



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL
EARLY YEARS NEWSLETTER
Friday 18th September 2020



They have all been wonderful!

We've had a great week! The children have taken to the full days very well. We can see some of them tiring during the afternoon, but a break for snack helps to boost the energy levels. The sunshine has allowed us to make the most of our outdoor area this week. If we have any hot days left this year, please send in a sun hat or cap and make sure they have some sun cream on too.

Our learning this week

We have continued with our phonics work this week with the phonemes (sounds) **t**, **p** and **i** and revisited our sounds **s** and **a** from last week. We looked at the different words we could make with our new sounds and how to blend the sounds together. The children have also worked really hard on how to write the letters which make these sounds, focusing on how to correctly form each letter.

In our maths lessons we have looked at sorting. The children have worked together to identify the attributes of different objects and how to group things based on their different features. We have had fun looking at the different ways we could do this using a range of teddy bears.

We have continued using our Numicon (a maths resource used to help with number) and started to order the pieces, looking at how the pieces increase in size.

Well done to everyone for remembering to come in P.E kits this week! The children did their warm up on our Golden Mile track. They worked on dribbling a ball with their hands and then feet which progressed into a fun game.

With Mrs Gatiss, the children learnt how to say good morning and goodnight in Spanish and played a corners game.

Tapestry

At Hartford Primary we use an online learning journal called Tapestry to track children's progress. You will be able to access this journal at home and see some of the exciting things your children are getting up to. When we start to send homework home, you will be asked to add this your child's account so that they can share it at with everyone at school during our up and coming 'Show and Tell' sessions.

Next week you will all receive an email asking you to activate your account. This email is time sensitive so please respond as soon as you receive it.

Red books

We're having a lovely time learning all about you and your children when we talk to them about their red books. Even the quietest of children come out of their shell when talking about a photo of a loved one!

Lunches

Next week it will be week 2 on the lunch menu. The children use their own water bottles at lunch time so please continue to send them in (making sure they are named). We will refill any empty bottles so please don't be alarmed if your child's bottle comes back looking like they haven't had a drink. We emptied all the bottles at lunch time on the hot days this week, refilling them with fresh, cold water as the bottles had become a little warm.

Snack Time

We are now receiving free fruit in EY which will be available each day so there is no need to send snack in with your child unless you wish to do so (please remember we are a nut and kiwi-free school so please be thoughtful when purchasing snacks items).

Face Masks

Thank you to everyone for wearing a face mask when dropping off and collecting. Please bear with us as it can make it tricky to identify you at the end of the day and we will only release the children if we are certain it's you!

We had a good discussion and the children decided they preferred our new blue masks rather than the sci-fi visors we tried on the first day. In their own words, 'They look better because they match your top.'

Contacting us

Unfortunately, we are not able to invite you in to school under the current Covid restrictions but you can email us at earlyyears@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk if you have any issues or queries and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Alternatively you can contact the office at admin@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Richardson Mrs Gillett Mrs Baynes Mrs Eccles