



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL
HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
10th September 2021



Dear Parents/Carers and Families

A very warm welcome back to all our children and families especially our 53 new Early Years children and our 12 new In Year Transfers joining us throughout school. I hope you all had a lovely break over the Summer and are looking forward to the next stage of your time here at Hartford Primary School. I'd also like to extend a welcome to our new staff members, teachers: Mrs Chapman, Miss Crouch and Mr Jones, teaching assistants: Miss Deakin, Miss Shepherd and Mrs Wishart-Terry.

The start of term has felt much more normal and myself and my team have really appreciated the 'joy of the ordinary'. This has been particularly evident at lunchtime. The kitchen staff have been delighted to welcome the children back to face to face service for the **first time since March 2020**. A huge thank you to Karen and her team, Emma, Kelly, Maria, and Stacey for their efforts. Lunchtimes have been a delight, myself and Mrs Cade have thoroughly enjoyed chatting to the children as they come in for lunch and the children themselves have behaved beautifully. It was a special pleasure to help the Early Years children yesterday as they stayed for lunch for the first time. I'm looking forward to Early Years staying for full days starting next week.

Further welcomes are due also to Mr Hadfield, who returned yesterday and commenced his Forest School sessions with Year 4 and also to Miss Philippou who commenced her Ukulele lessons with Year 5. The Year 5 team have commented how fantastic the children were during their first lesson.

Mrs Cade has arranged for the teaching staff from Year 1 to Year 6 to hold their annual 'Meet the Teacher' sessions. This year these will be via Zoom, and they will allow you to 'meet' your child's new teacher and find out more about the year ahead. The links for the meetings are detailed below. The PowerPoint presentation used during the meetings will be emailed out to parents separately.

Topic: Year 1 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 16, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81787566061?pwd=WUIIZORDclJYM3NHZmR0dUVFcXorUT09>

Meeting ID: 817 8756 6061

Passcode: z5iBb0

Topic: Year 2 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 14, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82691674357?pwd=SVN3ZkZkZmdyYUVESDRVeW8vb0liZz09>

Meeting ID: 826 9167 4357

Passcode: c1HDnV

Topic: Year 3 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 14, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83103561920?pwd=ZkFTVnlyMVFPmJmYeUFudFlhcVZoZz09>

Meeting ID: 831 0356 1920

Passcode: xNE38i

Topic: Year 4 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 16, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87663380032?pwd=dUY2WGJySUVXS1lwUXVXTkNzaUljdz09>

Meeting ID: 876 6338 0032

Passcode: hA4pdi

Topic: Year 5 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 13, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81868034901?pwd=T0tPSDUyQTZTM0JWTzdURnE0eGxRQT09>

Meeting ID: 818 6803 4901

Passcode: 5uV8AG

Topic: Year 6 Meet the Teacher - Time: Sep 13, 2021 05:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88197170003?pwd=ZVBtQzR4cWQ0b1NvYUpYTW1UdjdCUT09>

Meeting ID: 881 9717 0003

Passcode: dPTf99

PTA News

Following our PTA meeting this week, the difficult decision has been taken to postpone Hartfest until next Summer. We felt that this was the most appropriate course of action following reports of spikes of Covid infections after large gatherings and with us only just returning to a more normal school routine. I trust you will support us in this decision and we very much hope to welcome you all to Hartfest Summer 22.

Prospective Early Years 2022 Parents Open Afternoons – Monday 27th September and Thursday 14th October at 2pm

We've set our dates to invite prospective Early Years 2022 parents to visit school. More information is available on our website and if you know of anyone interested in arranging to attend one of the afternoons, please ask them to contact the office on 01606 74164 to book their place. The sessions will last about an hour and a half and will include a tour of the school with our pupil ambassadors, the opportunity to meet our Early Years and Senior Leadership Teams, a visit to our new Early Years Outdoor Play Area. The latter has been a huge success not only with our new children but also with our teaching team who have commented that it has transformed the way they teach the children.

Sports Flyers

Please find attached two flyers relating to local Rugby and Football teams who are welcoming new players.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards



Miss M Fairweather

Headteacher