

Term 1 (2026-2027) Newsletter Harlaxton

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Message from Mrs Edwards



Dear Parents / Carers,

At the end of Term 1, I would like to say a huge well done to all our children. The start of the academic year has been very busy indeed! The children have all been working hard and our new Reception children have settled in beautifully. Year 4's have started swimming, the majority of Year 5 / Year 6 had a fabulous time at PGL and, finally, it was wonderful to see so many of our parents at Harvest Festival this week.

A few reminders…children have a small locker in which to keep their belongings. Please make sure that their reading book, homework, water bottle and PE kit are kept in one bag and brought into school. This will then fit into their locker along with their coat.

As part of the new food standards and allergy safety, we may not have as many opportunities to offer sweet treats. We know that parents like to celebrate their child's birthday by bringing sweets into school but perhaps parents could consider alternatives such as stickers? Please remember if you bring in sweets or cakes for distribution, these are distributed at the end of the day and taken home to consume. These must be in labelled packets for a full ingredients list – nothing home made please!

Please remember that children have access to fresh drinking water throughout the day. No juice in school except at lunchtime.

Finally, schools are asked to promote healthy lunchboxes. Please see this information for some fabulous ideas of how to pack a healthy lunch for your child.

Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS

Also, remember to place your school lunch orders for next term, the cut-off date for orders for the first week back will be: **Tuesday 27th October 2026 @ 9 am.** Full menus up until Christmas are on the school website. Our Christmas lunch date is 18th December.

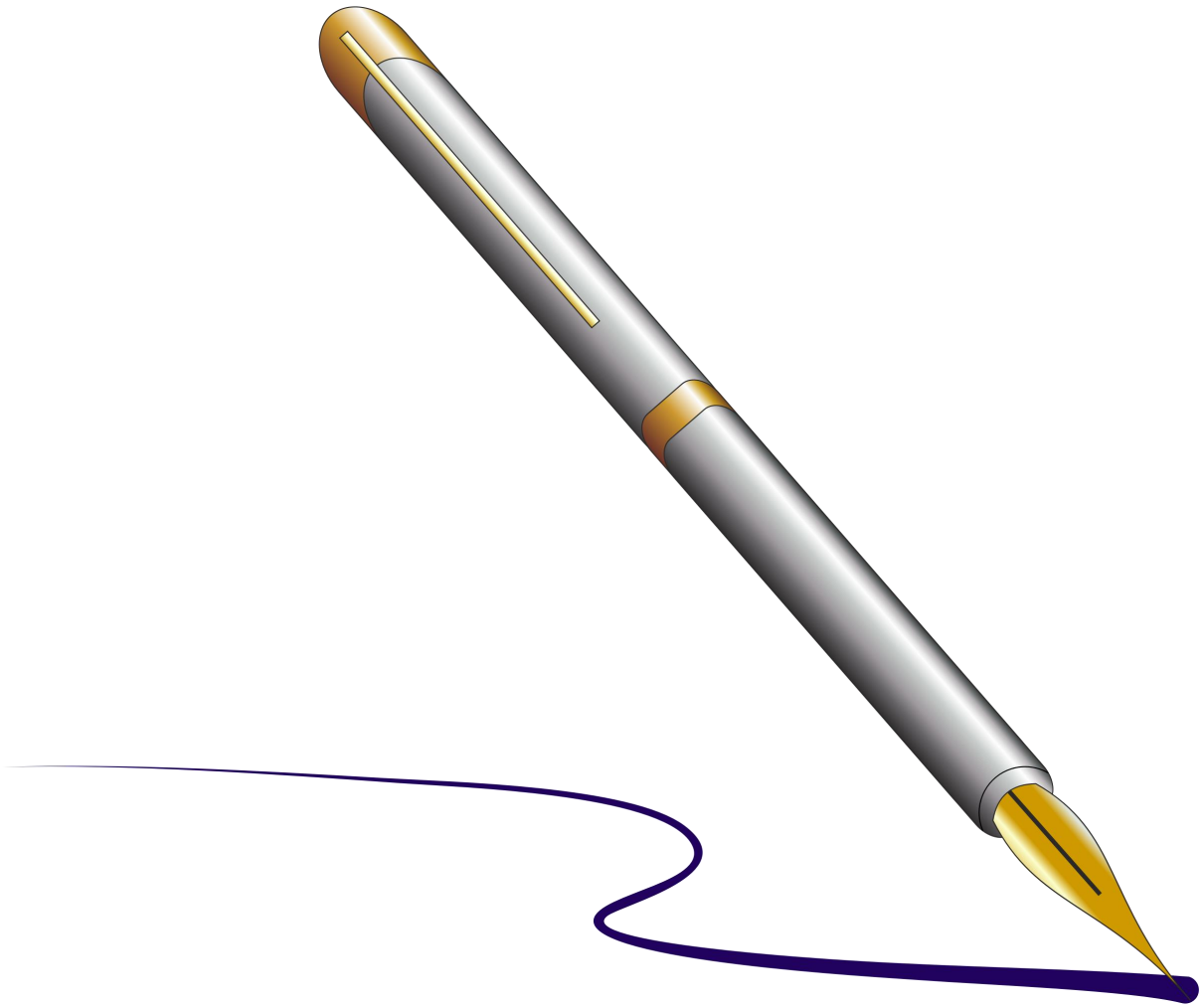
Enjoy your holiday everybody and I look forward to seeing all the children when we return on Monday 2nd November.

Kind regards,

Mrs Edwards

Executive Head Teacher

Dates for your diary



Monday 2nd November- Start of Term 2. Bikeability Yr 5

Tuesday 3rd November- Road Safety Training Yrs 1,3 and 4. Firefighter Visit to EYFS

Wednesday 4th November - Yrs 1& 2 Guy Fawkes Workshop AT Harlaxton School.

Thursday 12th November - Yrs 3& 4 Tag Rugby Competition

Wednesday 18th November - Badminton Festival at KGGS (yrs 2-6)

Thursday 19th November – KS2 Cheerleading Event

Friday 27th November- Flu 'Mop-up' Clinic

Monday 30th November- Greek Day Yrs 5& 6 in School

Tuesday 1st December – Parents' Evening 1

Wednesday 2nd December- Parents' Evening 2

Friday 4th December - Last swimming session for Year 4

Tuesday 8th December- Dodgeball Tournament Yrs 5&6. Christmas Carols in Church yrs 3-6 (2:30pm)

Wednesday 9th December – Rocksteady Christmas Concert. Choir at Belvoir Castle

Thursday 15th December- Nativity Rec, Yrs 1&2 (2pm pre-performance drinks. 2:30pm Performance)

Wednesday 16th December- Christmas Dinner Day. 2nd Nativity (9am pre-performance drinks. 9:30 Performance)

Friday 18th December- End of Term

Attendance Term 1



Attendance percentage from 4th September 2026 to 23rd October 2026

Reception= 98.7%

Year 1= 96.0%

Year 2= 99.0 %

Year 3= 98.9%

Year4= 97.7%

Year5= 96.3%

Year 6= 95.4 %

A whole school total of **97.21%** against a target of 97%

Term 2 Clubs

Clubs

Clubs from Term 1 shall continue next Term. If your child isn't already on the list from Term 1 and would like to join any of the below listed clubs, please email the school office: enquiries@harlaxton.lincs.sch.uk. Clubs are charged at £5 per session.

- **Monday Comic Book Club (10 limit) Miss Burch Years 1, 2, 3 & 4**
- **Wednesday Netball (20 limit) Christine Years 3, 4, 5 & 6**
- **Thursday Art and DT club (10 limit) Mrs Wellbourne Years 5 & 6**
- **Friday Running club (15 limit) Mrs Harper Years 5 & 6 Start**

Lunch times clubs are free to attend and this term are as follows:

- **Monday Crafts Club in the Wellbeing Hub Key Stage 2**
- **Tuesday 11+ (starts after half term) Year 5 with Mrs Edwards**
- **Wednesday Crafts club in the Wellbeing Hub Reception and Key Stage 1**
- **Thursday Choir Years 2-6 with Mrs Edwards**

Clubs will start w/c 2nd November 2026

After School Clubs 3:30 pm- 4:30 pm

School Council 2026-2027

We are very proud and excited to announce this year's School Councillors. They have already had several meetings to discuss some fundraising ideas to support our sponsored child, Diba. More information will follow in the new term.

E-Safety News



For Parents and Carers – Find the Fake

How good are you and your children at spotting misinformation?

Internet Matters' free **Find the Fake** activity is designed for families to try together. It's a simple way to start conversations about whether something online can be trusted and what children can do before believing or sharing it.

Why not try it together and see who gets the highest score?

Link: **Find the Fake – Internet Matters**

LCC Advert: Childminding as a Career?



Birthday Treats in School



One of our long-standing and much-loved school traditions is for children to bring in a small treat to share with their classmates on their birthday.

Please be mindful that some of our children have allergies or dietary requirements and may not be able to eat the treats brought into school. To help keep all children safe and included, we ask that:

- Only **pre-packaged food items** are brought into school.
- All food items must have a **full list of ingredients** clearly displayed.

- **Homemade items cannot be accepted.**
- **No products containing nuts** should be brought into school.

As an alternative to sweet treats, you may wish to consider sending in small party favours such as stickers, novelty rubbers, pencils, or small toys.

Please note that any food treats brought into school will be distributed at the **end of the school day**. It is then up to parents and carers to decide whether their child consumes the item.

Some parents prefer to provide the school with a supply of suitable treats for their child to receive on special occasions. We are happy to support this arrangement if it is preferred.

Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe and inclusive environment for all children.

Update from the PTA



Our first event of the school year, the Spooky Disco, was a great success, raising £460! The children looked amazing in all their costumes and we loved that parents also added to their outfits - more of that next year please!

The PTA will be meeting on Wednesday November 18th at The Gregory Arms in Harlaxton at 7:30pm. We would love to see you there - our team URGENTLY needs new faces to keep the PTA going and keep running events like the disco.

If you want to be added to class WhatsApp groups email the PTA and we can sort that harlaxtonpta@gmail.com

Have a great Half Term!

Half Term Pop up Lego Shop . Click to view!



Class pages



Check out all the fabulous learning in our classrooms by clicking on the following link.

[Class Pages | Harlaxton Church of England Primary School]

Update from the House Captains



Our newly appointed House Captains have been busy planning some wonderful ideas with Mrs. Pacey, Mrs. Payne for next half term. They also helped during the school's open day by escorting prospective parents around the school and giving them the 'tour'. All parents commented on how respectful, polite and knowledgeable the children were. They were super ambassadors for the school.

Sporting News



We entered two teams of year 5 and 6 children in the Mixed Football Tournament. The children had a great time and did the school proud, with on our teams finishing in second place.

Harvest Festival



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