



Harriers Banbury Academy Newsletter

an Aspirations Academy

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Principal's News

Dear Parents/Carers

We are now at the half way point through this school year - we can't believe how quickly it has flown by! The weather has become increasingly cold and frosty so please make sure your child is sent in with appropriate clothing and coats.



Last week our EYU pupils enjoyed a medieval day. The children enjoyed dressing up, dancing, entertaining and eating a medieval banquet.



Valentine's Disco

Don't forget this Thursday 9th February is our Valentine's Disco from 5 – 7pm. Please buy your tickets in the office.

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Valentine's Disco

Thursday 9th February 2017

5.00pm - 7.00pm

Tickets are £2.00 per child in advance from reception from Monday 6th Feb. On the door price £2.50 per child.
(Ticket price includes a bag of crisps and drink)

All Years welcome!
Key Stage 1 children to be accompanied by an adult.

Glow sticks (50p for 2), hot dogs (60p), biscuits (20p), crisps (20p), popcorn (20p) and drinks (20p)

STARs team

You will have seen that our STARs team sent a letter this week encouraging safer ways to travel to school. We continue to have parking issues around our site so the team will be active outside the school within the next few weeks. In the meantime please remember;

Must not park

- on people's driveway
- on zig zag lines
- on double yellow lines
- in front of garages
- blocking a drive
- blocking the school gates
- on paths



Please park

- further away from school
- away from Harriers View
- Horton Tennis Club

Or

- Walk, bus, scooter or cycle to school



Best Wishes

Mrs Agate, Associate Principal

A taste of big school

We hope the children that participated in the recent Banbury Academy taster sessions enjoyed their chance to experience life at secondary school.



Mental Health Week

This week is Children's Mental Health Week, and so to increase awareness and get children (and staff) thinking about each other more a challenge was issued...



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CHALLENGE!!!!



Your challenge if you choose to accept it is to.....

Perform a random act of kindness this week!

Write or draw what you have done, then cut out the light bulb and add it to the display outside the office!

This challenge is for all children AND staff at Harriers!

As we know our children and staff are exceptionally kind, we hope to get lots and lots of lightbulbs!

Safer Internet Day



Tuesday 7 February was Safer Internet Day globally, with the theme 'Be the change: unite for a better internet'. Children in their Aspirations Families discussed positive actions that they can take to stay safe on the Internet.

After School Clubs

we have some new clubs running this term including Card Trading, Art & Craft and KS2 Street Dance. See the full list on our website:

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#)

Sainsbury's vouchers

Harriers are once again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. Please save your vouchers and donate them to the school.

Run for Children's Hospital

The younger brother of one of our year 1 pupils is the poster boy for a charity fundraiser poster.



Support the Oxford Children's Hospital by taking part in a 5 mile run at Blenheim Palace.

Don't forget the Panto!

A reminder that panto money needs to be paid by Friday 3rd March. The whole school will enjoy the magical world of The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe on Tuesday 7th March.

Inspiring creativity



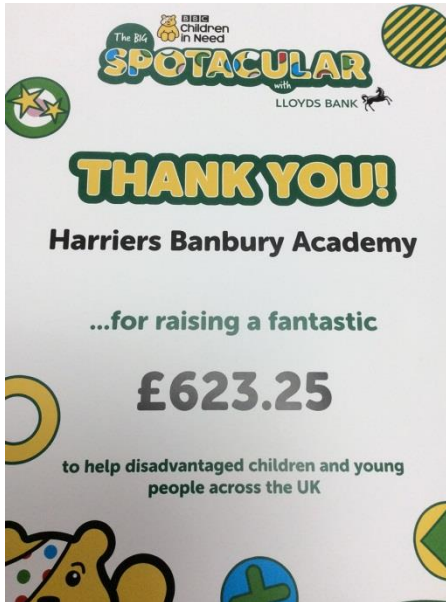
Year 6 have made some fabulous temples for their topic on Buddhism this term.



Parent Governor

Are you interested in being a Parent Governor?
If so, please call into the office for more information.

SPOTACULAR fundraising!



Playground Etiquette

Lots of young people use our playgrounds throughout the day. Please be mindful that children are present and use respectful language and appropriate behaviour at all times.



High Flyers

Don't forget to look at our '[High Flyers](#)' and '[Sense of Accomplishment](#)' pages on the website for children and classes that have excelled that week.

School Office Hours

The school office and reception is staffed between the hours of 8.30am and 4pm. Please try to time your visits and telephone calls during this period.

Martial Arts Workshop



Last week Years 1-6 had a visit from Banbury Free Style Martial Arts. Each class participated in a workshop where the children learnt some basic movements and the important dos and don'ts of martial arts. The children all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were all brilliant at shouting "Kiai!"

Dates for your Diary

Friday 10 February: Last day of Term 3

Holiday: Monday 13 February – Friday 17 February.

Monday 20 February – Friday 7 April: Term 4.

21 February: Aspirations Day – Heroes.

Wednesday 22 February: Trip to Warwick Castle for all Year 1 children; Year 5 Swimming.

Thursday 23 February: Year 5/6 Hockey.

Thursday 2 March: Year 3/4 Inclusion Festival; Year 6 trip to Woodstock.

Tuesday 7 March: Whole School Panto.



Another great way to see what we are doing at Harriers is to follow our [Facebook](#) page.