



Harriers Banbury Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers

As you know we offer a flexible finish time on a Friday of 2:00/2:10/2:15pm or 3:00/3:10/3:15pm, which allows us greater flexibility in our timetabling and has a positive impact on teaching and learning throughout the week. We have taken on board parent feedback, however, on what we offer for the last hour of the day.

We have therefore scrapped 'homework club' and it will be replaced with a provision we are calling '**Penguins**', which will offer opportunities for the children to learn skills outside of the normal curriculum as well as an optional chance to complete homework or recap learning from lessons. Activities will run on a rota basis with every group, at some point, taking part in forest school, sports, cookery, rock choir, and art.

Penguins will start on Friday 15th October 2021. If your child is already signed up for Homework Club then they will automatically be signed up for Penguins. Please email or call the office if you would like to add your child to the new optional hour, but we do ask that the commitment is made for a term not ad-hoc weeks.

The choice is totally yours, and you may still pick your child up at 2:00/2:10/2:15pm if you wish to do your own activities at home.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Yours faithfully,

Alex Pearson
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