



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

17th January 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

I'm sure you'll agree that this week has been significantly less challenging weather wise, we've even had some beautiful blue skies!

We're now two weeks into the launch of our new wrap around care provision, RRAP Club, and I'm delighted to report that it is proving to be a great success with parents and children alike. I've had lovely feedback from the staff team and the children themselves. It's been a pleasure to pop in and see everyone at the start and end of the day. If you haven't yet used the facility and are interested in what we offer, please email rrapclub@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk and our club manager, Liz Segrott, will be able to assist you.

Further to the information in last week's newsletter regarding the Year 4 and Year 6 residentials, I'm pleased to confirm that arrangements for the Year 2 residential visit to Burwardsley have also now been finalised and the trip is live to parents on ParentPay. The dates for the trip are as follows:

2NB - Tuesday 24th - Wednesday 25th June,

2EC - Wednesday 25th June - Thursday 26th June

Year 6 Victoria Day Visit to Tatton Park

Year 6 visited Tatton Park Mansion this week for a Victorian themed visit. During the day they worked as Victorian servants for the Egerton family. While serving the family, they fulfilled different roles from baking scones in the kitchen, resetting bedrooms by making beds and emptying the chamber pot, and serving meals. As the children worked so hard, they were given a tour of the house and were told they would be considered for a job! No excuses for untidy bedrooms at home now!

Dates For Your Diary

Thursday 23rd January – Year 5 Mini Police Attestation 4pm

Wednesday 12th February – Year 2 visit to Chester Cathedral

Tuesday 25th February – Young Voices Choir performance at Young Voices 2025 AO Arena

Monday 10th March – Science week commences

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

Science Week

This year our annual Science Week in school will be held during the week beginning 10th March. In this week we welcome many visitors into school from our local community with science links. We are once again appealing to our parents to get in touch if you are employed in a science related field and think you could help us by giving a 'talk' or running a workshop for the children. In the past we have had visits from parents in a wide range of science fields such as engineers, chemists, vets, doctors, geomorphologists, and microbiologists! We are always keen to educate our children to become aware of different careers relating to science so please email the office or see Mrs Clinkard (1CW) or Miss Shepherd (5ES) if you can help in any way, thank you.

Parent Reading Volunteer Needed

Our Year 6 team are looking for a parent (or even a Grandparent!) volunteer to help listen to the children read on a regular basis. If you're interested please contact the office with details of your availability. In line with school policy, all volunteers will be subject to a volunteer DBS check. Thank you in advance for your support with this request.

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Dogs On Site/At The Gates

A reminder that dogs (with the exception of guide dogs) are not permitted on the school site. I'd also like to request that parents don't bring their dogs right up to the back gate in particular. Some of our children are nervous around dogs and with this being such a narrow entrance the proximity of dogs can cause some distress.

Half Term Holiday Clubs

Please find attached a flyer from On The Pitch regarding their half term football camp being held here at school and also a flyer from Cheshire Forest Schools regarding their holiday camp.

Final Flu Vaccine Clinic

The school nursing team have advised us that they will be holding their final catch up clinic to administer the flu vaccine on **Monday 20th January at Victoria Road Children's Centre from 3.30-5pm**. This is a drop in session.

Hartford Parish Council - Kids deserve clean air... Please switch off your engine!

Hartford Parish Council have asked school to share the following information with our school community:

Did you know that an idling vehicle emits much more pollution than one travelling at 30mph? Leaving your car engine running whilst you are stationary is an offence under the Road Traffic Act. As well as wasting fuel and money, idling is bad news for health and the environment and is particularly harmful to children with respiratory illnesses.

Modern engines are designed so that you can start driving straight after starting the car. Please see the Cheshire West and Chester Council [Anti-idling myth busting](#) information.

We would be really grateful if all parents and carers could turn off their engines when waiting to collect pupils. This will help to protect the health of children in school. Thank you very much for your support.

Cheshire West and Chester's Parent Carer Forum Newsletter

Please follow this link for the latest newsletter: <https://mailchi.mp/57b4f504b0a6/pcf-news-and-events-december-2024-17456888>

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

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