

Harwich Community Primary

School and Nursery



Newsletter - Friday 18th Sept '26 **ANOTHER BUSY WEEK**

It has been a great pleasure to wander around our classes and see all of our children fully engaging with their new topics and new learning. All of them have been spotted being the very best selves and I am so proud of them all.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Photographs - **Tuesday 29th September**

Hello Yellow Day - **Friday 10th October**- non uniform and wear yellow

Autumn Half Term- **Monday 26th October**- **Friday 30th October**

Back to School- **Monday 3rd November**

See separate sheet for Autumn Term dates

IF YOUR CHILD IS ILL

If your child is too ill to attend school, please can you call the school

office and leave a message with child's name, class teacher and the reason for their absence. Please do not leave a message on DOJOS as these can often be missed.

LUNCH TIME MENU

We will be on **week 2** of our lunch menus for next week.

OUR SCHOOL RULES AND VISION

Our school rules are simple and are a common thread in all that we do here at Harwich Community Primary School. They are: -

Be Kind

Be Safe

Be Responsible

We also pride ourselves on our updated vision being:



*At Harwich
Community Primary
School, every child belongs
and every day counts*



NAME IT OR LOSE IT!

Please can we urge you all to label everything. It is much easier to find items when they have been lost, run away or been eaten by the lost property monster.

Why not try our STICKINS labels using this link below or use a sharpie pen on the clothing labels.

[Clothes Name Labels. Stick On School Name Labels, Name Tags: Stikins®](#)

PE TIMETABLE

Reception- Monday mornings

Year 1 - Monday pm and Tuesday am

Year 2 - Monday pm and Thursday am

Year 3 - Wednesday pm and Friday am

Year 4 - Tuesday am and Thursday om (swimming)

Year 5 - Tuesday pm and Friday am

Year 6 - Tuesday pm and Thursday pm

INFORMATION FOR DROP OFF AND PICK UP TIMES

Drop off

- **Gates will open at 8:45am**
- All children will need to be dropped off at the gates
- Children will make their own way to class- no lining up!
- Please do not loiter outside the gate once you have dropped your child/ children off.

Pick Up

- **Only one adult/ person to come and collect your children.**
- If older siblings are collecting, they need to be 14 or over!
- Please also let grandparents and other family members know too.

CLASS DOJO COMMUNICATION

Please can I remind you all to sign up for Class DOJOs, if you are not already. It is where we communicate important information and school events as well as our weekly newsletters, lunch menus etc. You can also send a message to the class teacher or any other member of staff, including myself.

We would like to kindly remind parents and carers that our usual communication hours are 8:00am - 5:00pm, Monday to Friday.

Our staff work incredibly hard throughout the school day and often go above and beyond to support our children and families. Once the school day has finished, it is important that they have the opportunity to **switch off, relax and enjoy time with their own families**, just as we all need to do.

We therefore ask that emails, messages and communications with school staff are kept within these hours wherever possible.

Thank you for helping us to create a culture where we **respect everyone's time, wellbeing and family life**. A happy, rested and supported staff team is better able to give their very best to our children. ♥

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

ATTENDANCE

Reception Class- 96.4%

Year 1 - 96.4%

Year 2 - 86.6%

Year 3 - 95.1%

Year 4 -88.7%

Year 5 - 99.1%

Year 6 - 97.2%

Whole school - 94.2%

STARS OF THE WEEK

Reception- Arthur K

Year 1- Arthur G

Year 2 -Ramazan

Year 3 - Logan

Year 4- Isla

Year 5 - Ryleigh

Year 6 - Fearne

Swimming Star - Archie



PRESENTATION AWARDS

Year 1 - Francesca

Year 2 - Faith

Year 3 - Ava

Year 4 - Phoebe

Year 5 - Savannah

Year 6 - Ava

MUSIC RECOGNITION

As music lead at Harwich Community,
I am so very proud to share some
wonderful news.

'Congratulations! The Greater Essex
Music Hub would like to celebrate
the value that you place on music in
your school by presenting

you with the Music
Mark of Recognition
for Dedication &
Improvement.'



A MESSAGE FROM ME

I am concerned and want to alert all
parents of our school community to this
Facebook profile. Whilst we are all
aware of keeping ourselves safe in
person; we must also keep ourselves
vigilant online too. There is a certain
profile who seems to know a lot about
our school and on different platforms
shares parts of our newsletter on
various Facebook pages. This must
be someone who has access to our
DOJOS because part of last week's
newsletter appeared as a screen
shot on a Facebook page and this
newsletter had only been shared
there and not on our school website.

Please can I urge you not to
converse or share anything about our
school or your children with this
person / profile. I can also confirm
that this name is not on our school
records and is NOT linked to any of
our children or
families. Just keeping
us all aware and safe.
If anyone knows who
this is, please come in
and report to me as
soon as possible. Many thanks.



UPDATE

During the week, we wanted to make you
aware that the school has received reports
of a suspicious adult seen hanging around
outside the school.

As a precaution, we contacted the police via
101 to report the concerns and provide
them with information about the individual
and their whereabouts. We will continue to
liaise with the police and follow their advice.

Please be reassured that the safety and
wellbeing of our children remain our highest
priority. We are continuing to have
appropriate staff presence around the
school and are reminding children about
staying with trusted adults and not speaking
to or approaching unfamiliar adults.

We would ask parents and carers to remain
vigilant when arriving at and leaving school
and, if you notice anything concerning, to
report it directly to the police and inform
the school. We are also working closely with
the police at this time.

Many thanks, Mrs Anderson