



Principal's News

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been wonderful to welcome our pupils back to school. Harriers is feeling like a proper school again!

We have all had to get used to new systems and procedures. Thank you for your patience and cooperation, I think we are getting used to it now. In school, during the day, the children have immediately adapted to the new routines and it feels very much like the normal school experience... with a lot more handwashing! We have had assemblies (via Zoom), Year 6 have been on a local walk trip, Year 2 have recreated the Great Fire of London and break and lunchtimes are in full swing.



Year 2 pupils recreated the Pudding Lane Great Fire of London.

We do still need to be alert to the risks posed by COVID-19, especially after the news in the past days that the number of cases is rising. Thankfully Cherwell district remains below the national average, but we must be cautious to ensure it stays this way. May I therefore remind everyone that you have a duty of care to every pupil and member of staff in school to not send your child into school if they are displaying symptoms.

The main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are:

- a high temperature – this means your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they or you have noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child displays any of these symptoms, however mild, they must self-isolate for at least 10 days from when their symptoms started. All household members, including siblings, need to stay at home and not leave the house for 14 days. The 14-day period starts from the day when the first person in the household became ill or, if they do not have symptoms, from the day their test was taken. If anyone else in the household starts displaying symptoms, they need to stay at home for at least 10 days from when their symptoms appear, regardless of what day they are on in their original 14-day isolation period.

You may only end isolation early if the person with symptoms in your household receives a negative test; anyone in your household who has symptoms must continue to isolate until they receive a negative test or at least 10 days from when their symptoms appeared.

Follow the link to find information about how to [book a test](#). You can book a test online or via 119. We also suggest you check Google Maps for your nearest Covid test centres - ours are currently north of Stratford (Southend) and Oxford (Parkway), with occasional popup centres (not displayed on the map). Further

information can be found in this article:
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-51943612> .

If you are isolating because you have been contacted by NHS Test and Trace or because you are required to under public health measures at the border, you must continue to isolate for 14 days even if you receive a negative test. If a member of a household has returned from a country on the quarantine list, then the whole household must quarantine for 14 days and not attend school.

We are entering the season where we expect children to have other illnesses, such as colds

and flu. If you are confident that your child displays cold or flu-like symptoms, then you do not need to get them tested. You should trust your own judgement as to whether they are well enough to attend school. If you are unsure then we ask you to err on the side of caution and have your child tested.

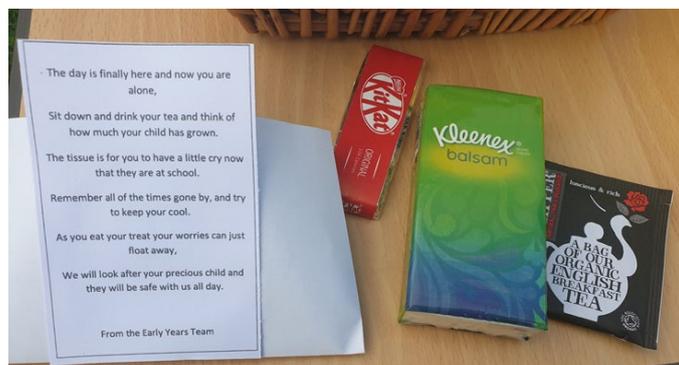
We understand that this is a lot of information to take on board, so please do feel free to call the office if you would like some reassurance that you are making the right decision.

We thank you for following this advice, as it will help make the school safer for all of us. We all have a duty of care to do the right thing and isolate if we, or a member of our household, display symptoms.

Kind regards,

Alex Pearson, Principal

Welcome Early Years!



We welcomed our new Early Years' pupils last week for their first transition visits and sent home these little care packages for our parents.

Open Events at Wykham Park and Futures Institute

For Year 7 September 2021 entry
including Wykham Park Year 7 pathway to
Futures Institute Banbury

SEPTEMBER 2020 OPEN EVENTS
Now open for bookings!
Banbury Aspirations Campus

2019 GCSE RESULTS: BEST EVER!

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01295 257942 / Ruskin Road, Banbury, OX16 9HY

Now open for bookings!

Find out more and watch videos for both schools here <https://www.wykhampark-aspirations.org/september-2020-events-for-year-7-september-2021-entry/>

Sense of Accomplishment

We realise your children have had limited opportunities to take part in many activities over the past months but we are sure they have continued to amaze with their resourcefulness.

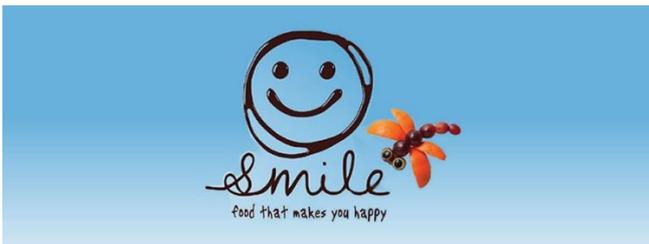
Please don't forget to send in any photos of your children's achievements at home or for activities which they take part in outside of school.

Our Sense of Accomplishment page on the website will celebrate their achievements, whether at home, in clubs, sports or the community. Please email office@harriers-aspirations.org, with a short description and photo, if you would like to share your child/ren's successes with us.



Recreation of the Great Fire of London: Year 2 pupils watch as fire spreads from building to building.

School Meals



The menu for term 1 and 2 is available on our website now: <https://www.harriers-aspirations.org/parents-information/menus/>

Drop off and pick up timings

Please see the [Welcome Back from Mr Pearson letter, including all drop off and pick up timings, 3rd September 2020](#) for our current school day.

Dates for your Diary

Term 1: Thursday 3 September – Friday 23 October 2020.

Holiday: Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October.

Term dates for 2020-21 are available here: <https://www.harriers-aspirations.org/parents-information/term-dates-2020-2021/>

Social Media Warning

Please may we remind parents/carers of the dangers of allowing your child access to social media sites. Almost all social media sites require users to be at least 13 years old.

This week in particular, however, we have been made aware of some particularly horrific video content that is being shared under false headings (such as "my pasta dinner") which means adults and children are viewing it unknowingly. It would be extremely upsetting if viewed so please take additional care whilst using social media whilst the companies, most notably TikTok, deal with the situation.

Community Activities Star Strike Football Coaching

Weekly sessions for primary aged kids		Develop new skills
Monthly membership or pay-as-you-play		Make new friends
		Earn medals & trophies as you learn
Now running weekly at:		What parents said about us:
The Hill Community Sports Centre OX16 0JJ Mondays 5pm		"Excellent coaching with a great emphasis on teamwork, I'd recommend Star Strike to anyone".
Easington Park OX16 9JW Saturdays 10am		"The first thing my son said on the way home was 'I can't wait to come again next week!' "
	All sessions adjusted to ensure COVID safety. Some sessions may be temporarily open air.	We run Holiday Clubs & 121 tuition too!
	All coaches trained, experienced & DBS certified	
	Contact 07775 687682 or find us on Facebook! Full details at www.starstrikefootball.co.uk	

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