



# HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

How lovely that we're getting to round off the end of term with such gorgeous weather. The children have obviously taken it into account when selecting their outfits for non-uniform day today! Thank you for your £1 donations, which will be put towards funding new 'No Outsiders' books for every class.

I was delighted to be involved in presenting our Year 6 children with their Leavers' Hoodies this morning; the children all look fabulous! I'm sure they will wear them with pride for their last term here at Hartford. Thank you to Mrs Walker for organising and of course our wonderful PTA for funding the hoodies again this year.

It's been a quiet week trip wise this week but here's a little update on the trips that happened last Friday:

#### **Early Years Visit to St. John's**

On Friday last week Early Years had a sunny walk down to St John's church. When they arrived, they were greeted by Teresa and her team and enjoyed learning all about the importance of Easter within the Christian faith. We learnt some songs using Makaton signs, listened to a bible reading, acted out some of the story, created our own palm leaves and of course enjoyed a biscuit and a drink. The children were excellent ambassadors for school as they walked through the village and behaved beautifully within the church. A huge thank you to all the adult volunteers that supported the visit as it would not have been possible without you.

#### **Year 1 Visit to St. John's**

Year 1 also walked to St John's last Friday to learn about Christianity and the origins of Easter as part of our RE curriculum unit. We had several very willing and helpful parents who helped to walk the children sensibly to the church (thank you!). The children behaved brilliantly as they listened to Teresa, engaged in craft activities and sang songs all about the Easter story.

#### **Year 5 Visit to Jodrell Bank**

Last Friday Year 5 blasted off on an adventure to Jodrell Bank! We had a fantastic day exploring the numerous interactive exhibits and watching a planetarium show in the Space Dome! We particularly enjoyed exploring the Whispering Dishes and learning about the movement of the Earth. It was fascinating to see the telescope and to learn about how it works by detecting radio waves to tell us lots of information about objects in space, especially stars! The children behaved excellently and represented Hartford Primary and our core values really well in a public space. Thank you to all our parent helpers who were able to support us on the day!

#### **Mini Police Parking Patrols**

You may have spotted our Year 5 Mini Police out and about over the last couple of days. They've been helping our PCSO with his parking patrols. You'll be glad to hear they've given out more tickets for good parking than bad!

#### **A Sporting Update from Mr Cairns**

Yesterday we welcomed Sandiway, Cuddington and Little Leigh Primary Schools for the Create Learning Trust Year 4 Football competition. Hartford started with a match against a very strong Cuddington team who won 4-0. After that our team started to play some lovely passing football. They beat Sandiway 3-1 and Little Leigh 4-0 to finish runners up overall. Well done to all the boys who played.



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## Dates For Your Diary

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – School reopens for the Summer term  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April – 4MH swimming lessons start  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Year 5 'Smokebusters' visit  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May – Parents' Evenings  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Year 5 Northwich Sings  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5 visit to Chester Zoo  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3 World Museum visit  
Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Bag2School Collection

## 4MH Swimming Lessons

4JO finish their swimming lessons at Brio today and 4MH will start their lessons on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

## Parents' Evenings

As you know our next round of Parents' Evenings are being held from Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> May, the detailed timetable was published to parents earlier in the week and the appointment system went live at 6pm yesterday. The system will remain open for bookings until noon on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April. If you're having trouble making an appointment, please contact the ladies in the office for assistance.

## Class Photos/Year 6 Leavers' Photos

The proofs of the children's photographs have been sent home this week. The deadline to order for free delivery back to school is 9am on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Orders placed after this will be subject to postage charges for home delivery. Online orders only.

## PTA News

We will be holding another Bag2School collection on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May as a fundraiser. Please see the attached flyer for details of acceptable items for donation. Bags should be left under the office window before 9am on the day. Please don't drop any bags off before 13<sup>th</sup> May as school cannot store them.

## Picture News Assemblies

During assemblies each week the children have started to learn about a current news topic. This week we've been talking about the proposed new Manchester United football stadium and whether stadiums should be used for more than just football. Here's a brief summary and some suggested discussion points for you at home:

### TAKEHOME

Should stadiums be used for more than just football?

### In the news this week

English football club, Manchester United, has announced plans to build the biggest stadium in the UK. The new stadium will cost around £2 billion, seat 100,000 spectators and will also be used for many other things, including concerts. It is thought the new development will be built close to the club's existing stadium, Old Trafford. Once it's ready, the current Old Trafford stadium may be demolished.

**Things to talk about at home...**

- What is the closest football stadium to where you live? Is it ever used for things other than football?
- Do you enjoy watching football or other sports? Have you ever been to a game in a stadium or perhaps visited one? Ask someone at home to share their experience.
- Share your thoughts on the new stadium. Do you think it is a good idea?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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## **Hartford Parish Council – Village Event**

A reminder of an upcoming event in the village for children: Craft for Kids Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April (Hartford Village Hall 10am-12pm or 2-4pm).

## **Northwich Comic Con – Memorial Court 5<sup>th</sup> April 10am - 4pm**

To start off the Easter holidays you might be interested in this event being held in Northwich tomorrow. Visitors can expect to find fan favourite characters, including an assortment of Superheroes, Star Wars, and many more in attendance, with regular meet and greet opportunities for those wanting a photo with their favourites – with characters including Minecraft Steve, Spongebob, and Bowser. There will be a cosplay competition, with prizes to be won for the best dressed. You can also find replica prop sets and backdrops from fan favourite series, perfect for photo opportunities!

## **Brio Holiday Activities**

Details of holiday activities being held at Brio over Easter are detailed in the attached flyer.

## **Easter Holiday Club Cuddington Youth Community Centre**

Please see the attached flyer from a local company who run free holiday clubs for children entitled to Free School Meals as part of the Holiday Activities and Food programmed funded by the Department of Education. Children who aren't entitled to Free School Meals can be booked on for a fee.

## **FACE Newsletter and Spring Timetable**

Please find attached FACE Family Support's latest newsletter and Spring timetable of online courses for your information.

## **CWAC Parent Carer Forum Newsletter**

Here's a link to the latest CWAC PCF newsletter for your information: [PCF CWaC Newsletter](#)

A reminder that school finishes today for the Easter holidays and will reopen on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**.

Have a lovely Easter everyone, let's hope the sunshine continues for us all.

Warm regards

Miss M Fairweather

**Headteacher**