

HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 2nd February 2024



Dear Parents/Carers and Families,

As January ends and we move into February, it's been another busy week with lots happening here at Hartford. Please read on to see all that we have been up to!

Year 2 Visit to Chester Cathedral

On Wednesday, Year 2 visited Chester Cathedral to learn more about Christianity from those who follow it in their local place of worship. The children got to explore the Cathedral and see some of the items that Christians use to help them worship within their faith community, such as the lectern, font, altar, and candles. They also got to learn about the shape of the building and its history. A brilliant and informative day was had by all – a huge thank you to the Year 2 team for organising and facilitating this visit, and to the parents and carers who volunteered their time to support us.

Young Voices

Next Wednesday, our Young Voices choir are heading to The AO Arena in Manchester for their performance alongside 5,000-8,000 other children as a single choir to a full capacity audience of family and friends. This is an absolutely wonderful opportunity for our children, improving their self-belief, self-motivation, confidence, and ability to communicate as part of a team - which is invaluable! I know that the choir are very, very excited and it promises to be an excellent evening. Good luck to all involved, and a huge thank you to Mrs Ovenden and Mrs Hodkinson for all their hard work in organising it. I'm really looking forward to accompanying the children.

Measles and MMR

Due to an increase in measles cases across the country this year, including a recent outbreak in the West Midlands, the Department for Public Health are encouraging everyone to check that they and their children have had 2 doses of the MMR vaccine. Please read the attached letter which provides further important information on why this is necessary and how to check your child's records.

Morning Drop-Offs

Please note that we ask parents to drop children off from 8.45am until our gates close at 9am. This is when we have an on-duty member of staff out in the car park to ensure safety. Please do not leave your children unattended earlier than this as we do not have a member of staff outside at this time and the car park gets busy. If your child walks to school, please make sure that they are understanding of the surroundings and our neighbours and are respectful of both if they arrive early.

World Book Day

This year we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. As in previous years, children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book. Last year we had a huge range of brilliant interpretations and I look forward to seeing what the children come up with this time around!

Throughout the month of February, libraries across Cheshire West are holding a fancy dress costume swap in anticipation of World Book Day. Northwich and Winsford libraries are taking part in this from now until 6th March;

there is no cost to take part although a donation is appreciated but not necessary. Please see the attached poster for more information.
PTA Meeting The PTA are holding a meeting on Friday 16 th February at 9am in Mrs Moore's Hall. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.
Half Term Activities at Weaver Hall Museum and Lion Salt Works Please find attached information on two sessions taking place during half term – Exploring Science and Technology at Weaver Hall Museum and Salt Crystal Art at Lion Salt Works. All are welcome to attend, donations are accepted.
Have a great weekend and we will see you on Monday.
Warm regards,
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