#### Communication

Newsletter - Texts - School Website Email - Telephone - Face to face conversation

There is always someone you can talk to, whatever aspect of your child's life you wish to have a chat about. Messages can be passed on to class teachers, if you are unable to speak to them yourself on the playground at the end of the day or need to let them know something in the morning. Class teachers are always able to contact you or arrange a meeting after School, if you need to have a chat about your child.

If you are concerned about Special Educational Needs (SEN), Mrs Winters our SENDCo is the person to contact - see contacts on the back page.

For other support, we have a Parent Support Advisor (PSA) Sarah Gorringe who is able to offer all sorts of advice and support from financial support to supporting you with ideas to help your child at home.

# Keeping you informed

Term 1 - Meet the teachers. Term 2 - Parents' Evening. Term 4 - Annual Report with details of attitude to learning and suggested areas for supporting your child's learning and also includes effort and attainment gradings.

- Parents' Evening.

Term 6 - End of Year Report with effort and attainment gradings.

- Parents' Evening.

There are more opportunities, including Open Afternoons and other events for you to attend, or for your child to share their learning with you, throughout the year.

#### **Transition Activities**

We have already started the behind the scenes transition process. Mrs Winters (SENDCo) has visited each of the Year 2 classes and seen the children in their own setting and is in communication with Mrs Pike, particularly with regards to children with additional needs.

Later in the year, we work with the Infant School to organise transition mornings/afternoons to help familiarise the children with the Junior School and the Year 3 teachers. This is then followed by the traditional Bump Up Day, early in July, when the children spend a day at the Junior School with their new teacher. As part of this transition, all Year 2 children are assigned a Year 5 'buddy' to show them around the School and to then support them when they start in September.

# Contacts

Harnham Junior School Office office@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk

Mrs Winters - SENDCo (Special Educational Needs Coordinator) <u>sendep@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>

Sarah Gorringe - PSA (Parent Support Advisor) <u>PSA@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>

Mr Coles - Headteacher <u>head@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>

Miss Fletcher - Acting Headteacher actinghead@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk

School Telephone: 01722 327318

Further information https://harnhamj.co.uk/transition-year-2-3



# Information for Year 2 Parents

Finding the right school for your child is an important task, and can also feel a little daunting and complicated. We hope we can help make the whole process a little easier and reassuring.

Many of you will have seen the School from the outside but not necessarily seen our wonderful children and inspiring teachers in action. If you were unable to attend one of the planned meetings/tours, please do not hesitate to give us a call to arrange a tour of the School we would be more than happy to show you around – during the day or evening if that helps with work commitments.

The deadline for applying online for a Year 3 place is January 15th 2023. Please contact us if you have any questions or need any advice when making your online application.



Our School Values are underpinned by the Christian Principles practically demonstrated through the parable of the Good Samaritan – that we should actively treat everyone and everything with love and kindness. Our school values are remembered by the mnemonic FAITH:

Forgiveness, Active, Inspiration, Tenacity and Harmony. In turn, these values underpin all aspects of our teaching and the expectations we have of our children.

#### **Expectations**

At Harnham Junior School, we endeavour to develop independent learners as quickly as possible whilst still providing support for any children requiring extra help or scaffolding to their learning. There are many ways that you can help prepare your child for their Key Stage 2 journey, such as hearing your child read on a daily basis in order to develop reading fluency. It should also be noted that the National Curriculum Expectations are that all children should be fluent in their 2, 5 and 10 times tables at the end of Year 2.

# The Curriculum

Details of the Whole School Curriculum can be found under the Learning section of the School website. You will also find subject specific information on this page. We have a knowledge-based curriculum, taught through topics. There is also a programme of themed weeks/days to enrich the Curriculum further.

#### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

Children at Harnham Junior School have opportunities to participate in a range of activities throughout the year, some of which are organised and led by the children themselves.

| Multi-Sports   | Choir    | Art Club |
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| Gardening Club | Lego     | Coding   |
| Glee Club      | Football | Tri Golf |

# Wraparound Care

We aim to make life as easy as possible for parents and carers with our Breakfast Club beginning at 7.30am and After School Club until 6pm every day.

In the mornings, a variety of breakfasts are offered daily, including cereals, yoghurts, toast and a drink of juice or water. At our After School Club, a wide range of snacks, such as: brioche, fruit, wraps are offered as well as warmer snacks including: pancakes, pasta dishes, sausages, mini pizzas, korma and rice, to name but a few. To contact the After School Club, email: <u>ASC@harnham-jun.wilts.sch.uk</u>

### **Rewards and Celebrations**

Green Cards, House Points, Stickers, including Headteacher Award Stickers and Certificates are some of the methods used for rewarding the wonderful achievements and efforts that the children demonstrate in School – in both academic and non-academic aspects of School life.

#### **School Uniform**

Sensible black shoes (not trainers) Grey/black socks/tights Grey trousers/shorts/skirt/pinafore White shirt/blouse Purple tie Purple School jumper/cardigan Long hair tied back No jewellery other than a watch (not a smartwatch) or stud earrings (which should be removed for PE)

Purple items can be purchased from Kids Klobber in Endless Street. We also always have a large number of pre-loved uniform items available in School for a small donation.

# PE Kit

Trainers Black shorts Purple School T-Shirt Purple School hoodie (for cooler days) Plain black tracksuit bottoms/sports leggings (for cooler days)

PE kit is worn to School on PE days, or days when children are attending after school sports clubs. This allows more time for the PE curriculum.