to set some traps for a pesky troll who had found his way in to our school! Hopefully, some of our traps have worked don't forget to ask your child "How To Trap A Troll".

Alongside lots of 'getting to know you' activities, the children spent some time finding their way around the school library.

Rowan class launched themselves into learning about the Stone Age by making indoor camp fires (no flames involved) and hunting for Stone Age artifacts in a mini archaeological dig.

Year 4

In Cherry class this week, we have been making Indonesian inspired lanterns to decorate our classroom as we are reading 'The Firework-Maker's Daughter' by Philip Pullman. In Maths in Year 4 this week, we have been learning where to place numbers on a number line. The children enjoyed rolling the dice and placing their number on a number line, with the aim of being the first person to get four lines in a row to win!

Year 5

This week Ash have been introduced to their new topic - the Rainforest. We had a very exciting lesson where we tasted locusts, mealworms and crickets and guessed what other rainforest items we had hidden in boxes! We will be writing a non-chronological report and below is English work from Emilia, Lewis and Oliver where we have explored vocabulary and ideas in preparation to begin writing.

This week Aspen started off their rainforest topic with a bang by taking part in bushtucker trials! As well as sticking their hands into wiggling (jelly) worms, the most exciting part for many was having the opportunity to eat real edible insects which a number of students declared 'delicious'!

In Sycamore we have spent our time getting to know each other. We have been learning about our rights and responsibilities. Getting to know our class tree and going on a trip to the rainforest.

Year 6

Larch class have enjoyed a great week settling into their new year six classroom with their new teacher, Miss Kirton.

In Willow this week we enjoyed settling in to our new classroom and, in Science, finding out about how we see. We designed posters to explain what we had learnt.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch via the School Office: Telephone: 01722 327218 or Email: <u>office@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>



HARNHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL EVENTS DIARY 2023-2024

Date	Event
Thursday 7 th September – Thursday 12 th October	Year 5 Non-Swimmers Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 12 th September – Tuesday 17 th October	Year 6 Non-Swimmers Swimming Lessons
Tuesday 19 th September	Year 3 & 4 Information and Meet the Teacher meeting 4:45-5:15pm
Friday 22 nd September	Whole School Non-Uniform Day (HSA Chocolate Bingo chocoalte donations)
Tuesday 26 th September	Year 5 & 6 Information and Meet the Teacher meeting 4:45-5:15pm
Wednesday 27 th September – Friday 29 th September	Harvest Festivals – More Information to Follow
Friday 29 th September	HSA Chocolate Bingo 5:45-8:30pm
Tuesday 3 rd October & Thursday 5 th October	Year 3 Stonehenge Trips – More Information to Follow
Monday 9 th October	Year 5 Marwell Zoo Trip
Monday 16 th October	Year 6 Army Flying Museum Trip
Tuesday 17 th October	Last Day of Term 1 – 3.15pm
Wednesday 18 th October	TD Day – School Closed to Pupil
Thursday 29th October - Sunday 29th October	Half Term
Monday 30 th October	First Day of Term 2
Tuesday 31 st October – Tuesday 5 th December	Year 4 Non-Swimmers Swimming Lessons – More Information to Follow
Thursday 2 nd November – Thursday 7 th December	Year 3 – Class 1 - Swimming Lessons – More Information to Follow
Monday 6 th November	Individual School Photographs
Monday 13th November	Year 4 Egyptian Workshop
Friday 17 th November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 12 th December	Whole School Carol Service at St Thomas' 6:00pm
Thursday 14 th December – Thursday 8 th February (with break over the Christmas Holidays)	Year 3 – Class 2 - Swimming Lessons – More Information to Follow
Wednesday 20 th December	Last Day of Term 2 – 1.15pm
Thursday 21st December – Wednesday 3rd January	Christmas Holidays
Thursday 4 th January & Friday 5 th January	TD Days – School Closed to Pupil
Monday 8 th January	First Day of Term 3
Friday 9th February	Last Day of Term 3 – 3.15pm
Monday 12 th February to Friday 16 th February	Half Term
Monday 19 th February	First Day of Term 4
Thursday 22 nd February – Thursday 28 th March	Year 3 – Class 3 - Swimming Lessons – More Information to Follow
Monday 22 nd – Wednesday 24 th April	Year 5 Residential to Tile Barn
Friday 12 th – Sunday 14 th July	Year 6 Residential to PGL Liddington







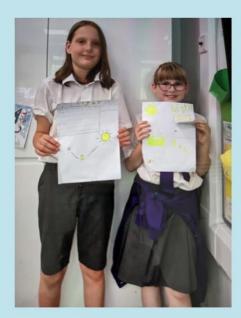












YEAR 6









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• FRIDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 2023 • HARNHAM JUNIOR SCHOOL

DOORS OPEN 5.45pm | EYES DOWN AT 6.15pm | BINGO ENDS 8.30pm

£3 per person – includes a Bingo Book (6 games) additional Bingo Books may be purchased on the night

PRE-BOOKING ONLY – LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE! BOOK EARLY VIA THE SCHOOLS PAYMENT APPS!

Please only book via one school payment app for your entire family

BAR & TUCK SHOP AVAILABLE

SERVING ALCOHOLIC & SOFT DRINKS AND SNACKS

YOU ARE WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN FOOD BUT WE HAVE A ZERO NUTS POLICY

WE NEED YOUR CHOCOLATE DONATIONS PLEASE!

CASH

ONLY

YOUR COINS!

Both schools will be holding a non school uniform day on Friday 22nd September in exchange for a chocolate item - this could be a single bar or a box of chocolates, whatever you can spare, **BUT IT MUST BE NUT FREE**. Dairy free items welcomed too!

*We will hopefully be able to offer cashless payments on the night, but there is no guarantee



JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING 4-18 yrs Starts 11th Sept 2023

TERM-TIME TENNIS COACHING

Mini Red - Indoors (Age 8 & under) - Mon. & Fri. 4-5 pm - £90 Orange Ball (Age 9 & under) - Monday 4-5 pm - £90 Green Ball (Age 10 & under) - Tuesday 6-7 pm - £90 U12/14 Club (Age 11-14) - Monday & Friday 5-6 pm - £90

Join us for a TASTER this Autumn term

To book or find out more email...

mahonytennis@gmail.com Call Lee Mahony - 07788791328

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

www.mahonytennis.com



Taste Salisbury 2023

30 Sep // 2pm Taste Marquee



15-year-old vegan chef and star of CBBC Omari McQueen For more information visit experiencesalisbury.co.uk



The Trafalgar School at Downton

OPEN EVENING 2023 Thursday 21st September 5.30pm - 8.00pm

www.trafalgarschool

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Bereavement Journey

A safe space for anyone bereaved at anytime to share support, experiences, & view media clips about the bereavement journey. Don't be alone. Join the Harnham Journey. From Weds.

The / Bereavement

Sept 13th 1.45- 4pm

For 7 weeks Meeting room, Lower St. SP2 8EY Contact: Katy Carter 01722 340411 <u>mrskestrel@aol.com</u> £10 donation for the whole course.

