



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

10th January 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

Happy New Year! I hope you've all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed spending time with your family during the festive break. Our first week back has not been without its challenges for us all and I'd like to thank all the staff for their commitment and support, enabling us to open as normal. A special thanks goes to our site team, Mr Matt and Mr James. They've both been here extremely early and done a sterling job ensuring the playground has been cleared of snow/gritted and that school is safe to open. I'd also like to thank all our families for getting the children to school in very difficult circumstances.

We held our final Open Afternoon event for prospective Early Years 2025 parents yesterday ahead of the deadline to submit applications of 15th January. It's been a pleasure to showcase our amazing school to a new audience during our four recent open events. This year we've also held a number of very successful 'Come and Play' sessions for prospective parents and their children. I'd like to thank Mrs Rowland and the Early Years team as well as all of the senior leadership team and Mrs Parr, our School Business Manager, for their hard work and support planning, organising and running these events.

Looking ahead now to later this year, I'm delighted to confirm that the arrangements for our residential visits for Years 4 and 6 have now been finalised and the trips are live to parents on ParentPay. The dates for the trips are as follows:

Year 6 visit to The Conway Centre, Isle of Anglesey – Wednesday 21st May – Friday 23rd May
Year 4 visit to Tattenhall – Thursday 22nd May – Friday 23rd May

Dates For Your Diary

Friday 10th January – 4JO Swimming lessons start
Thursday 16th January – Wild West themed school dinner for Census Day
Wednesday 12th February – Year 2 visit to Chester Cathedral
Tuesday 25th February – Young Voices Choir performance at Young Voices 2025 AO Arena
Wednesday 2nd April – Year 4 parents' meeting for Tattenhall residential 5pm in the main hall
Thursday 3rd April – Year 6 parents' meeting for Conway Centre residential 5pm in the main hall

Year 6 Victoria Day Visit to Tatton Park – 6LW Tuesday 14th January/ 6LO Wednesday 15th January

Our Year 6 children will be visiting Tatton Park next week for a Victorian themed day. The children will have the opportunity to tour the Mansion and see the contrast between the beautiful state rooms and the stark servant's quarters. They will experience life as a Victorian servant through a number of hands on activities. Their aim will then be to impress the Butler/Housekeeper in hope that they will be given a job to work as part of the team serving the home of the Egerton family. For those parents who haven't already provided consent and paid for this trip please do so via ParentPay now.

School Spring Census – Thursday 16th January – Wild West Themed School Dinner

Next Thursday is the School Spring Census. Mrs Jones, our School Cook, will providing a specially themed menu on the day of a Sausage brunch bun or bacon and tomato pasta– see the attached flyer for further details.

Term Dates 2025/26

Our term dates for the 2025/26 academic year have now been set by our Multi Academy Trust and are attached for your information. They are also available on our website.

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PTA News

Welcome back everyone from the PTA!

We're currently doing the final calculations for the amount raised from the Christmas Fair and Elfridges last year. As soon as we have our grand total, we'll let you know. We can say though that over 450 gifts were chosen by the children who were part of our Elfridges shop, and we know some children couldn't wait until Christmas to give them out!

Save the dates - we will be hosting film nights on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February. We are just confirming which years will be invited on which day and the chosen film, so more details to follow!

Finally, if over Christmas your child/ren have grown out of any uniform, we do have lots in stock in our uniform shop. Please drop us a note (pta@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk) and we can get out any stock for you to take a look at - it's free or a donation if you wish.

As I finish writing today's edition the sun is shining, let's hope it stays out and melts the ice for us. I hope you have a lovely weekend, stay safe and keep warm. See you all on Monday.

Kind regards

Miss M Fairweather
Headteacher