



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, 14th October 2022

Message from Miss Pamplin



Our Early Years phonics workshop was well attended on the 7th October, with parents and carers being shown how we teach phonics at Harriers. We are looking to hold similar workshops in years 1 and 2 next term.

We have had a wonderful offer from one of our parents, to run a termly uniform sale. If anyone would like to help with sorting and helping with this, please contact the office.

Next week we welcome you all to our Harvest celebrations across our three phases. A reminder that Nursery and Early Years are holding theirs at 2.30-3pm on Wednesday afternoon in Early Years; Years 1-3 are holding theirs from 2-2.45pm in their classrooms and Years 4-6 will be holding theirs at 2.45-3.10pm in the hall. Hopefully, we shall see many of you there. A reminder that we are collecting grocery (long life) food items for our community cupboard which goes to support our families.

Kind regards, Steph Pamplin



Congratulations go to
Swallows (96.7%) & Owl
(96.0%) Classes
for winning the
attendance bears last
week.

No celebration this week



Attendance

Whole school attendance

Last week 92.7%

(-3.3% on expected level)

Whole school attendance

This week 92.5%

(-3.5% on expected level)



Lower Phase Celebration Assembly 7th October 2022



High Flyers



Upper Phase Celebration Assembly 7th October 2022



Upcoming Dates



- Early Years trip to Banbury Town 20th October
- Thursday, 20th October School Disco
Session 1 4-5.15pm (recommended for N-Y3) Parents must stay with Nursery & Early Years children.
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 prospective parents 1st, 2nd & 3rd November (9.15-11am)
- Thursday, 3rd November Harriers' Fireworks Night (5-7pm)
- Thursday, 10th November HAC (Harriers Advisory Comittee) meeting 10am

Our wraparound care at Harriers is very popular!

We would love to have donations of any of the following items for our children to enjoy:

- **Action figures/Barbies**
- **Puzzles for children aged 5-11**
- **Lego**
- **Games**
- **Colouring books**



Please speak to the Office if you do have any donations.



Breakfast Club and After School Club



Early Years have been practicing our PSED skills (Personal, Social and Emotional Development).



Nursery have been baking! Hedgehog bread was on the menu this week...



Year 1 had a great time at our 'Book and a Brew'. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who came along - it was a huge success!



Woodpeckers have really been enjoying reading for pleasure on the library bus each week.



Year 4 have been creating excellent persuasive powerpoints about their chosen European country!

Graceful Greece



Imagine being on a trip to an island called Greece in a luxurious, cool resort. The weather is perfect for the beaches and lovely for tourists. It is perfect for anything, such as surfing across the beautiful and blue waves.





In Science, Year 5 are learning about lifecycles. The children used tweezers to carefully dissect raw eggs to learn about how a chick develops and the role of each part of the egg.

Then, they carefully dissected and examined flowers to understand how a plant reproduces.

We have been redesigning London in Year 2.
We have planned a city that would be less
likely to have a fire spread!





Halloween Disco tickets
available from school office



Firework tickets available on
your child's Parent Pay
account or via the school
office





Through our work
with the Oxfordshire
County Music
Service, Harriers
has been
recognised as a
Music Mark School!

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Keeping our children safe

The NSPCC Learning website is a hub of information for parents and more

We've all been on the receiving end of a difficult conversation. But that doesn't make it any easier when you have to have one with your child.

We know that approaching certain subjects with children and young people can be challenging, however there are lots of ways to make it easier for you both. The NSPCC site has lots of resources and advice to help you.

Safeguarding & Child Protection Team at Harriers Banbury Academy



Mrs East
Designated Safeguarding Lead
Assistant Principal, SENDCO



Ms Pamplin
Principal
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Agate
Vice Principal
Deputy Safeguarding Lead



Mrs Sakeman
Advanced Safeguarding &
Business Manager



Miss Wayte
Advanced Safeguarding



Mr Sherington
Advanced Safeguarding



Mr Connor
Advanced Safeguarding



Mrs Stephens
Advanced Safeguarding

*Have you met
the Harriers
Safeguarding
team?*

NSPCC 'Learning'

Did you also know the NSPCC Helpline is there to help parents and teachers seek advice if they need it? Our trained practitioners are dedicated to helping solve any worries a parent or carer may have about a child and they can be contacted on 0808 8000 5000 or by emailing help@nspcc.org.uk

Activities outside Harriers

FREE EVENT



The Banbury BID Halloween Scarecrow Trail

22ND OCTOBER - 30TH OCTOBER

BANBURY BID INVITES YOU TO A SCARECROW TRAIL
HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHAT THIS ENTAILS?

SIXTEEN SCARECROWS HAVE TAKEN TO THE STREETS
AND AWAIT THE DAY YOU SHALL MEET

SO COME ALONG, AS THE MOON STARTS TO GLOW
WHO WILL BE YOUR FAVOURITE SCARECROW?

COLLECT YOUR SCARECROW MAP FROM SWEET CELEBRATIONS: 19 CHURCH LANE
BANBURY AND THEN POST IT BACK THERE ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED IT.

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Oxfordshire Intermediate Orchestra

FOR ALL ORCHESTRAL INSTRUMENTS GRADES 5-8

At the Centre for Music, Oxford

Email - music.services@oxfordshire.gov.uk

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/music-service/music-groups/orchestras.htm>

7-9-2022 15-10-2022
16-11-2022 20-12-2022
10-01-2023 14-02-2023
11-03-2023 15-04-2023
16-05-2023 19-06-2023
20-07-2023 23-08-2023

OMEP

Oxfordshire Music Service

OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Gloji Energy

FREE service
Helping children learn healthy habits

Fun and energetic sessions:
- trampolining
- badminton
- basketball
- and much more...

Get the whole family moving more and making healthier lifestyle choices together

Learn about food, portions, snacking, self-esteem and more...

1-to-1 and group sessions

gloji groups

Call on **01865 590292**

Gloji Energy is a **FREE** healthy lifestyle programme for children and families that supports them to lead healthier lifestyles. Gloji Energy is fully funded by Oxfordshire County Council and accessible for children aged 4-12 years old. There will be both group and one to one sessions available, dependant on the needs of each family.

Gloji Energy isn't about introducing your child or family to a diet, it is to provide children with 45 minutes of various physical activity whilst parents/carers learn healthy lifestyle tips and tricks which include subjects such as, regular eating patterns, portions, making and breaking habits, staying active, sleep and meal planning. There is also a 15 minute interactive activity at the end each sessions for the whole family to engage in.

Locations where Gloji Energy is being held include Oxford, Bicester, Witney, Berinsfield, Abingdon and Didcot.

Families can find out more information on locations and dates of the programmes and sign up by accessing Achieve Oxfordshire's website:

<https://www.achieveoxfordshire.org.uk/services/gloji-energy>

Primary School Health Team Newsletter

Term 1 September 2022

This newsletter aims to provide families and young people with some useful tips for keeping healthy...

*Childhood is an important time to instil **healthy habits** and learn **crucial life skills**.*

Establishing these habits early on will help to improve your child's future quality of life and enable them to reach their full potential in education and beyond.

School Health Nurses are based in Oxfordshire and the contact details for the Team are at the end of this newsletter. If you have any health concerns regarding your child please contact the school health nursing team.

Getting ready to start school

Starting primary school can be daunting for you and your child, but it marks the start of an exciting new chapter. Before you know it, your child will be making friends, learning new skills, and becoming increasingly independent.



Here are five tips for school readiness:

- Support your child's independence
- Build up your child's social skills
- Make a start on early literacy and numeracy skills
- Help your child learn to concentrate
- Talk to your child about school

Take a look at the [Oxford Owl website](#) for more information, a video on resilience, starting school checklists, guides and much more.

OXFORD OWL

Active Oxfordshire believes that every child in Oxfordshire deserves an active start in life but currently only half of our children and young people are active, and just 19% are meeting the guidelines of 60 active minutes a day. For more information [visit their website](#)

Want to encourage your young person to be more active? Why not try some of the ideas listed here to boost activity levels:

- [Activities in Oxfordshire Directory](#)

Or see how many of these free Oxfordshire parks you can visit together:

- [Free parks in Oxfordshire](#)



Emergency Medication Reminder

If your child is prescribed an **asthma inhaler**, **adrenaline pen** for allergies, or other **emergency medication**, please remember to make sure you have enough in-date medication to share with their school. It is a requirement that this is in school and should be taken in on the first day.



If there have been any changes to your child's care plan, please share this with school. School Nurses deliver training to school staff for these medical conditions.

If you have any concerns or need help with your child's care plan, please contact the School Nursing Team.

[Asthma Action Plan](#) (print out and take to your GP or Practice Nurse to complete).

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National Eye Health Week

19th-25th September 2022

Did you know that all children under 16 and for young people under 19 in full time education are eligible for free eye tests?

Find an optician near you: <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/services-near-you/>

Try to have check ups **every 2 years**.



NATIONAL EYE HEALTH WEEK
MONDAY 19 - SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2022
YOUR VISION MATTERS

Flu immunisations

All primary aged children

are eligible for this

important vaccination this term. You will receive an email with further information on dates and how to consent.



School Aged Immunisation Service

Are your child's vaccinations up to date?

Please check the [UK Immunisation Schedule](#) to ensure your child is up to date with all their vaccinations.

If you are unsure whether they have had them, please check your Red Book or contact the Child Health Information Service on 0300 561 1851.

Bed wetting

is your child wet at night?

Facts

- Bedwetting affects around half a million children in the UK, takes a toll on the family and impacts children's self-esteem and well-being.
- A common cause of wetting at night is not drinking enough in the day.
- The bladder needs to stretch large enough to hold all of the urine produced in the night — this is done by drinking enough in the day.

Top Tips

- Drinks should be spaced evenly through the day.
- Praise for drinking enough in the day, boosts self esteem and reward charts are encouraging.
- Wetting may get worse before improving as the bladder is slow to stretch, hence praise drinking, not dry beds as your child has control over drinking enough but not over a wet bed.



The [ERIC website](#) has great information and advice and you can also contact your School Nursing Team.

Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)

[Oxfordshire CAMHS](#) offers a single point of access for parents/carers, who have concerns around mental health.

Single Point of Access (SPA):
01865 902515

You can also visit <https://youngminds.org.uk/> which has a helpline

Or visit

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/>

YOUNG MINDS
fighting for young people's mental health

family lives

Your School Health Nurse is: *****

If you would like to speak to your school health nurse, please call: Jo Hailey, 01865 904234

[Link for ParentLine Chat](#)

We will call you back if you leave a message.

Or email banbury.schoolnurses@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/oxNHSschoolnurses/>

School Health Nurse website: www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/school-health-nurses/

Chat4Health **NHS Oxford Health**

ParentLine 5-11 years

New School Health Nursing team for parents and carers of children 5-11 years old. 24/7 support and advice.

Text 07312 263227 to message a school health nurse

Need School Health Nursing support? We're here to help. Call or text us. We'll be there for you. 24/7. We'll be there for you. 24/7.

Call 01865 904234 or text 07312 263227

For more information visit <https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/parentline>

QR code linking to ParentLine chat.