



# Harbury C.E. Primary School

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## Pilgrimage of the Cross of Nails

The last week has been an important time in our contribution to the community of Church Schools of which we are a part. This year is the centenary of the Diocese of Coventry and to celebrate, the Cross of Nails is making a pilgrimage around each of the 75 church schools within it.

Last Friday, we welcomed visitors from Long Itchington Primary School who preceded us in the journey. They joined us for a special service in the hall which was led by Reverend Craig. Our part was to reflect at the last hundred years and beyond of education in Harbury by tapping into the brilliant resources in the Heritage Room. We saw the transition to the school as we know it now, the advent of school uniform and evidence that once we did indeed have a functioning outdoor swimming pool. Some children shared readings with us too: Joe was a formidable headmaster, Molly shared what the children's contribution to World War One was (lots of blackberry picking), Lucy read as a teacher in the school whilst Matt regaled us with of all things, a ghost story! Mary Thompson, one of our Foundation Governors and former member of staff also led prayers for us. We ended the very lovely service with tea and cakes for our visitors.

On Monday, we invited an artist in to help us create a legacy from our time with the Cross of Nails. Every child in the school had time with her and put their own special stamp on the work. We look forward to displaying it.

And finally, on Tuesday morning John Stringer very kindly chauffeured the Cross of Nails and some children to Bishops Tachbrook in one of the village's E-Cars. We stayed on to enjoy a brilliant performance by their Year 4 children. They made us extremely welcome and our children, Cleo, Maisie, Lola, William, Oliver and Annabelle were brilliant ambassadors for us. Many thanks to Bob Sherman from HEI for organising this for us.

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## 'FORTNITE'—IMPORTANT INFORMATION

It has come to our attention that a great many of our children are spending much of their time away from school on the game, 'Fortnite'. For some children, it is causing difficulties with friendship and indeed with concentration in school and so we would urge parents to look at some of the links below to make sure you are properly informed about the nature of the content including the recommendation that it is not suitable for those below the age of 12.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/parents-guide-fortnite-battle-royale>

<http://www.facebook.com/stayingsafeonline>

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### CONGRATULATIONS

to our recent  
**Star Learners**  
of the week:

Devin Mann  
Fraser Skidmore  
Aliyah Barzendji  
Seren Robertson  
Bailey Sykes  
Mason Leigh  
Oliver Scott  
Sophia Gimson  
Lilah Capers  
Charlie Ross  
Will Gulliver  
Ben Wilson

### Our Role Models of the week:

Monty Johnson  
Benjamin Roles-Wain  
Joseph Murphy  
Lacey Griffin  
Evan Skidmore,  
Dylan Macdonald  
Annabelle Smart  
Lola Lewis  
James Crowder  
Alfie Halls  
Matt Gowland

And our  
**Most Respectful Class**  
of the week:  
Reception

## STEM WORKSHOPS

Our KS2 classes were very lucky to take part in a STEM workshop recently when graduate engineers from local firm Ricardo paid us a visit. After learning about the importance of crash testing in the automotive industry, the children were challenged to come up with combinations of materials to protect a large toy truck from impact. Working in small groups, the children also had a budget to manage as additional points were given to the team who spent the least on materials. Each team had an opportunity to crash test their creations, reflect and improve on their designs. It was a fantastic opportunity for everyone to get an insight into potential STEM careers whilst working on their collaboration and communication skills.

## Supertato and the Evil Pea!

Today started off with the tremendous excitement that always accompanies the Reception class assembly. In a hall packed with our children, many, many parents and grandparents and our special visitors from Harbury Pre-school and Banana Moon Nursery everyone sat enthralled for half an hour as our 30 Reception children took centre stage.

They all did a brilliant job having secretly learnt lots of lines and songs. We found a great deal out about the learning that they have been so busy doing. There was art work, a PE demonstration and some dancing to name just a few bits. Many congratulations to all the children and adults involved in making it so special.

## Family Earthworms Day

Please join us if you can on **Saturday 12th May 9.30 - 12.30** for a Family Earthworms workday. All are welcome—you don't need to be in Earthworms and you don't even need green fingers! We'll be tidying the school grounds, working on finishing up our new veg growing area, and painting benches. Parents with building skills would be especially welcome to help with a compost bin and raspberry supports. Please contact Wendy Crowder if you can come, so we can get an idea of how many jobs we can get done, buy in necessary supplies, and bake enough cakes—[wendy@crowder.org](mailto:wendy@crowder.org) or 07595 289 331. Also, if there are any parents who would be willing and able to help lay a couple of paths please do get in touch. Thank you and see you next Saturday!

## PTA - TESCO Blue Tokens

If you shop at TESCO in Southam, please could we ask you to pop your blue token into the Harbury School box. Sometimes the cashiers forget to give the tokens so please ask for them, they often give extra tokens if they have forgotten! Hopefully we will win and get money for new computers... Every little helps :)

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| <b>Class Attendance Figures</b>          | Reception | 97.5% |
| <b>Week Ending 4th May 2018</b>          | Year 1    | 96.6% |
| Good Attendance is above 97.5%           | Year 2    | 96.2% |
| <b>Well Done Reception &amp; Year 3</b>  | Year 3    | 97.7% |
| Any absence lower than 90% is classed as | Year 4    | 96.9% |
| Persistent absence                       | Year 5    | 95.5% |
|  | Year 6    | 95.7% |



**Commencing 14/05/2018**

**Monday:**

Pork Sausages with gravy (R)  
(V) Fusilli pasta with a rich tomato sauce (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Tuesday:**

Chinese style turkey meatballs (R)  
(V) Cheese and potato pie (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Wednesday:**

Roast Pork (R)  
Vegetable and lentil korma (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Thursday:**

Chicken Pie (R)  
(V) Veggie Toad in the hole (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Friday:**

Battered Fish Fillet (R)  
(V) 3 bean chilli with rice (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Commencing 21/05/2018**

**Monday:**

Organic Pork Meatballs (R)  
(V) Farmhouse omelette (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Tuesday:**

Mild & creamy chicken korma (R)  
(V) Veggie sausages  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Wednesday:**

Roast Beef with Gravy (R)  
Chinese Style Quorn with Noodles (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Thursday:**

Cheesy BBQ Bacon pasta (R)  
(V) Rustic Margherita Pizza (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

**Friday:**

Breaded Fish Fillet (R)  
(V) Roasted Vegetable Quiche (G)  
Jacket potato with cheese, cheese & beans  
or tuna mayonnaise

# Diary Dates

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|                               | Before School                | Morning                                   | Lunchtime            | Afternoon   | After School  |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|---|---|
| <b>Monday<br/>7th May</b>     | <b>MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY</b>  |   |                      |   |   |
| <b>Tuesday<br/>8th May</b>    |                              | Piano/Guitar Lessons                      | Piano/Guitar Lessons |   |   |
| <b>Wednesday<br/>9th May</b>  |                              | Piano/Guitar Lessons                      | Piano/Guitar Lessons |   | Fiery Feet 3:20pm - 4:45pm<br>Aspire sports after school club 3:20pm - 4:20pm                       |
| <b>Thursday<br/>10th May</b>  |                              | Steel Pan lessons<br><br>Woodwind lessons |                      |   |   |
| <b>Friday<br/>11th May</b>    | Code Club 8:15 - 9:00am      |   |                      | Celebration Assembly 2:30pm                                 | Earthworms Group C<br><br>Mr Perks Football Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm                                    |
| <b>Saturday<br/>12th May</b>  | <b>FAMILY EARTHWORMS DAY</b> |   |                      |   |   |
|                               |                              |   |                      |   |   |
| <b>Monday<br/>14th May</b>    | Y6 SATS WEEK                 | Year 5 visit to the Library               |                      | Violin lessons<br><br>Y5 Swimming at Southam Leisure Centre |   |
| <b>Tuesday<br/>15th May</b>   |                              | Piano/Guitar Lessons                      | Piano/Guitar Lessons |   |   |
| <b>Wednesday<br/>16th May</b> |                              | Piano/Guitar Lessons                      | Piano/Guitar Lessons |   | Fiery Feet 3:20pm - 4:45pm<br>Aspire sports after school club 3:20pm - 4:20pm                       |
| <b>Thursday<br/>17th May</b>  |                              | Steel Pan lessons<br><br>Woodwind lessons |                      |   |   |
| <b>Friday<br/>18th May</b>    | Code Club 8:15 - 9:00am      | Clare College Cambridge Trip              |                      | Celebration Assembly 2:30pm                                 | Earthworms Group A<br><br>Mr Perks Football Club 3:20pm - 4:20pm<br><br>PTA Film Night 3:20pm - 5pm |

# Other Dates

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|--|---|---|
| Monday 7th May   | - | May Bank Holiday  |
| Friday 11th May  | - | Earthworms Group C  |
| Saturday 12th May  | - | Family Earthworms Day   |
| Monday 14th May  | - | SATs Week - Year 6<br>Y5 Swimming 2pm   |
| Friday 18th May  | - | Clare College Cambridge Trip<br>Earthworms Group A<br>PTA Film Night 3:20pm         |
| Monday 21st May  | - | Bikeability (all week) - Year 6<br>Year 1 at the Library<br>Y5 Swimming 2pm         |
| Tuesday 22nd May   | - | Y3 & Y4 Roman Feast (pm)<br>Art Club<br>New Intake (Reception class) meeting 6:30pm |
| Friday 25th May  | - | Earthworms Group B  |
| <b>Break up for Summer Half Term: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May</b> |   |   |
| Monday 4th June  | - | All return to school<br>Y5 Swimming 2pm   |
| Friday 8th June  | - | Earthworms Group A  |
| Monday 11th June   | - | Y2 Swimming 2pm   |
| Tuesday 12th June  | - | Y5 & Y6 London Trip<br>Primary Athletics at Southam College                         |
| Friday 15th June   | - | Year 1 class assembly 10:10am<br>Earthworms Group B                                 |
| Monday 18th June   | - | Year 3 at the library<br>Reception Stay and Learn Session<br>Y2 Swimming 2pm        |
| Wednesday 20th June  | - | Reception Stay and Learn Sessions   |
| Friday 22nd June   | - | Reception Stay and Learn Session<br>Earthworms Group C                              |
| Monday 25th June   | - | Y4 at the library<br>Y2 Swimming 2pm  |
| Wednesday 27th June  | - | Transition Day (Y6 at Southam College)  |
| Thursday 28th June   | - | Y6 at Southam College Transition Day  |
| Friday 29th June   | - | KS1 Midsummer Festival<br>Earthworms Group A  |
| Monday 2nd July  | - | Y2 at the library<br>Y2 Swimming 2pm  |
| Tuesday 3rd July   | - | Reception Class at Ryton Pools  |
| Friday 6th July  | - | Sports Day 10am<br>Earthworms Group B   |
| Monday 9th July  | - | Y2 Swimming 2pm   |
| Thursday 12th July   | - | Year 6 production 1:45pm & 6:30pm   |
| Friday 13th July   | - | Reports<br>Earthworms ALL - End of Year Party<br>PTA Disco                          |
| Monday 16th July   | - | Y2 Swimming 2pm<br>Open Evening   |
| Tuesday 17th July  | - | Music Evening   |
| Wednesday 18th July  | - | Leaver's Service in Church 10am   |
| <b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>                             | - | <b>Break up for Summer Holidays:</b>  |
| <b>Friday 20th July</b>  | - | <b>Teacher Training Day</b>   |