

HARBY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL - LINK LETTER

Expanding horizons, exploring potential, embracing faith



*"Start children off on the way they should go,
and even when they are old they will not turn from it."*
Proverbs 22:6

*This Link Letter contains news,
forthcoming events and information,
helping you to keep in touch with school.*



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Peace, Endurance, Friendship, Compassion, Thoughtfulness, Koinonia

Welcome back to school!
We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break!

Assembly Focus

This week we have been thinking about the character strength of KINDNESS. To show kindness through our actions can have a big impact on others. This can be through a kind word, a listening ear, a friendly smile. Acts of kindness can show generosity, concern or compassion for others. Kindness can show many of our other character strengths - such as love, thoughtfulness and friendship. Taking the time to consider how we can be kind, without expecting anything in return, is important and can also make us feel good - kindness is its own reward.

Well done to **AIR** who was the winning team this week!

Cumulative Total – Summer Term 2024

Earth	Air	Fire	Water
7	12	7	4



Year 6 Hoodies

Thank you to the Friends of the School for buying the Year 6 children a special leavers hoodie! They look very colourful and smart and the children were delighted!

More Year 6 Leavers Hoodie Photographs!



Harry Potter Menu – Thursday 2nd May

The dinner will be 'Potters Shepherd's Pie' served with crusty bread or a vegetarian option of 'Weasley's Cheesy Bean Bake' served with mashed potato. Both main courses will be served with broccoli and carrots. The dessert is treacle tart and custard.

Jacket potatoes with cheese, beans or tuna will still be an available option on this day. Orders can be placed on the day, please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions and we will be happy to help.

Harry Potter hats and headbands may be worn for dinner if children would like to!



Class 2 visit to PGL at Caythorpe

Class 2 enjoyed the opportunity to take part in some adventurous activities – specifically fencing and archery! They tried this with enthusiasm and did a great job – well done! ***Thank you to Inspire+ for the day and the Friends of the School for funding the coach transport.***



Using Purple Mash in Class 1 to explore sounds in music



Swimming

Swimming has started each Friday for pupils in Year 3 and 4 with an initial session of assessment activities. The cost for swimming is expensive to small schools as we have to cover the cost of the coach as well as the cost of the pool and tuition. ***We are very grateful that this has been heavily funded by the Friends of the School who have covered just over 50% of the cost, reducing the price to £4 per session, per pupil.*** Voluntary contribution payments for this can be made on ParentMail – please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions in relation to payment and we will be happy to help. Thank you for your continued support.



Parking

Please remember to consider where you are parking at collection and drop off times. Many children walk to school, with parents or alone if they are older, and learning to navigate and cross the road safely is an important skill.



Please consider where you park, use alternative Parking areas and walk to school where you can and please don't park opposite or even on the yellow zig zags. The yellow zig zags are directly opposite the gate and school exit and this is not a safe place to park. We would be grateful if you would please pass this information on to other relatives or friends that you have notified us are collecting your children so they are aware too. I am sure you will agree that the last thing anyone wants to happen is an accident. Thank you for your continued support – it really is very much appreciated.

Car Seat Safety

We have noticed that a lot of children have grown taller over the Easter holiday! It may now be a good time to consider your child's car seat and make sure it is the right size for them. At the end of March, 'Think!' launched a new campaign called 'CLICK is the sound' which can be found by clicking here:

<https://www.think.gov.uk/campaign/seatbelts-2024/> Whilst this is aimed at older children and young people the message is important. The 'Think!' website has lots of useful information and there is a helpful leaflet about seat belts and car seats which can be found by clicking [here](#). The website is: <https://www.think.gov.uk/>

Road Safety and Helmets

The clocks have changed, the nights are beginning to get lighter and spring is here! This means that there will be more children cycling and scooting to and from school and around the village at other times. Please remember to wear a helmet to protect your head and to take care with driveways and corners. It is very easy to feel safe in our own villages, as we are comfortable with our surroundings, but accidents can still happen and we want to avoid that by being careful. Take care and enjoy being active safely!

Talented Children

Well done to Emma who has passed her latest kick boxing grading and is now a purple belt!



Next week in school:

Monday 15 th April:	Year 5 and 6 Warning Zone Trip
Tuesday 16 th April:	Violin and Cello with Mrs. Cocker Beginner Recorder Club at lunchtime
Wednesday 17 th April:	TT Rockstars / Lexia Club after school Experienced Recorder Club after school
Thursday 18 th April:	Athletics Club after school
Friday 19 th April:	Year 3 and 4 swimming

Dates for the diary for the next half term. For further dates and events please see the calendar on the school website.

New / updated dates in red

15th April – Class 3 – Warning Zone Trip
24th April – Class 1 visit to Brooksby – lambing trip
2nd May – Harry Potter themed school dinner menu
6th May – Bank Holiday Monday – school closed
13th May – KS2 SATs week
17th May – Year 6 Gala Dinner – further details to follow
24th May – School closes for the half term holiday

We hope you all have a good weekend!

