



Principal's News

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to term 6, the final term of this year and we are so glad the summer has finally arrived. On that note, please can we remind you that pupils need water bottles and appropriate sun protection (hats, cream etc.)

We have many exciting events lined up for this term, kicking off this week with the annual Year 6 trip to Drayton Manor Park. We have also been selected to be a partner school to the Banbury Museum so are able to trial



some free workshops. A group of our pupils joined Mrs Roberts this week on a 'Wonder and Wow' day, meanwhile Year 3 have had trips to the Warriner farm, Year 4 are having a camping adventure on Thursday evening led by Onside coaches (watch this space for photos next week!) and next week (Thursday 16th June) is the annual Year 2 sleep over at school! Don't forget the PTFA father's day room on Friday 10th June (see office for payments).

Phonics screening checks for Year 1 take place next week – please see your class teachers if you have any queries.

On Wednesday 22nd June we will be holding our family celebration for the Queen's official birthday. This takes place from 3.15pm on the school playground and we have many exciting stalls and activities planned. Please look out for official invitations from your children (and possible pleas for donations!!) If you would like

to have a stall at the fete it will cost £10 – please arrange this at the office.

Our 'Walk on Wednesday' initiative continues this term – watch out for possible extra days to collect raffle tickets too! We try to encourage parents and pupils to walk as much of their journey to school as possible to enhance road safety around our school site and also to become increasingly environmentally friendly.

Finally, please can we remind you that pupils must not be dropped off on the playground unattended before 8.45am. This is a safeguarding risk and any pupils found unattended will be sent to breakfast club (with charges applied).

Kind regards

Alex Pearson, Principal

Playtime fun at Harriers!



Eighteen year 5 pupils have completed their Playground Leaders training. They have developed their leadership skills and created a bank of fun games and activities to play with Key Stage 1 children at lunchtimes.

They all worked really hard and did a great job when they were put to the test, taking charge of 30 year 1 children! The younger children thoroughly enjoyed the activities and are really excited about having the leaders out during lunchtimes!



Youth Sport Trust Quality Mark



We are delighted to receive a Silver Youth Sport Trust Quality Mark for the merit and vision of our PE and school sport provision for 2015/16.

Smartest Uniform

A very well dressed class! **1JS** win the award for the smartest uniform (right).



Tidiest Classroom and Cloakroom

The **whole school** won the award this week (below).



Staying Safe on the Roads



Well done to our Year 5 and 6 pupils who successfully completed their cycle proficiency course and received their Level 2 Certificate of Achievement from Oxfordshire Cycle Training.



House Cup Winners

Excellent work from Jupiter House who won the cup for the most dojo points awarded during the week beginning 23rd May.



Attendance and Punctuality Awards

Great attendance AND super time keeping from class **2SP** who won both awards. Very well done to all of 2SP.

Learners of the Week



Congratulations to our Learners of the Week for week beginning 23rd May.

Lucky Raffle Winners

Faith and Francis won bike helmets in the recent Edwards and Ward dining room competition.

Look out for another competition from our caterers soon.



Victory for Football Team



Our Year 5 and 6 Football team back at school after their impressive 8-2 win against The Grange on 19 May 2016.

Year 5 and 6 Cricket Festival - 26 May 2016



Our team of Year 5 and 6 boys and girls competed in the Kwik Cricket Festival at Banbury Cricket Club against local schools. As ever, there were some excellent individual and team performances with the girls finishing in first place and the boys in fourth place (after only losing a vital match by only 1 run).

Huge congratulations go to Abbie, Sophie, Zahra, Alina, Erin, Alisia, Maddy, Rhianna, Ahmed, Jack, Thor, Umar, Karan, Stanley, Nathanael and Abdur for representing Harriers Banbury Academy with such effort and pride.

[Full match report on the website.](#)



Don't forget to visit our new [Facebook](#) page for the latest news and events.

Race for Life

Harriers Banbury Academy's Race for Life event for Cancer Research UK takes place on 21st June so there is still lots of time to add extra pounds and pennies to our school's target of £1,500.

We have set up a Just Giving page where you can donate online. Find it here:

JustGiving™

[Harriers Banbury Academy Race for Life](#)

Cancer Research UK receives no government funding for their research, so the more of us who join the fight against cancer, the more money we can raise to beat cancer sooner.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please bring into reception any Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers that you wish to donate to the school. Many thanks.

E-Safety Tip of the Week



What is Kik, and why are kids so into it?

[The Guardian.com](#) has given advice about the new app "KIK" which is useful to share with parents of children who have access to smartphones:

*At first glance, Kik is just another free messaging app for smartphones. You log in, you pick a user name, and you send texts, selfies, and emojis to your friends. But that's just the first level of Kik, which is **designed with a teenage user in mind.***

Crucially, you can find and chat with total strangers on Kik.

*What's concerning to many parents and internet safety experts is that **Kik is anonymous.** You don't need to link your account to a phone number, and you don't need to use your real name.*

On Kik, you can be whoever you want.

What should parents do?

*Stephen Balkam, the founder of the Family Online Safety Institute suggests that **Facebook Messenger is a safer alternative**, since Facebook requires users to display their real names.*

The key for parents is to communicate – openly and frequently – with their children about their online lives.

[Read more on our E-Safety page](#)

Best Boy



Well done to James who has achieved 'Best boy' at his boy's brigade club out of school. He achieved this for "being a good representative and always being in uniform".

Please let us know of any achievements your children have out of school as we always enjoy celebrating these.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7 June – Wednesday 20 July: Term 6

Friday 10 June: PTFA Father's Day Room.

Monday 13 – Friday 17 June: Year 6 Residential.

Thursday 16 June: Year 2 Sleep Over at school.

Tuesday 21 June: Race for Life.

Wednesday 22 June: Queen's Birthday Bash, 3.15pm - 4.30pm on the playground.
Year 2 trip to Pizza Express.

Thursday 23 June: Polling Day. The school will be open as normal on this day.

Monday 27 June: INSET Day Day (no children in school).

Tuesday 28 June: Sports Day

PTFA Diary Dates

Friday 8 July: Phil The Bag

Thursday 14 July: End of Term Disco



Fun games! **Yummy refreshments!**

Queen's 90th Birthday Bash!
(Harriers style!!)

Great prizes! **Harriers Got Talent: The Finals!**

Come and join us!
Wednesday 22nd June
3:15pm – 4:30pm

All the tradition of a summer fete, with the extra buzz of a birthday party!
On **WEDNESDAY 22nd JUNE**, we are holding a Birthday Bash to celebrate the Queen's 90th year.

Expect fun games run by classes, yummy refreshments, traditional fete stalls such as a tombola and raffle, and, as an **EXTRA** special feature, we will be holding the finals of the **KS2 Harriers Got Talent!**

The party will start at the end of the school day and you are most welcome to come and enjoy the stalls with your children.

Please look out for notices asking for tombola, raffle and cake donations in June!

To celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, we are asking the children to do **90 good deeds** (collectively!). These could include doing the dishes, litter picking, tidying up or any other helpful kind act. Each kindness will be added to our **90 good deeds** on a special display.

