



**Harriers Banbury Academy**  
an Aspirations Academy

*Our Vision: to cultivate high quality education in a supportive environment, enabling our pupils to become happy, confident individuals, ready to take on the world*

# Harriers Newsletter

Friday 16th September 2022

# Message from Miss Pamplin



Dear Parents and Carers,

I can not quite believe we have reached the end of week 2.

This week, our Year 6 children have been on their residential to Everdon Stubbs. The children have had a fabulous week and we shall share some photographs in our next newsletter. A huge thanks go to the staff who accompanied them, without whom the trip would not have been possible. On Wednesday morning, our pupils were treated to an orchestral performance by the County Music Service teachers, who came to inspire them to learn to play an instrument.

On Tuesday, we celebrated Roald Dahl Day with stories, poetry and activities based on the wonderful stories he wrote.



Our new nursery classroom was completed this Thursday, with our children arriving this morning to an exciting new environment. We still have some additional resources we need to purchase hopefully over the next few weeks.

Following Queen Elizabeth II's death last week, we shall be producing a commemorative book to celebrate The Queen's life, filled with our memories. We are hoping to forward a copy of this to Buckingham Palace to share with the Royal Household.

Kind regards,

Steph Pamplin



Congratulations go to Miss Beagley, who got married over the holidays and has now become Mrs Jenkins.





Mrs Jakeman  
Business Manager



Mrs Cooper  
Year 5 Teacher



Mr Few  
Year 6 Teacher



Mrs Melia  
Teaching Assistant



Welcome  
to our new  
members  
of staff



Congratulations go  
to  
Woodpecker Class  
& Owl Class  
for winning the  
attendance bears  
this week with  
99.2% attendance

## Attendance

Whole school attendance  
this week was 94.7%

( **-1.3% on expected level** )



# Roald Dahl Day



Oxfordshire County Music Service visited Harriers and performed a very exciting assembly for us! We had guitar, flute, singing, violin, viola and cello performances!

Music lessons for some of these instruments are available at Harriers, please contact the school office for more information.





In their first science lesson of the term, Year 5 made water cycles in a bag. They have enjoyed watching the water cycle in action!



## Upcoming Dates



**Friday, 30th September**  
**8.30-10am**  
**The Hall**

**Plus PTFA get together.**

- Friday, 30th September Macmillan coffee morning and PTFA meeting.
- Tuesday, 4th October -Parents' Evening 3.30-7pm (virtual)
- Thursday, 6th October Parents' Evening 3.30-5pm (virtual)
- Thursday, 20th October School Disco  
Session 1 4-5.15pm (recommended for EY-Y3)  
Session 2 5.30-6.45pm (recommended for Y4-6)
- Friday, 21st Oct Term 1 ends
- Monday, 31st October Term 2 begins
- Early Years Open Sessions for new parents 1st, 2nd & 3rd November (9.15-11am)
- Thursday, 3rd November Harriers' Fireworks Night (5-7pm)



# Uniform

The school is proud of its uniform and all children wear the school colours. We believe that smart uniform and appearance are very important. Our uniform provides our pupils with an identity and signals a belonging and commitment to our school community. It also reflects the high standards and expectations that we set throughout the school.

Next week, there is a whole school focus on ensuring all our pupils are wearing the correct uniform. Please support your child in doing this.



**Toasted pitta with tuna, mayo and yoghurt dip**



**Sliced fruit with yoghurt**



**Boiled eggs**



**Carrot, pepper and celery sticks**



**Low-fat hummus with veggie fingers**



**Cherry tomatoes**

# Snacks

Here are some ideas for healthy break time snacks.



Year 5 children may be interested in the open evening at Wykham Park Academy

For Year 7 September 2023 entry  
including Wykham Park Year 7 pathway to  
Futures Institute Banbury

**OPEN EVENING**  
Wed 5th October 6.00 - 8.00 pm  
Presentation 7.00 pm

**FUTURES INSTITUTE BANBURY**      **Wykham Park Academy Banbury**      **Banbury Aspirations Campus Sixth Form**

please register your interest via email  
[transition@wykhampark-aspirations.org](mailto:transition@wykhampark-aspirations.org)

[futuresbanbury.org](http://futuresbanbury.org)      [wykhampark-aspirations.org](http://wykhampark-aspirations.org)

01295 257942 / Ruskin Road, Banbury, OX16 9HY



## “50 things to do before you are 5”

The app is free to download and offers 50 low-cost and no-cost activities, designed to promote early language development, as well as encourage parent-child interaction. The app contains information, guidance and supporting resources for parents/ carers, and also lists local events and activities across Oxfordshire.

<https://oxfordshire.50thingstodo.org/app/os#!/welcome>



# Activities/Clubs outside Harriers



*Banbury*

Longford Park Community Centre, Hobby Rd, Bodicote,  
Banbury OX15 4GJ

*Every Saturday*

10am Mini Movers (3 - 6yrs)  
10:45am Juniors (7yrs +)

[www.flairdancestudio.co.uk](http://www.flairdancestudio.co.uk)  
07798 842123



Banbury and Bicester College

## JUNIOR SATURDAY ART CLUB FOR 8 - 11 YEAR OLDS

Junior Saturday Art Club welcomes all young creative 8-11 year-olds to enjoy a mixture of art, design, and craft in our specialist art workshops!

You will have the opportunity to experience a range of fun, inspiring and challenging activities in our art studios.

Our art studios and facilities are second to none and will provide an inspiring and creative environment for you to explore all sorts of creative disciplines. Come and have fun!

All abilities will be catered for. Activities are varied each series to accommodate returning students.

- ▶ Fee: £75 - all materials are included. Parents are very welcome to come along with their child, without extra costs.
- ▶ Timing: Series of 8 Saturday mornings 10am-12pm
- ▶ Date: See website for start date options
- ▶ Location: Banbury and Bicester College, Broughton Road, Banbury, OX16 9QA

For full course information and to enrol visit:  
[adult.activetelearning.ac.uk/ban-jr-art-club](http://adult.activetelearning.ac.uk/ban-jr-art-club)



## GET STARTED JUDO FOR BEGINNERS



### Beginners 8-Week Judo Course

Starting 28th September Banbury Judo Club invites you to come and start your journey into judo.

The beginners course is designed to take you from your first step on the mat to your first grade. We will teach you how to fall, get up and keep on moving. We will teach you how to use minimum effort for maximum efficiency.

All Sessions are held at BGN School, Adisson Road, Banbury

**Juniors (6+):**  
Course price £20  
5pm - 6pm every Sunday

**Seniors (15+):**  
Course price £30  
6pm-7:30pm every Sunday

For more information visit [www.banburyjudoclub.org.uk](http://www.banburyjudoclub.org.uk) or visit our facebook page.

