



19th April 2024

Summer Term

Our April Value is Forgiveness

Welcome back!!

On behalf of myself, all staff and Governors, we would like to welcome all our children back to school for the summer term. I hope you have all enjoyed time as a family over Easter. Teachers have planned an exciting term of learning focusing on activities that are enriching and stimulating and enabling each child to flourish.

Values

Our new value this month is forgiveness. We will be discussing what forgiveness means and why it is an important value. We will explore how hard it is to say sorry, seek forgiveness and find the strength to forgive others. Please let us know if your child shows an understanding of this value outside of school.

School Uniform

We would like to think that the warmer weather will be on its way soon so please be reminded of the Summer school uniform:

Boys – Dark grey smart, tailored school shorts, trousers may still be worn, white shirt or polo shirt, grey or black socks and black school shoes with a black sole.

Girls - Grey pinafore or skirt or pale blue and white checked dress, white socks, sensible black school shoes (no open toed sandals) Thank you for your help and support with this matter. We will continue to encourage our children to keep smart and wear their uniforms with pride.

Homework and Parent forum meeting Friday 26th April 9am – 10am

Thank you to everyone who responded to our parent/carer survey on homework. We have read all the responses and are discussing how we can further improve homework to have the best possible impact for the children, and how we can support families.

Our next parent forum meeting is on Friday 26th April 9am-10am. The primary remit of this meeting will be to discuss homework with families. It would be great if as many of you as possible could attend.

In light of this discussion, we will not be sending home a new Maths homework grid this week. Please work with your child to focus on reading regularly and practising their spellings. We will inform you after the parent forum about our next steps with homework.



Inspiring Music

Music Centres offer a chance for musicians of all ages and abilities to play and learn together in an informal and fun setting. They offer varied music-making opportunities, including string, brass, jazz, and pop ensembles. As well as ukuleles, rock, junior, and concert bands. And they are a great stepping stone if you are looking to go on and perform with a local group, orchestra or collective. Please see the attached flyer for further information.



Guinea Pigs

We have heard via our school council that the children would like to have a school pet. We will be welcoming two guinea pigs to Harlington Lower School next Monday. They will be named by the school council.

They will be housed in Willow Class and Mrs Kean will be looking after them. There will be opportunities for children who wish to stroke and/or look after the guinea pigs. However, please rest assured that no child will have to do this if they don't want to, or if they have allergies.

We have risk assessments in place to ensure that both the children and the guinea pigs are happy and safe. These are available to view in school on request.

We hope you are as excited as us about the new additions to our school!

Harlington Village Pre School & Wrap Around Care

Harlington Village Pre School & Wrap Around Care is situated behind Harlington Lower School and offers excellent care and education for children in their two academic school years before starting Lower School.

We are now taking session requests for children who were born between 01/09/2020 – 31/08/2022 and would like to attend Harlington Village Pre School from September 2024. If you would like a session request form, please contact Becki at staff@harlingtonvillagepreschool.org.uk with your child's name and date of birth. All completed forms must be received by Monday 6th May 2024 for consideration.

For more information, please visit our website

www.harlingtonvillagepreschool.org.uk. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at staff@harlingtonvillagepreschool.org.uk

Harlington Village Pre School & Wrap Around Care

Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator – Term Time Only.

The successful applicant will be expected to work 20 hours per week (Tuesday 8:45-3:15, Wednesday 8:45-3:15, Thursday 8:30-3:30) the successful applicant will be experienced in working with children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and SENCo trained. We would be willing to consider an exceptional applicant who is passionate about working towards relevant SEND qualifications. A Level 3 qualification in Childcare (or equivalent) is a requirement.

Childcare Assistant – Term Time Only. The successful applicant will be expected to work 17.5 hours per week between the hours of 7:30am and 6pm. We are a growing team who strive for excellence, and we are looking to appoint a member of staff, who is experienced in working with children with a Level 3 qualification in Childcare.

Full details of the roles and how to apply can be found on our website

<https://www.harlingtonvillagepreschool.org.uk/about-us/vacancies>

Attachments

Inspiring Music

Water Safety Letter

Summer Term Diary Dates