

Friday 6th October 2023

This Half-Term's Value: Respect and British Values

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 10th – Thursday 12th October

Open days for next year's EYFS families

Wednesday 11th October

Year 4 Parents Evening, 4 – 6:30pm (bookings via School Spider more info to follow)

Thursday 12th October

EYFS – Year 5 Parents Evening, 4 – 6:30pm (bookings via School Spider more info to follow)

Monday 16th October - Friday 20th October

Year 6 Residential trip to Outward Bound

Tuesday 17th October

Parents Evening 3:30 – 6pm (bookings via School Spider more info to follow)

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October Half term

Reminders

EYFS and Year 1: Please send in wellies for your child's learning outdoors.

Year 6 Parents evening postponed until after halfterm (dates to follow next week).

Parking

Please park legally and considerately at the start and end of the day specifically. Parking on the yellow zigzags outside school puts the children in danger and it is illegal for that reason (this includes stopping to let your child out of the car). Also be considerate when parking, so as to not cause an obstruction. Parking slightly further down the road and walking with your child will avoid the congestion and help keep children safe.



School Admissions

School admissions are now open for children due to start primary or secondary school in September 2024 at: <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-educationfamilies/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/>
Our new EYFS intake open days are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (10th – 12th Oct) to book a place please contact the school office.

Permanent Headteacher

I am delighted and honored to be sending this newsletter as your new permanent Headteacher. It is with immense enthusiasm and a profound sense of responsibility that I step into this role, entrusted with the education and well-being of your children. My door is always open, and I am eager to hear your thoughts, concerns, and aspirations for our school. Your involvement and support are invaluable in shaping the future of Harris Primary. Thank you for your kind words of support throughout the year and since my appointment. I'm proud to be part of such a wonderful school and community. **Mr Groom**

★ Writers of the Week! ★

Each week the teachers choose an impressive piece of writing, from a child in their class, to go on display in the school entrance and receive the Star Writer award.

This week our Star Writers are: **Jack (Rec)**, **Isobel (Y1)**, **Ben (Y2)**, **Asiya (Y3)**, **Elsie (Y4)**

★ Stars of the Week! ★

Huge congratulations to...

Preschool: Luna

Reception: Jack and Edison

Year 1: Adam and Elayna

Year 2: Lucas and Ethan

Year 3: Adelaide and Oscar

Year 4: Toby and Summer

Year 5: All of Year 5!

Year 6: Alissia and Lucy W

Online Safety Newsletter

The online safety section of our school website has lots of information to support parents and children with staying safe online: <https://www.harris.lancs.sch.uk/page/online-safety/140624>

Each month we issue an online safety newsletter, October's edition is available on the website or by clicking here: [October Online Safety Newsletter](#)

This week in EYFS and Key Stage 1

PRESCHOOL



This week in Preschool, we have been looking at signs of Autumn. The children have been on walks around the school grounds, looking for any signs of Autumn and collecting any interesting items. We introduced our Autumn interest table where the children could take a closer look at some of the things we associate with the season, which provided lots of opportunity for sharing and learning new vocabulary. To enhance our Autumn learning further we enjoyed our book of the week 'The Leaf Thief'.

Reception



The children have been working so hard learning their new phonics sounds and have been applying them into their Literacy work. They have been writing their own sentences this week explaining why they are incredible. In Maths, we have been focusing on the number 4, gaining a deeper understanding of the number, what it means and where it falls on a number line. The children have been drawing lips this week in Art, carefully following the step-by-step instructions. They have done an amazing job! In PE this week, the children have been practising their overarm throws. In circle time, we have been talking about the people in our lives who help us. The children were great at identifying the adults who help them at home and at school.

Year 1



PIC-COLLAGE

This week, in English we have been writing our own version of the story Lost and Found. We changed the main characters and the setting to the North Pole. In Maths, we have been measuring length using our hands, cubes and paper clips. We have also been learning how to use balance scales to measure items. In Science, we were reading features of animal and matching them to the correct group. In History, we have made zigzag books about the 4 polar explorers and wrote key facts. In Geography, we make balloon globes. In PSHE, we talked about what good listening looks like. In our continuous provision areas, the children completed 4 learning challenges.

YEAR TWO



This week in Maths, we have started to add and subtract two-digit numbers, which has been quite tricky but Year 2 didn't give up! In English, we wrote a diary entry independently, chose our favourite poem for the Harris Poetry Slam and retold the story of the Jolly Postman. Year 2 performed their chosen poem on Thursday as a class and off by heart in front of the whole school. I am so proud of how confident Year 2 were and how brilliant their performance was- well done! We also finished our music unit of *Hands, Feet, Heart* this week and we have started looking at the industrial revolution in history.

This week in Key Stage 2

YEAR THREE



Year Three have had another super week! The children have been busy writing diary entries in English using fronted adverbial and lots of descriptive writing. We looked at Bar Charts in Maths and created our own chart showing Year 3's Favourite Fruits. The most common fruit in Year 3 was Strawberry! In Science we investigated what happens to the length of a shadow depending on how far the light is or if it is tilted. In French, we have been learning how to greet each other and how to introduce ourselves.

YEAR FOUR



We've been writing newspapers this week all about the when the Piped Piper took the children of Hamelin. We've used direct speech and adverbials of when in our articles. In Maths we've been measuring in cm and mm and we've started moving onto statistics. In History we made a circle book showing what ancient civilizations ate. The children preformed really well during the poetry slam as a class and some as individuals.

YEAR FIVE



Year 5 had an exciting end of week at Winmarleigh Hall adventure centre PGL. They all got stuck into all the activities including: raft-building on the lake, conquering the giant swing, fencing and outdoor survival skills. The children were incredibly well behaved and a credit to Harris Primary. The wind and rain didn't stop them from having great fun and making memories. The children even managed to get some sleep too. Thank you to the wonderful Harris staff who attended the trip and looked after the children.

YEAR SIX



Year 6 have had another busy week. They performed brilliantly in their group poem at the Poetry Slam on Thursday. They should excellent investigation skills in Science, experimenting with colour and light filters. Mr Ridge had a great session in PE this week practising multi-skills and invasion games strategies.

Autumn Term Extra-Curricular Dates 2023

Before School Clubs 8:00-8:45 or 8:15-8:45				
Year Groups	Club	Start Date	End Date	Staff
Y3/4	Boys Football 8:00-8:45	Monday 18 th Sept	Monday 27 th Nov	Mr Ridge
Y5/6	Athletics 8:00-8:45	Tuesday 19 th Sept	Tuesday 28 th Nov	Mr Ridge
Y3/4	Hockey 8:00-8:45	Wednesday 20 th Sept	Wednesday 29 th Nov	Mr Ridge
KS2	Cross Country 8:15-8:45	Thursday 21 st Sept	Wednesday 30 th Nov	Miss Rigby
Lunchtime Clubs 12:00-12:30 or 12:25-12:55				
KS2	Rubix Cube	Thursday 21 st Sept	Wednesday 30 th Nov	Mr Ridge
After School Clubs 3:20-4:15				
Y5/6	Boys Football	Monday 18 th Sept	Monday 27 th Nov	Mr Groom
KS2	Girls Football	Monday 18 th Sept	Monday 27 th Nov	Mr Ridge
Y5/6	Gymnastics Group 1	Monday 18 th Sept	Monday 16 th Oct	Miss Wilkinson
Y5/6	Gymnastics Group 2	Monday 30 th Oct	Monday 27 th Nov	Miss Wilkinson
Y5/6	Hockey	Wednesday 20 th Sept	Wednesday 29 th Nov	Mr Ridge
Whole School	Drama	Set their own dates		Players in Education
Y4/5/6	Netball	Thursday 21 st Sept	Thursday 30 th Nov	Miss Rigby
		<i>Cancelled Thursday 12th Oct due to parents evening</i>		
Whole School	Ju Jitsu	Set their own dates		Enso Martial Arts
		<i>Cancelled Thursday 12th Oct due to parents evening</i>		
Y5/6	Dance	Friday 22 nd Sept	Friday 1 st Dec	Miss Sumner

Coach Gunn Preston Autumn Half Term 2023 Multi Sports & Activity Days

Organised and led by Coach Gunn Limited providing **ACTIVE TRUSTED CHILDCARE**

WEDNESDAY 25th & THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER 2023 @ Harris Primary School, Preston (PR2 7EE)

9am-4pm each day

FREE 8am-5pm
extended hours

Open to Reception
to Y7 Boys & Girls

FULL DAY @ £24
HALF DAY @ £12
9am-12:30pm
12:30pm-4pm

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Each day will feature the children's favourite activities delivered in a safe & secure environment making the most of the fantastic spaces available encouraging ALL attending children to have lots of #FUNwithFriends

For further information or to make a booking please contact coachmarkgunn@gmail.com / 07912 178917

Name of Child..... School / Year Group..... /

Parental Name(s)..... Mobile(s).....

Parental Email(s).....

Medical Information - please give details of any important medical information that we should be aware of:

I would like my child to attend **Coach Gunn Preston Autumn Half Term 2023 Multi Sports & Activity Days** at **Harris Primary School (PR2 7EE)** on...

<p>Wednesday 25th October 2023 @ Harris Primary School (PR2 7EE)</p>	<p>Thursday 26th October 2023 @ Harris Primary School (PR2 7EE)</p>
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...and to secure their place I will make payment of £24 (Full Day) / £12 (Half Day) per child per day in advance.

Payment Method = Direct Transfer to Coach Gunn Limited (Santander) 09-01-29 67809950

PayPal (via friends & family) to coachmarkgunn@gmail.com

Alternatively via **cash or cheque (Coach Gunn Limited)**

I will collect my child(ren) promptly at 4pm I would like to request early drop off / later pick up

My child(ren) will be collected by another person (name/relationship).....

I agree / don't agree to the publication of images of my child(ren) in the media.

Signed

Date



School Term and Holiday Pattern: 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

Start of term Friday 1st September
Half-term close Friday 20th October
Re-open Monday 30th October
End of term Friday 22nd December

Spring Term 2024

Start of term Monday 8th January
Half-term close Friday 9th February
Re-open Monday 19th February
End of term Thursday 28th March

Summer Term 2024

Start of term Monday 15th April
Bank Holiday Monday 6th May
Half-term close Friday 24th May
Re-open Monday 3rd June
End of term Monday 22nd July

INSET Days

Day 1 Friday 1st September 2023
Day 2 Monday 3rd June 2024
Day 3 Tuesday 4th June 2024
Day 4 Wednesday 5th June 2024
Day 5 Thursday 6th June

Term dates for 2024/25 will be released later this term.

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