



## HARNHAM INFANT SCHOOL

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Newsletter 1

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

Welcome back to school and to the start of a new academic year. It is wonderful to see the children back in school following our two teacher training days earlier this week. Everyone is settling really well into their new classes, building relationships with their new teachers and enjoying their new learning so far too!

A huge thank you to all of the parents and carers for their support in getting the children to school at 8.35am to be lined up by 8.40am. The new system seems to be operating smoothly and children are ready to start their lessons promptly at 8.45am.

In assembly today, Mrs Pike asked the children what the best thing about being back at school is and some of them answered as follows:

“Meeting my new teacher” – Leo

“Being in Year 2 and being the oldest in the school” – Haiden

“Seeing all my friends” – Ferne

“Pressing my name on the screen at lunchtime to find out what I am having for lunch” – Irina

“Exploring my new classroom” – Sia

“Being back in Forest School” – Storm

We are looking forward to seeing the new EYFS children on Monday for their very first day at ‘big’ school. In the meantime, have a lovely, if a little wet, weekend!

### Menu for week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> September:

	Choice of Main Meal	Served with...	Choice of Dessert
<b>Monday</b>	Margherita or Sweetcorn Pizza Sweet and Sour Noodles Jacket Potato and choice of fillings Soft Roll with choice of fillings	Green Beans Sweetcorn Salad bar Homemade Bread	Ice Cream and Fruit Homebake Fruit Yoghurt
<b>Tuesday</b>	Chilli Con Carne with Nachos Tomato and Herb Pasta Jacket Potato and choice of fillings Hot Sandwich: Ham or Pepperoni Melt	Steamed Rice Carrots and broccoli Salad bar Homemade bread	Chocolate Pear Cake Homebake Fruit Yoghurt
<b>Wednesday</b>	Roast Chicken Cheddar and Broccoli Quiche Jacket Potato and choice of fillings Soft Roll with choice of fillings	Mashed potato Peas, carrots and gravy Salad bar Homemade bread	Ginger Cookie Homebake Fruit Yoghurt
<b>Thursday</b>	Traditional All Day Breakfast All Day Vegetarian Breakfast Jacket Potato and choice of fillings Soft Roll with choice of fillings	Hash brown Baked beans, sweetcorn Salad bar Homemade bread	Fruit Jelly Homebake Fruit Yoghurt
<b>Friday</b>	Breaded Fish Fingers Moroccan Vegetable Tagine & Rice Jacket Potato and choice of fillings Soft Roll with choice of fillings	Chips Peas or Baked Beans Salad bar Homemade bread	Iced Sponge and Custard Homebake Fruit Yoghurt

## Welcome

We would like you to join us in extending a very warm welcome to Miss Kerry Safe and Mrs Maura Adamczewski to our site team. These ladies are going to be helping us to keep our school clean and tidy and we are very glad they have chosen to join the Harnham family. Welcome to you both! 😊

## Relationships and Behaviour

One of the priorities on our School Improvement Action Plan this academic year is Relationships and Behaviour. Drawing on the work by inspirational behaviour management author Paul Dix and from his book 'When the Adults Change, Everything Changes' we have decided to adopt his suggested behaviour strategy to create the 3 simple expectations for our school community;

### Be ready

### Be respectful

### Be safe

These 3 expectations are part of a whole-school approach to promoting positive relationships and learning behaviours. This week, the children have used these 3 simple statements to create their class charters and consider how they create a happy school where they can Enjoy, Explore and Learn. Not only are these 3 expectations key for the children in our school, they are the expectation for every member of staff, every parent and anyone else who comes into contact with us through the wider community too.

We are even more thrilled to learn that our Junior School friends are adopting the same expectations which really does mean familiarity, fidelity and consistency across the whole site.

One of the first things we are doing as a result of these expectations is updating and creating some changes to our Relationships and Behaviour Policy. We will send a copy of this out to you in due course.

## Safeguarding Leaflet

Every year, Safeguarding policies and arrangements are updated in line with the latest legislation and advice. The Safeguarding Information Leaflet for Parents has been updated and a copy is attached for you in the email containing this newsletter. You can also find out more on the school website.

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

## Celebration of Art Work



When the Year 1 children were in Reception, they completed some art work entitled 'Me & My Family' which were sent off for a competition. The judges were very impressed and everyone who took part received a sticker. Some of them have even been chosen to be published in a book celebrating children's artwork. The book is being released on 8<sup>th</sup> November and school will receive a complimentary copy. Well done to all of the children who took part – it is wonderful to celebrate your amazing art skills!

## Request from Badgers

Mrs Morris has asked if the Badger children can bring in an old sock from home to use as their whiteboard cleaner. In the interests of the year group's current Eco-theme, this would be an excellent form of recycling some of those random socks that we all have at home where you cannot find the matching one! Thank you in advance for your help.

## Celebration Assembly

Celebration Assemblies are due to begin on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 2.30pm. Invitations to celebration assemblies will be sent to parents on a Friday for the following week so do keep an eye on your inboxes for your child's very special moment!

### Calendar dates for parents

We are busy collating a calendar of events for the whole year for you. This will hopefully be sent out with next week's newsletter so that you have as much notice as possible for key events going on through the year including your children's shows, parents evenings, stay and... events etc. We are looking forward to sharing the journey of this academic year with you.

### School costs for the year

Alongside the calendar of events for the year, we are also putting together an approximate costings for the year so that you will know what voluntary contributions we may be asking for throughout the year, for example, cost of trips, visits etc. Again, this will be sent out with the newsletter next week. As ever, we always try to keep costs to an absolute minimum but it is hoped this will be a big help to parents to support and not put too much pressure on finances.

### Pupil Premium

Have your financial circumstances changed? Do you think you might be eligible for further financial support? If your family claims certain benefits, your child may be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant. This can often be confusing as it is also known as 'Free School Meals' but of course, every child at Harnham Infant School is entitled to Free School Meals. However, if you qualify for the Pupil Premium Grant, school will also be able to support you with other costs such as paying for school uniform, paying for school trips and for your child to attend an extra-curricular club too. A leaflet is included in the email sent out with this newsletter or to find out more and apply, please go to:

<https://parentportal.wiltshire.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/free-school-meals>

If you have any questions about Pupil Premium, you can also contact Mrs Pike who would be very happy to help. [lpike@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:lpike@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk)

### Language Games and Activities

If you would like to support your child to develop their language and communication skills, you can find lots of fun activities to try at this website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people/activities> It may help with any younger siblings at home too, as Tiny Happy People is a campaign for children from birth to 5 years and beyond. Enjoy!

### 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](mailto:psa@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk) or by telephone 07595217569



**When I grow up  
I want to be....**

**School provides the  
tools to reach **your** goal**

#EverySchoolDayCounts

Wiltshire Council

A promotional graphic for Wiltshire Council. It features a young boy with curly hair, wearing a white lab coat and a stethoscope, smiling and holding a stethoscope. The background is a mix of red and black. The text is in white and red. At the bottom, there is a red banner with the hashtag #EverySchoolDayCounts and the Wiltshire Council logo.

Community Forest School:



Harnham Infant School warmly invite you to join us at our

# Community Forest School

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024, 10am - 12pm

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024, 10am - 12pm

Do you have a child or children under 5, then why not come along to our FREE forest session where we will be offering a range of fun forest based activities including pond dipping, willow weaving, find the animal activities and a fire pit! Plus a snack and drink will be provided.

**Everyone must come appropriately dressed – this includes wearing long sleeves and long trousers, suitable footwear, sun hats and sun cream if it is sunny, waterproof trousers and coats if its wet.**

Parents, Grandparents, Childminders and all most welcome – you do not have to be a current Harnham Infant school family to attend – we can't wait to meet you all!



Please book a space by calling us on 01722 327 338



**In the Community:** Please note that our school is neither involved with or endorsing the use of the services being advertised here. They are for families to access at their own discretion. Thank you.

**Message from Family Hubs, Wiltshire**

We held our [Family Hubs in Wiltshire webinar recently](#) sharing information and answering questions on how these new hubs work for families, children and young people. If you were unable to join us, you can watch it back on our [YouTube channel](#).

**Message from Alzheimers Wiltshire**

We wanted to let you know about our first ever annual Memory Walk in Salisbury on September 14<sup>th</sup> hosted within the beautiful grounds of Wilton House. As you can imagine we are delighted to be bringing our Memory Walk to Salisbury raising much needed funds for the charity who support people living with dementia in your community we would love you to be part of this event, I've attached a poster and details below. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

[A Walk to Remember 2024 \(alzheimerstswiltshire.org.uk\)](http://alzheimerstswiltshire.org.uk)

*A Walk to Remember*  
Wilton

Saturday 14th September 2024  
Supporting people with dementia with every step

Join Alzheimer's Support's beautiful South Wiltshire memory walk  
*"A great day out for the whole family"*

Five-mile and one-mile routes within the grounds of Wilton House  
Sign up at [www.alzheimerstswiltshire.org.uk](http://www.alzheimerstswiltshire.org.uk)

or call 01985 624005 for more info  
Registered charity no 1048314

Fundraising for **as** alzheimer's support

# For the attention of all parents

Will your child be seven years old before September 2025?

You must apply for a junior school place

Apply online at [wiltshire.gov.uk](http://wiltshire.gov.uk) or complete an application form, available at all Wiltshire Council offices.

The deadline for applications is

**12 midnight, 15 January 2025**

All forms must be returned to the school admissions team at County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire.

Contact customer services on **01225 713010**

For more information or to request our guide to finding a primary school place in Wiltshire.

**Wiltshire Council**

# For the attention of all parents

Will your child be four years old before September 2025?

You must apply for a primary school place

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The deadline for applications is

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# Grand **TABLE TOP** Sale

**Parish Hall  
Sunday  
22 September**

**2.30 - 5.00 pm**

**Bric-a-brac, books and games,  
bargain greetings cards,  
Refreshments  
and much, much more**

**Sellers: £5 for a table**

**Buyers: £1 donation for entry**

**Book your table early: Charles on 07962 213494**

**or charleswoodd46@gmail.com**

**Harnham Parish Hall and field Lower Street**

**Salisbury SP2 8EY**

Harnham Parish Churches – Reg Charity No: 1193766





Registered Charity No.  
1183437

# TICKET SALES NOW OPEN!



## Christmas Market & Santa's Grotto

The Stones Hotel are delighted to have partnered with **Charlie's Star** to bring you a fabulous indoor Christmas Market & Santa's Grotto this year on

**SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2024**

The event will run from 11am to 4pm with **FREE** entry to the market stalls offering a wonderful array of festive gifts, crafts and edible treats.

*Timed tickets to visit Santa in his grotto are only available to buy through the charity website*

For any queries , please contact the charity Trustees on 07770 697106

<https://charliesstar.org>

**CREATING HOPE & SMILES FOR BEREAVED FAMILIES**

*Tickets are limited, so don't miss out if you're interested in treating the kids to a fun, LOCAL event and supporting a small but very important charity!*

*Thank You*



# Online Course

## Helping My Child to Learn Phonics

5x 2hr sessions

Starting

**Tuesday 5 November - 10am - 12noon**

- Discover how phonics is taught in schools today
- Help your children to develop phonetic awareness
- Explore games and activities to support learning phonics at home



**Booking Closes Midday Tuesday 29 October 2024**

For more information or to book a place, contact the FaCL team

Email: [familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk)

Call: 01225 770478

Or, scan the QR code



Website: <https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/>

Courses are free if you are 19+ and have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+ years and meet eligibility criteria. Please see our website or contact us for more information.



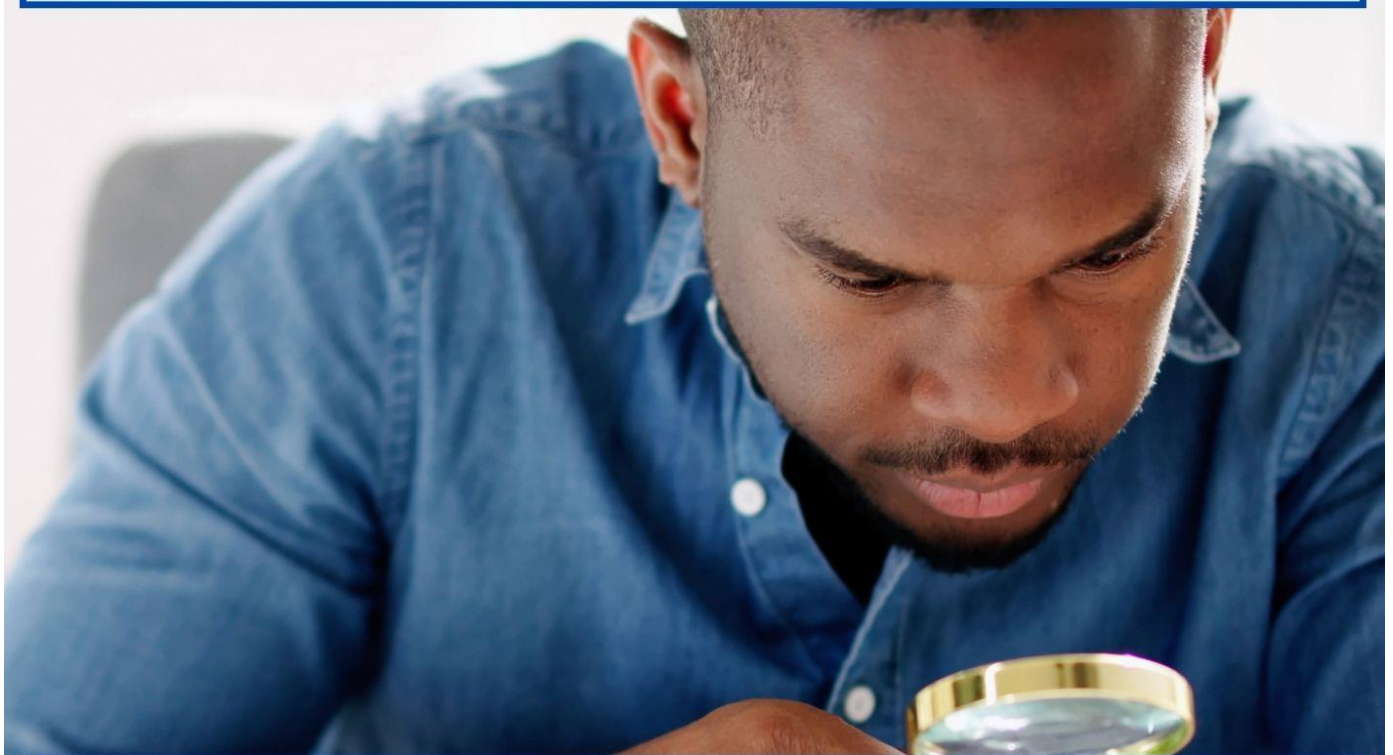


# Online Course - Exploring My skills

Monday 21 October - 10am - 12noon

- Explore your skills and interests
- Know your strengths and personal qualities
- Use your skills and interests to choose goals
- Know yourself better and plan a better future

Booking Closes  
Midday  
Monday 14 October  
2024



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# Online Course Phonics Games

**Tuesday 8 October - 10am - 12noon**

Explore ideas for games and activities to support children to practise and develop their phonics skills and become expert readers and writers.

**Booking Closes Midday Tuesday 1 October 2024**



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## Online Courses

You can join 1, 2 or all 3!  
Please sign up 7 days before start dates

For bookings and enquiries scan the QR code  
or

call the FaCL team on  
01225 770478 or email

[Familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:Familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk)



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**Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry**

**Friday 20 September - 10am - 12 noon**

**Helping My Child Build Concentration and Resilience**

**Friday 27 September - 10am - 12 noon**

**Helping My Child Prepare Positively for Change**

**Friday 11 October - 10am - 12 noon**

Courses are free if you are 19+ and have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+ years (some immigration statuses exempt) and meet eligibility criteria.





**Free Online Course**

Wiltshire Council

# Supporting Myself to Support My Child

**3 x 2hr sessions - Monday 16, 23 & 30 September**

**10:00-12:00**

- Explore the importance of your own wellbeing.
- Develop strategies to support the individual needs of your child.
- Learn how to work with others more effectively.

**Apply by midday Monday 9 September 2024**

**For bookings and enquiries,  
call the FaCL team on 01225 770478 or contact  
[familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk)  
alternatively scan the QR code**



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Wiltshire Family and Community Learning

## WORKING IN EARLY YEARS



### 8 Online Sessions

Mondays and Fridays 10am - 12 noon

11 November	25 November
15 November	29 November
18 November	2 December
22 November	6 December

Booking closes Monday 4 November

**Feel more confident applying for jobs  
in an early years setting**

### You will learn about

- ✓ Roles and responsibilities supporting children up to 6 years old
- ✓ Behaviour management, SEN and Five to Thrive
- ✓ Ways to promote wellbeing, safety and learning
- ✓ How to use statutory and non-statutory documents for guidance
- ✓ GDPR, record keeping and communication

Our courses are free if you are 19+ and have been a resident in UK/EU for 3+years and meet eligibility criteria. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

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