



Harpenden Academy
Education for a changing world

Pupil Voice Autumn Term (1)

The chair and vice chair of the Governors came in to school to find out how the children were getting on.

They wanted to find out the children's thoughts now that they had been in school for half term a term.

This is what they found out!





What are your memories of Reception?

We had a dirty corner
where we could play,
get dirty and our
parents didn't mind

We did really fun
things

We had fun

We learnt new things
every day and we
played more





What are you looking forward to in the next year?

- The construction area and taking parts in chess and karate club (yr1)
- I love Science and doing lots of new and different experiments (yr 2)
- I like playing more sport...I'm not great at it but I enjoy it. (yr2)
- Art...I like drawing about the Stone and Iron Age.(yr3)
- Forest school and trips (yr3)
- Writing play scripts and stories (yr4)
- Learning new strokes in swimming (yr4)
- Going on school trips (yr4)
- We like having surprise trips to go on (yr5)
- Science is really awesome! (yr 5)
- The maths books set out and explain the maths so well it helps you solve the problems (yr5)
- Looking forward to SATs and more trips (yr6)
- More Science! (yr6)





What do you love about your new class?

- Making bread in the Pudding Lane Bakery (yr1)
- Learning lots of maths (yr1)
- Exploring (yr1)
- Lots of time in the creative area (yr1)
- I like where we sit-our teacher has chosen us good seats as I can concentrate where I sit (yr2)
- If we listen we do well (yr2)
- I like having other people come into our class and help us learn things (yr2)
- Mr teacher is really good at PE. We always do new games and I love sport (yr3)
- My brother is next door to me now so that's nice (yr4)
- The work is getting harder and harder (yr4)
- New teachers and the new playground (yr4)
- Going on Fellowship Afloat as it built up team skills (yr5)
- Everyone's friendships have developed more since we have been on Fellowship Afloat (yr5)
- Our Teacher is a really great teacher. She explains things carefully and checks up on us to see if we are ok (yr5)
- Well organised good teaching (yr6)
- Learning more maths (yr6)





Do you have any worries or concerns about the year ahead?

- We have Buddies which helps if we have worries (yr1)
- Computing is quite hard but we know how to keep safe (yr2)
- I find English quite hard (yr2)
- I think that maths might get a bit harder, I like maths but I cant really get it right – the teacher help me though (yr3)
- I find holding my pencil hard...I think I might need a grip (yr3)
- No worries I am really enjoying school and being challenged in my learning (yr4)
- I am excited about year 5- it feels mysterious (yr5)
- No worries about the year ahead (yr6)





How can grown ups best help you ?

Teachers and TAs

- Help in our learning by coming around and help us (yr1)
- They help me with my spelling (yr1)
- They mark our work- pink work means well done (yr2)
- They tell us how to work it out (yr2)
- I'm more enthusiastic about my writing as my teacher helps me with my plan (yr2)
- They explain it more (yr3)
- Wall displays can help us too if we get stuck like the 6 B's (yr3)
- When we find things tricky the teachers help us (yr4)
- When we get stuck in maths both the teachers and TAs explain it to us (yr4)
- They check your work and correct your mistakes (yr5)
- I wish we could have more school trips as we learn a lot on school trips(yr5)
- If you are sad you can talk to them and they help you (yr5)
- They go over work the next day if you struggled with a subject so you understand it better (yr6)

Parents

- They can help by going on trips and helping with home learning and with Sid the sloth experiments (yr1)
- They can be like the teachers (yr2)
- They can help with reading and spellings and home learning (yr3)
- They can teach us how to make things and help with our home learning. I like home learning as I can learn more things (yr4)
- They can help if we are stuck on homework (yr5)
- They can come in to school and help with reading (yr5)
- They can come and gives us talks about things and places they have lived in (yr6)

