



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL  
HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
16<sup>th</sup> February 2024



Dear Parents/Carers and Families,

It's the last week of term and I can't quite believe we are heading into Spring! As always, it's been another jam-packed week of activity with lots going on; read on to see what we've been up to.

#### **Year 4 Visit to The Deva Centre**

On Thursday, our Year 4 children went over to Chester to visit the Deva Centre. Whilst there, the children got to see first-hand evidence of Ancient Roman life and customs; we also got to take part in an exclusive walking tour that isn't open to the general public. It was a very interesting and informative day, with lots of exciting things to learn. A huge thank you to the Year 4 staff who accompanied the trip, and to our office staff for facilitating it.

#### **Year 6 Visit to Tatton Park**

On Wednesday and Thursday, our Year 6 classes went across to Tatton Park to participate in a themed Victorian Day. The children got to tour the Mansion and see the contrast between the beautiful state rooms and the stark servants' quarters. They experienced life as a Victorian servant through several hands-on activities in an effort to impress the family and gain a position as part of the serving staff. Both visits were brilliant, with the children really enjoying getting stuck into the immersive experience. Thanks to all the accompanying staff for their help on the day, and once again to our office team for their support.

#### **Leavers' Hoodies**

Last Friday, our Year 6 children were gifted their end-of-school leavers' hoodies, generously paid for by our PTA. A huge thank you to the PTA team and Mrs Walker for coordinating this wonderful treat for our oldest cohort; they are delighted with their hoodies!

#### **PTA Film Nights**

Our PTA film nights took place this week and as always, were a huge success! The children got to enjoy a film with snacks and drinks, which they enjoyed lots. These events are always great fun for our children and a great way for the PTA to raise funds for the school. A huge thank you to the staff, parents and PTA team who worked hard to ensure both nights ran smoothly.

#### **PTA Winner Bar Event**

To celebrate World Book Day, the PTA will be running a 'Winner Bar' event, selling chocolate bars (95g size) based on the bars featured in the Roald Dahl book *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Just like in the book, some lucky children will find a golden ticket hidden inside their Winner Bar which means they have won a prize – with 15 prizes available! There are some fantastic prizes to win – we have vouchers from Climbing Hut, Odeon, UA Trampoline, Reaseheath Zoo and Wild Tots vouchers, five different gifts from Smiggle as well as some fantastic school-related prizes (like class golden table, extra playtime and even the opportunity to choose the morning lesson).

Winner Bars will be available to purchase on ParentPay and children will be able to come and choose their bar from the PTA stall at the end of school on 6<sup>th</sup> March. A small number of bars will also be available to purchase on the day, but we recommend you pre-pay to ensure you don't miss out. Please see attached poster for more info.

### **Year 5 and 6 Hockey – from Mr Cairns**

On Tuesday afternoon, the hockey team went to Weaverham High School to take part in the Vale Royal Partnership Final. The standard was high as all the teams there had already won their Cluster Competitions! Eva, Summer, Kai, Seb and Owen played well and worked so hard, running forward to attack then sprinting back to defend. They won matches against Winsford High Street and St. Wilf's which meant they just needed a draw or a win to make the County Final. In an amazing final game, Cuddington won 5-4 leaving us one goal short of victory.

### **Upcoming Dates for the Diary**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March: Year 5 visit to Jodrell Bank

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day (children will be invited to attend in costume!)

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March: Whole class and Year 6 photographs

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June: Key Stage 1 Sports Day

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June: Key Stage 2 Sports Day

### **Cantonese Story Telling at Sandiway**

Please see attached details of a Cantonese Story Telling and craft session this Saturday at Sandiway Library to commemorate Chinese New Year. This session is open to all children of primary age who are able to understand Cantonese.

### **FREE Parent Session with FACE**

FACE Family Advice are holding a session on tackling addictive behaviours in young people on the 21<sup>st</sup> March, from 7-8pm. This is an online session open to all parents and carers of school-aged children and focuses on why young people become addicted to certain activities or behaviours.


To book your place on this short session, register here: <https://www.facefamilyadvice.co.uk/parents>

### **Car Parking at Pick Up and Drop Off**

We have seen an increase in parents using the car park as a drop-off and pick-up point for children. A further reminder that the car park is for staff and visitors only and must only be used as a thoroughfare for those dropping or picking up children at Kids Count. I would also like to ask that all engines are switched off when waiting for pick up; this not only helps protect the environment but reduces noise levels on Riddings Lane.

Have a wonderful half-term break; we will see you again on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Warm regards,



Miss M Fairweather

**Headteacher**