



Dear Parents/Carers and Families

There's only one way to start this week's newsletter.....Wow! What a fantastic effort everyone made to celebrate World Book Day yesterday! There were some fabulous costumes worn by pupils and staff alike. A big thank you to all our families and also to the staff for supporting the day, we had a lovely time celebrating our love of reading. Early Years even had a special visit from local author, Claire Capper.

The PTA Winner bar event was also a great success. In total 597 bars were sold, with 30 lucky winner and raising a profit of approximately £500. Thank you everyone for your support and a huge thank you to our fabulous PTA ladies for giving up their time to organize the event.



A reminder that our **Scholastic Book Fair** starts today and runs until next Wednesday 13th March. Please refer to the communication sent earlier today for confirmation regarding arrangements and timings.

Science Week 2024

Next week we will be celebrating our annual Science Week at Hartford Primary. We are looking forward to welcoming lots of visitors from our local community into our school. The week is a fabulous opportunity to enhance our science curriculum and enables our children to learn more about a wealth of STEM careers and participate in a range of workshops. We are extremely grateful to our parents who are giving up their time to help and support us with what we know will be a wonderful week of science! This year we are also running a 'Science Selfie'competition which is open to all the children in school. Please see the attached powerpoint for more information on this competition.

Year 5 Visit to Jodrell Bank

On Tuesday this week our Year 5 children visited Jodrell Bank to support their current science topic of Earth and Space. The children had a fantastic time and I'm proud to report they represented Hartford Primary impeccably. I'd like to thank Miss Shepherd and the Year 5 team for organising this amazing opportunity for our children.

Class Photographs Monday 25th March

On Monday 25th March Academy Photography will be in school to take class photographs. A separate communication will follow in due course with full details of how the day will be arranged to ensure all class are included.

Sporting Update from Mr Cairns

Gymnastics – As you will know from last week's newsletter the gymnastics team went to Cheshire Gymnastics for a competition on 29th February. I just wanted to add a few words about the event: The children had a wonderful morning, working with other schools on their gymnastics, performing a vault and their chosen routine. They also got to see Alisha Evanson perform ten tumbling routines. Alisha is the gold medalist at her age group and the children were in awe of her skills. All the children were fantastic, and the Year 5/6 team managed to win their event and will go to the County Final on Wednesday 13th March. I'd like to thank Mrs Lovatt for helping the children to prepare for the event.

Basketball – The Year 6 basketball team went to the Vale Royal Partnership Finals in a confident mood on Monday after previously winning the Cluster Final. Their passing and movement skills were so strong, and the shooting accuracy was so high that they won every game and will now go to the County Final on Monday 18th March. Congratulations Abbie, Bea, Izzy, Lucas, Max F, and Olivia.

Netball - The netball team went to the Partnership Final and played against Cuddington, St. Bede's, Winsford High Street and Kingsmead. The team were a joy to watch, winning 7-0, 9-0, 12-0 and 14-1 to reach the County Final on Wednesday 20th March. Congratulations Abbie, Bea, Izzy, Lucas, Max F, Olivia, and Tilly. I'd like to thank Lauren Watson for her coaching and support.

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel

We will be taking part in this event from 11th March to 22nd March. Every day the Year 6 School Sport Organising Crew will be asking children how they got to school. We score points for every child who walks, scoots or cycles to school on that day. If we get a high number of points, we will be entered into a draw to win exciting prizes for the school. It will also improve the quality of air around the school by reducing pollution and give the children extra exercise.

If your family don't live in the village, they can still take part. If you park further away from school than usual and walk, scoot or cycle to school this still counts to the total. Thank you in advance for your support with this event.

PE Kit and Lost Property

The children all look so smart in their PE kit now and are bringing in hair bobbles and tape for their earrings. We now want to make sure that every coat, jumper, hoodie, and cardigan has a name in it to reduce our growing pile of lost property.

In PE next week, Mr. Cairns will be checking these items of clothing for every child and adding names to labels if they are not there. Please can all parents help with this by checking all clothing has a name this weekend. Thank you to all parents for your support with this.

Parents' Evenings

I'd like to share the dates of our next round of Parents' Evenings so that you can pop a note in your diaries. Appointments will be held week commencing 29th April (29th April – 2nd May) with a mixture of afternoon and evening appointments on offer as usual. Bookings will be via School Spider as normal, and we will communicate when these will be open nearer the time. In the meantime, if you need a reminder of your School Spider login details or are new to school and don't have one, please contact the office team who will be happy to help you.

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Performing Stars Easter Holiday Club

This is a day of high energy performance games and activities based on the theme of time. It will develop performance skills and self confidence in a fun, action packed day! The day is for children aged 7 - 11 and is on Tuesday 2nd April at St John's Church Centre, Hartford from 9am to 3pm and costs £35. Please see the attached flyer.

Superstars Easter Holiday Clubs – St Wilfred's Primary School

Superstars are running holiday clubs from across the North-West over Easter offering Multi Sports, Football and Dance from 8am – 4.30pm with the option of a late pick up until 6pm.

To book and pay please follow this links: Paid Camp- <u>https://superstars.classforkids.io/camp/733</u> Free HAF Club (For those children entitled to Free School Meals) - <u>https://superstars.classforkids.io/camp/762</u>

FACE Family Advice Sessions

Please find attached the March newsletter from FACE Family Advice Service and some information regarding upcoming training sessions.

Hope & Beams Charity – A Request for Help

Hopes & Beams is a local charity which supports children and young adults with physical and emotional needs. It also runs a community restaurant called POPPY's and supports Alzheimer's, Dementia and Parkinsons groups.

They need the help of the local community to get enough votes to be the headline charity for the CREWE WACKY RACES to be held in July. Please see the attached poster for further information of how you can help by casting your vote of support.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, Mum's in particular! The staff and I will see you on Monday.

Warm regards

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