



NEWSLETTER

29th April 2024

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Note from the Head

Dear Parents and Carers,

As the summer term continues, please be reminded that school is closed on Thursday, due to the site being used for polling. Also, school will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday next week on 6th May.

Last week, Mr Wilson informed me that he is going to leave Harborne Primary School at the end of the academic year. He wanted to share the following words with you on the newsletter today:

"After sixteen years, I have decided that the time is right for me to leave Harborne Primary School and start the next chapter of my life.

I have accepted the offer of a place to study for an MSc in Philosophy, Psychology and Mental Health at the University of Birmingham, starting in September 2024.

I have loved working with the children, staff and families of the Harborne Primary community and am confident that the school will continue to go from strength to strength. Thank you all for your support over the years and I wish you and your children all the best for the future."

The school will now follow a recruitment process to appoint a new Deputy Head Teacher to start in September. I am sure I speak for all in the school community in wishing Mr Wilson well on his new path into the future.

Kindest Regards,
Mr Whitehouse

Attendance News

Attendance for the week 22nd-26th April 2024

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Percentage</u>	<u>Lates</u>
Reception	94.6%	7
Y1	96.4%	18
Y2	98.3%	5
Y3	97%	13
Y4	95.6%	12
Y5	96.2%	8
Y6	97.3%	4

An unusual request!

We are on the look out for some baby books that babies often have in the bath - the plastic ones.




Please can we ask anyone who might have some they no longer use if they could be donated to school?

We'd be very grateful.



Spring Art Competition Winners

Site/ Stage	Winner(s)	Runner Up
Main Site Reception	<p>Aiyanna REC</p>  <p>Rafael REC</p> 	<p>Evolet REC</p>  <p>Lilah ROC</p> 
Main Site KS1	<p>Elliot 2SF</p> 	<p>Layla 2SF</p> 
Main Site KS2	<p>Anaya 4NB</p> 	<p>Jude 3E</p> 

<p>Main Site KS2</p>	<p>Ibrahim 4W</p> 	<p>Rose 6KP</p> 
<p>Annex Reception</p>	<p>Abigail RTD</p> 	<p>Zain RTD</p> 
<p>Annex KS1</p>	<p>Elena 1M</p> 	<p>Iylah 2P</p> 
<p>Annex KS2</p>	<p>Sienna 5LM</p>  <p>Shya 5LM</p> 	<p>Taqi 3S</p> 



Peripatetic Instrument Lessons
Sign-up for September 2024

Deadline Wednesday 5th June 2024 12pm.
No payment. No place.

Payment, registration and instrument selection

- Payment, registration, and instrument selection for lessons should be made via Parentpay. Payment will be required upfront. Fees for the Autumn Term will go onto ParentPay on Wed 22nd April. Fees for each term are £110.
- The deadline for payment will be **Wednesday 5th June 12pm.** No payments or applications will be accepted beyond this date and time and refunds will be issued.
- Your payment of lessons confirms your acceptance of our Terms and Conditions and registration for lessons.
- When you have paid for lessons, your ParentPay receipt will secure and confirm your child's place.
- Lessons are available for children who will be in Year 2-6 in September 2024. (If your child is Pupil Premium, please contact Dawn Foley in the Main Site office before making any payments).
- Lessons will begin in the first two weeks in the Autumn Term. Further updates will be shared in September.

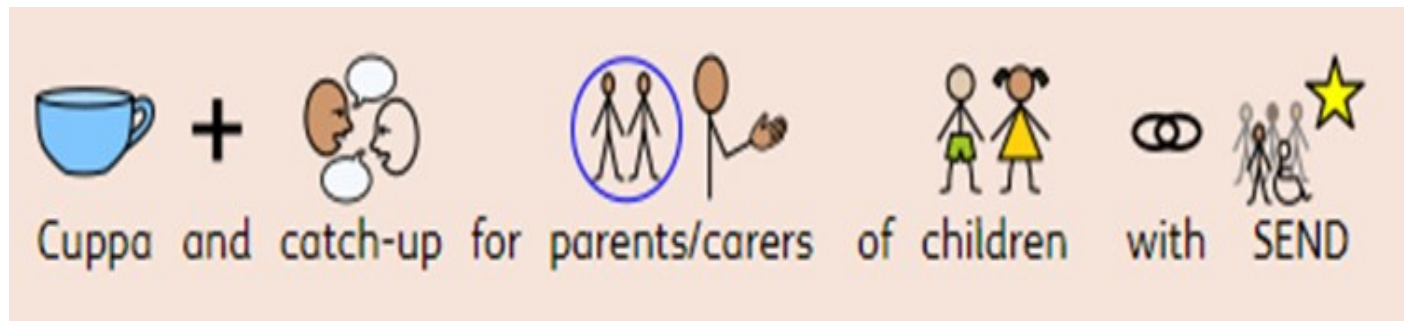
Instruments available are as follows:

Available for Years 2 to 6	Available Years 3 to 6
Guitar Violin Recorder	Woodwind Brass Cello



****TERMS AND CONDITIONS- IMPORTANT PLEASE READ****

- I understand that this is my only opportunity to sign my child up for the next academic year.
- I accept the expectation that my child is committed to have lessons for the duration of the entire academic year.
- I understand that payment will be required in advance of each new term.
- I understand that should the payment deadline for the upcoming term be missed, my child will not be able to continue having music lessons for the remainder of the year.
- I understand that my child can only learn one instrument at school.
- I understand that should we choose not to continue with lessons at any point, we will not be refunded for the term already paid for and my child will be taken off the register for the rest of the year.
- I understand that the Music Service [commit](#) to [offer](#) 30 lessons across the academic year.
- I understand that Music Service teacher absences will be made up in extra weeks should they fall short of the 30-week minimum. Any refunds due will be issued at the end of the academic year.
- I accept that should my child miss lessons due to illness, trips, TED Days, strikes or unforeseen closures, there will be no refunds.
- I understand that my receipt of payment on ParentPay is confirmation of my child's place.
- I understand that lessons are held in small groups of children, lasting for 20-30 minutes.
- I understand that lessons take place during the normal school day (including breaks and lunchtimes). Please note that school lessons may be missed, and timings are non-negotiable. Lessons are scheduled by the music teachers themselves.
- I understand that all communication and enquiries will be between myself and the instrument teacher via the child's practice diary as well as via email (teacher emails will be shared in September).
- I understand that instruments will be loaned by Services for Education - Music Services free of charge. I will ensure that instruments and cases are clearly labelled with my child's name and class. I understand that the school cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to instruments or contents of cases, either privately owned or belonging to Services for Education - Music Services. All repairs and maintenance costs of Music Service instruments are covered by the Music Service. Any borrowed instrument is returned to school, in good condition, at the termination of this agreement.
- I shall encourage my son/daughter to undertake an appropriate amount of practice each week as directed by the instrument teacher and that he/she brings music, instrument and other materials to the lesson as required.



You are invited to join our SEND Governor, Rob Powell, and members of our Inclusion Team to find out about our SEND provisions, our School's Inclusion Development Plan and to gain an insight into the opportunities, experiences and provisions for SEND children at HPS.

At this informal meeting, we will share key information with you and there will be opportunity for you to meet other parents/carers, share your children's experiences, offer your feedback/suggestions to us and ask questions.

Date: **Thursday 9th May**

Time: **9:00-10:00am**

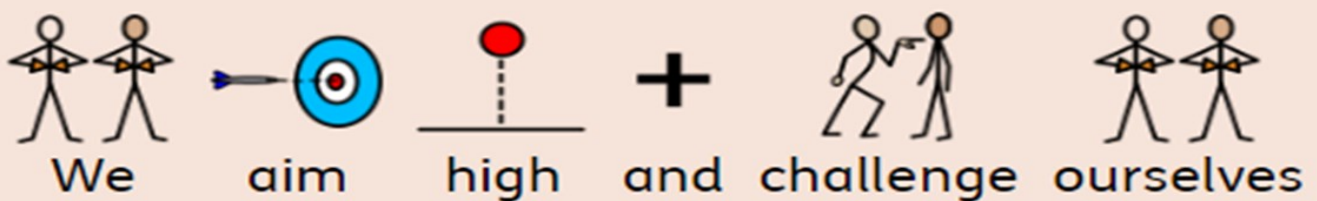
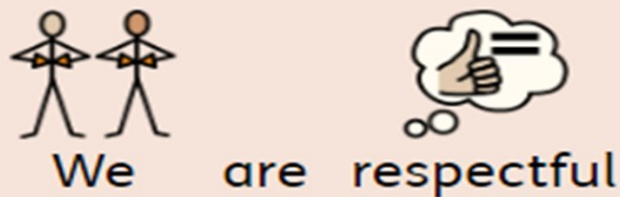
Place: **Main Site, Studio (parents/carers from Annex and Main Site invited)**

We very much hope that lots of you can join us.

Tamsin O'Brien
Inclusion Project Lead



We have recently updated our school rules to reflect our new positive behaviour approach. As you can see, our new rules have been aligned with the Harborne Primary School values of Respect, Aspiration, Opportunity, Confidence and Success. The children are responding very well!





Achievement Assembly Certificate Winners — w/e 26/04/2024

REC	Blake	Raees	
RGD	Sara	Eywa	
ROC	Theodore	Sultan	
RTD	Talia	Bella	Mr Down for running the London Marathon
1B	Jamila	Deeka	
1M	Lei-Lah Rose	Vani	
1NG	Azad	Sam	
1OQ	Vani	Srithejas	
2O	Mary	Farida	
2OB	Tanvi	Ari	
2P	Jodi	Arthur	
2SF	Avaani	Alaya	
3S	Nuriya	Edward	
3D	Jules		
3E	Brwa		
3PR	Amelia		
4RB	Suliman	Eythar	
4GV	Ola	Sudhannva	
4NB	Lexi		
4W	Lina		
5B	Tsz-Yu		
5C	Liora		
5BC	Frank		
5LM	Sienna	Mariam	
6D	Gauri		
6J	Amina		
6KP	George		



Dates in the Diary

Tues 30th April	Book Giveaway (Annex)
Wed 1st May	Book Giveaway (Main Site)
Thurs 2nd May	TED Day
Thurs 9th May	Cuppa & Catch up - SEND FAMILIES ONLY (MS Studio)
Mon 20th May	Y3 Woodlands Camp Trip
Tues 21st May	9.30-11am - New Reception Intake Stay & Play (Main Site)
Tues 21st May	5BC/5C — Think Tank
Wed 22nd May	9.00am-Y6 Residential Meeting with parents (studio main site)
Thurs 23rd May	Y3 Woodlands Camp Trip
Thurs 23rd May	9.30-11am — New Reception Intake Stay & Play (Annex)
Thurs 23rd May	1.30-3pm — New Reception Intake Stay & Play (Main Site)
Thurs 23rd May	5LM/5B — Think Tank
Fri 24th May	Last Day of Term
Mon 3rd Jun	School re-opens for all children
5th-6th June	Y2 Kingswood Residential Trip
10th-14th June	Y6 Oakerwood Residential Trip
12th-13th June	Y2 Kingswood Residential Trip
Thurs 20th June	Reception Busy Builders Parent workshop ROC (9.30am, Infant hall); REC (1.30pm, Infant hall) RTD (9.30am, Hall)
Fri 21st June	Reception Busy Builders Parent workshop RGD (9.30AM infants hall)
Tues 25th June	REC Trip to Mount Pleasant Farm—RGD (AM) REC (PM)
Thurs 27th June	REC Trip to Mount Pleasant Farm—RTD (AM) ROC (PM)
Mon 1st July	Y1 Think Tank Trip
Fri 12th July	Y6 Leavers party 7pm—9pm (Annex Hall)



Dear Parents,

As a school on two sites we have been working on finding the best solution for arranging successful "Sports Days" for all our pupils.

We have been able to book **Harborne Cricket Club** so all pupils at Main site will go there for Sports afternoons in June.

Reception, and Years 1 and 2 at the Main Site will attend on **Tuesday 18th June**.

Our Annex Junior classes (3S, 4GV and 5LM) will also join the KS2 Main Site classes at the KS2 Sports afternoon which this year will be on **Thursday 20th June**.

Staff from both sites will walk the children to the cricket club (nearer the time we will ask for parent volunteers to join us) .

We then expect many children will leave with their parents after the events but staff can walk children back to school for collection from their normal school site or to go to after school club if their parents request it.

Having risk assessed it, we do not think that the journey from The Annex to the Cricket Club is suitable for our younger children.

Therefore, the Annex EYFS/KS1 classes (RTD, 1M, 2P) will have their own Sports afternoon at the Annex on **Monday 24th June**.

Moving forward this will be our plan so that the children on both sites benefit from a smaller event for their first three years in school but are part of a larger event as they get older and are able to enjoy participating with the entire year group. We look forward to welcoming parents to support their children at all three events and will provide more details nearer the time but thought you may welcome some advance warning of dates and locations.

Miss Davis and Miss Clifford
PE Co-ordinators



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[Thursday 30th May](#) 10.00 -11.00am
or
[Thursday 20th June 2024](#) 1:00-2:00pm

For tips and strategies to support young people who are moving from Primary School to Secondary School

Moving on from Secondary School

[Thursday 31st May](#) or
[Thursday 21st June 2024](#)
both 10.00 -11.00am

For tips and strategies to support young people who are moving on from Secondary School

If you have any questions or problems with booking, please e-mail:
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SEND Therapy Team