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Friday 10th May 2024

It has been lovely to return to school after the Bank Holiday with the sunshine for company too – here's hoping it is here to stay for the rest of the summer term! In EYFS this week, the children have been enjoying a Scavenger Hunt in Forest School and finding 10 special things as well as exploring texture and pattern through looking at the work of artist, Van Gogh. Year 1 have been continuing to write their own non-fiction books about a chosen Rainforest animal and exploring animals and their young as part of their Science work too. Whilst Year 2 have been practising their throwing skills in athletics, exploring what happens to materials when a force is applied as well as learning to tell them time. What a busy week of learning across the school!

We hope you have a lovely weekend and stay safe in the sun. 😊

Menu for week beginning 13th May:

Monday	Vegetarian Sausage Roll or Macaroni Cheese Dessert: Shortbread Biscuit
Tuesday	Chicken Katsu Curry or Cheese and Tomato Quesadilla Dessert: Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Ham Carbonara with Penne Pasta or Pizza Dessert: Apple Sponge Cake
Thursday	Roast Chicken or Quorn and Leek Crown with Roast Potatoes and Veg Dessert: Marble Cake
Friday	Plant-based Burger or Fish Fingers and Chips with Vegetables Dessert: Chocolate Brownie

Celebration Assembly:

Congratulations to Scarlett – Hedgehog, Samuel – Robin, Alexander – Ladybird, Henry – Woodpecker, Frankie – Squirrel, Cecilia – Bee, Alex – Dragonfly, Aviana – Owl and Danielle – Badger. The Sports Award was won by Storm – Bees. We are so proud of you all!

We are looking forward to celebrating with more children next week. 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 following classes who have reached their next Dojo point thousand milestone and will be enjoying the following class rewards:

Bees – On Monday 13th May, the Bees are invited to bring their “favourite thing” to school to share. Please note, no electronic games please.

Woodpeckers – On Friday 17th May, the Woodpeckers have voted to have a football themed afternoon to enjoy together. (Alternatives will be provided for any children who do not enjoy football)

Well done to all of the children who have worked so hard earning points for their class total.

Forest School Clothing:

Please note that even in drier and warmer weather the children still need to wear long sleeves and full length trousers or leggings for Forest School. This is on our school Risk Assessment and is for your child's protection against things like tics. Thank you for your support and cooperation with this.

Hats and Suncream:

As you know, we like to go outside in all weathers at Harnham Infant School and now that the sun has made an appearance (and hopefully there will be many more appearances over the coming months) please may we ask you to make sure that your child has a sun hat in school so that they can safely learn and play in the sun? Please also apply sun cream at home before coming to school, there are some long lasting brands available in Boots for 8 hours+ which should see them through the school day. Thank you.

Water bottles:

Please may you ensure your child brings their water bottle to school each day topped up and ready for the day? In addition, please may we politely request that your child does **not** bring in a prime bottle, even if this has been refilled with water. Thank you for your support with this.

PE Kits:

When your child's PE kit next comes home, please may you check it carefully to make sure it all still fits and that children have everything they need? With the warmer weather, we have noticed some children only seem to have jogging bottoms whereas shorts would be more comfortable in this weather. Some PE shoes or trainers are also too small now to be comfortable. This will be especially important with our Sports Week coming up after half term! Thank you.

SEND letters:

If your child is on the SEND register or if they are having any additional support, you will have received a letter earlier this week giving details of the interventions currently in place for them in the classroom. These letters are not intended to cause any shock or alarm and hopefully do not contain any surprises but if you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or to the SENDCo, Mrs Pike lpike@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk

Year 1 Wagamama Trip:

A letter has been sent to Year 1 parents this week regarding the trip to Wagamamas in June 2024. Please remember to sign up / give consent for your child to take part on the School Gateway App. Thank you.

Buckets and Spades:

We would be very grateful for any donations of old buckets and spades to use in Forest School. We have had a pile of wood chip delivered to use around the base of the trees in Forest School to promote their growth. Thank you in advance.

Dates for your diaries:

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

Whole School	
15.5.24, 10am	Community Forest School Event
14.5.24	Whole class photographs
4.6.24	Sports Day
Year 1	
20.5.24	Year 1 Allotment Visit
24.5.24, 2.30pm	Year 1 Stay and... Share a Rainforest Book
Year 2	
20.5.24 and 21.5.24	Year 2 Mini Medics Training
22.5.24, 2.00pm	Open Classroom to share learning from the term

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

Online Safety:

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 one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

10 Ways You Can SHARE KINDNESS ONLINE

Last year, around one in five young people aged 10–15 in England and Wales admitted experiencing online bullying; most commonly being insulted or sworn at, or having hurtful messages sent about them. To someone who's being bullied, the world can seem like a bleak, negative place – but just one kind word can be a ray of hope: a turning point that brightens their day and refreshes their perspective. That's why 'One Kind Word' is the theme of Anti-Bullying Week 2021. We're supporting this year's event by bringing you ten top tips for beating online bullying by replacing it with kindness.

- 1 PRAISE WHERE IT'S DUE**
Sometimes a friend or relative might post online about something they're proud to have achieved; maybe an exam they've passed, a new skill they've learned or a task they've completed. Celebrate their hard work and determination by being kind enough to praise them for it publicly.
- 2 REACH OUT**
It's not always easy to tell what kind of mood someone is in just from what they post online. Simply dropping somebody a message to say 'hi', to ask if they're OK or to tell them that you're thinking of them could totally make their day.
- 3 RECOMMEND FUN THINGS**
If there's something you enjoy doing online – perhaps you play a particular game, or you've found a really cool site – share it with someone you think will enjoy it. Even recommending a film or TV show you think they'll like can bring a little happiness to someone who really needs it.
- 4 OFFER TO HELP**
Sometimes you might see a friend or family member posting a question online or asking for help with something they can't do themselves. Don't just ignore it – if you can help, get in touch. Something that's difficult for them might be no trouble for you!
- 5 POST POSITIVELY**
Lots of people seem to go online purely to complain about things or be negative. Just because you're communicating online (and not face-to-face) doesn't mean you can't be positive, though! Post about things that make you happy and that you're thankful for. It could brighten someone else's day.
- 6 SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION**
If somebody that you know has done something positive or shown kindness themselves, go online and thank them with a message or a post. Expressing your gratitude costs nothing and showing someone that you appreciate them will really make them feel good.
- 7 BE UNDERSTANDING**
Showing empathy towards others is an act of online kindness which often gets overlooked. If you notice that someone you know is upset, drop them a message. Sometimes people just need someone else to listen to them and understand their situation.
- 8 SHARE INSPIRATIONAL POSTS**
When you see something online that inspires you or makes you feel happy, share it with people you know. A spot-on quotation, a beautiful photo or an uplifting video can lift someone's spirits and help them to feel better about life.
- 9 THINK BEFORE COMMENTING**
Thinking before we act can be just as important as acting in the first place. Taking a second to consider what you're saying in advance could stop you from posting something negative, hurtful or offensive – even if you don't mean to. It's better to post positively or not post at all.
- 10 LIKE, LOVE AND ENGAGE**
If somebody posts something that you like on social media, don't just scroll past – take the time to like it, love it or leave an appreciative comment! Reacting positively to other people's posts might seem like a small gesture but could mean a lot to them.

Meet Our Expert
Carly Page is an experienced technology journalist with more than 10 years of experience in the industry. Previously the editor of tech tabloid The Inquirer, Carly is now a freelance technology journalist, editor and consultant.

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