

# HARRIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PRESCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Week ending 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

Dear Families,

This week we continued our learning about polar animals, focusing on the Arctic region. The children enjoyed discovering which animals live there and learning a little about the Inuit people and how igloos are built.

We shared the story *The Curious Polar Bear*, which sparked lots of discussion and curiosity about life in icy environments. It introduced us to new vocabulary and aspects of the Arctic including the ocean, icebergs, the Northern Lights as well as Arctic animals. It is also a rhyming text which helps us with our phonological awareness.

In our creative activities, the children used white, blue, and silver materials with a variety of textures to cut and stick icy collages. We also created many beautiful polar animal paintings, which are now proudly displayed in the classroom.

Our maths learning included the “Feed the Penguin” subitising game, where children counted fish and recognised quantities.

Outdoors, the children took part in a polar animal scavenger hunt, searching for hidden animal images and learning the names of animals from different polar regions. To support language and phonological awareness, we looked at polar animal pictures and clapped the syllables in each animal’s name.

In PE, we continued developing our animal-themed dance routine, moving to the beat for eight counts as a snake, monkey, parrot, tiger, elephant, and zebra. The children showed great enthusiasm and rhythm. It has been a busy and exciting week full of creativity, movement, and learning.

Happy weekend! The Pre-School Team ☺

### Things to Remember:

- Please remember to pre-order your child's school dinner.

**\*\*CHANGE TO PE SESSION\*\***

**PE will take place on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January for 1 week only, instead of Thursday.**



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