

# Hartford Primary School

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Wednesday 05<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents and Families,

A very warm welcome back to the new school year – lovely to see everyone yesterday! A particularly warm welcome to our 59 new children and their families who join us in Early Years and to the 11 children who have joined us in other year groups in school. I hope the next few weeks go smoothly for all our new starters and I'd like to reassure you that our children and staff will be doing their utmost to help your child settle in. I would also like to welcome our new members of staff to school, Mrs Wheeler teaching in Year 5, Mrs Bennion teaching in Year 6 and Mrs Baynes supporting in Early Years. Our Meet the Teacher meetings are this evening at 3.30pm and 5.30pm and same tomorrow. Please see the grid below for classes.

<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 3.30pm and 5.30pm</b>	<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September 3.30pm and 5.30pm</b>
6CL	6JB
5SH	5JW
4MH	4FD
3NR	3LM
2NB	2WG
1LM	1NC

<b>Our classes this year are as follows:</b>	
EYJD Mrs Dodd	EYRG Mrs Richardson and Mrs Gatiss
1LM Mrs Marzolo	1NC Miss Cookson
2NB Mrs Birtwistle	2WG Miss Wheeler and Mrs Graham
3LM Miss Mullins	3NR Mrs Nuttall and Mrs Rowland
4FD Miss Dryhurst	4MH Mr Harris
5SH Mrs Hartill	5JW Mrs Wheeler
6CL Mrs Cade and Mrs Lewis	6JB Mrs Bennion
The children will also be taught PE by Mr Cairns and Modern Foreign Languages by Mrs Gatiss.	

If you are new to school you will have seen that school leaders safeguard the children coming into and out of school in the morning and the afternoon, often supported by Mr Matt our Site Maintenance Officer and members of our office team. The front gate (unlocked at 08.45am and locked again at 09.00am) is often very busy with cars attending the Big Kids car park and therefore the member of staff on the crossing is there to make sure the children can cross safely. The back gate has pedestrian access only but can still be very busy. Please consider safety of all the children when parking around the school grounds – we often receive complaints for neighbours about parking and therefore respectfully request that all vehicles are parked considerately in and around our school neighbourhood. Thanks in advance. Mel (Mum of Harry in Year 5) volunteers to man the staff car park each morning in all weathers – if you use the front gate you will get to know her!

## **PTA AGM**

All families are automatically members of our PTA. Our PTA AGM takes place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 6.00pm in school where we will be electing a new committee to take over from Lisa, Jo, Terri, Fiona and Adriana.

## Dates for the academic year 2018-2019

Please see document attached.

## Attachments

Please find attached a separate letter from myself, and the Chair of Governors.

## Forest School

We are delighted to confirm that after a year hosting Forest School taster days last year that these will now take place every Friday with Mr Hadfield in our Forest School area at the bottom of the field, left of the tyres. Could you please send your child into school that day with an appropriate (dependant on the weather) change of clothes, including a waterproof coat and footwear (old trainers/wellies) for their session.

## Sporting update from Mr Cairns

Football – The Year 5/6 boys had two tournaments to finish the year. They played very well in both, coming very close to victory in both. The first tournament ended in defeat on penalties in the final and the World Cup tournament at Leftwich Primary School ended with a 1-0 defeat in the semi-finals.

Dodgeball – 2 teams went to the dodgeball tournament at Warrington and Vale Royal College. They showed excellent levels of determination and sportsmanship and were a credit to the school, finishing fifth overall.

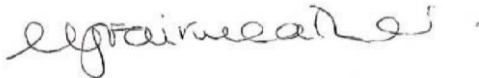
Orienteering – 27 children from Year 5/6 finished sports day then headed straight off to Marbury Park for orienteering. They had a fantastic time running round the grounds finding all the points. Well done to all who took part.

National School Sports Week – All the activities in NSSW were non-competitive. The aim was to get as many children as possible involved in new sports and have a great time. Luckily the weather was kind and all but one event took place. We had a Year 3/4 children on a Try-It Challenge, Year 2 children at Multiskills, Y5/6 children play tri-golf at Vale Royal Abbey Golf Club and the rounders team won all their matches at Leftwich High School. Finally, Year 3/4 children went to Moss Farm for a very hot tag rugby Megafest. The B team played very well, improving in every game, and the A team won all their matches in a fantastic performance.

Quadkids – Every child in Year 3/4 went to Hartford High School for Quadkids. They ran 600m, sprinted 75m, threw the Howler and did the long jump. It was a very hot day but the children all tried their best and had a great time.

Thank You – Mr Cairns would like to say a big thank you to all the parents who helped at sporting events last year. Hartford took part in a huge amount of sporting events, they would not happen without parental support.

Kind regards



Miss M Fairweather  
Headteacher