



# HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

Phew! What a scorcher of a week it's been! It's been lovely to see the children engaging in all the extra activities Mr Cairns has organised for them over the last few days, from morning Zumba to body pump classes and of course our mini sports' day. Read on for Mr Cairns' round up of the week's events and a report on other recent sporting competitions.

Last night the Early Years team and I had the pleasure of welcoming our Early Years 2025 parents into school for their new starter information evening. This cohort brings a lot of new families to school, so it was lovely to formally meet them, alongside some more familiar faces, and welcome everyone to our Hartford family. I'd like to say a special thank you to Mrs Farley, Mrs Ford and Mrs Johnson, for giving up their time and representing our PTA during the evening.

Looking ahead to next week we've got a number of trips organised for the children, not least our Year 2 residential visit to Burwardsley. Early Years are heading to the beach and Year 6 will be visiting the Odiyana Buddhist Centre. Let's hope the sunshine continues for them but perhaps for cooler temperatures!

#### **Year 1 Visit to Hartford Allotments – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 1 visited Hartford allotments on Wednesday afternoon, and we had a wonderful time learning about the different herbs and mini beasts that could be found there - this visit was linked to our science unit about plants and what they need to grow. We also completed a scavenger hunt and had some refreshments; the allotment team were amazing. Thank you to our parent and grandparent helpers for coming with us.

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

**Healthy Living Week** - This week, the beautiful weather has really helped with the success of our annual sporting week. It meant we could dance to the Cha Cha Slide every morning, the children could walk, scoot and cycle to school. So many children ate healthy snacks and took part in beat the goalie, dance, target games and obstacle courses at lunch times. We also had an opening ceremony, a closing ceremony and I ran healthy living PE lessons, boxing and body pump classes for every year group. After all these events, 2NB and 5CW came out on top, well done! Finally, we had some individual prizes for amazing colouring and, most importantly, showing our school values throughout the week. I'd like to thank all the children for taking part so enthusiastically and making the week such a success.

**Football** - On Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June, the Year 5/6 football teams went to Winnington Park. The girls played very well but unfortunately conceded the first goal against the run of play. They pushed and pushed for an equaliser, and it finally came when Roxy blasted the ball into the roof of the net with one second to go. The boys had a very good match against an extremely strong side. They went 2-0 down but then had a tactical discussion at half time between themselves and worked out a few issues. They got back into the game at 2-1 and were pushing for an equaliser. Unfortunately, this left big gaps at the back and led to Winnington breaking away to win it 3-1. Well done to both teams.

**Orienteering** - On Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June, 24 Year 5 children walked to Hartford High School to take part in an orienteering competition. They ran round the huge field at Hartford, finding check points in the 20 minutes they had to complete the course. They all had a great time, and we were back just before the rain started.

**Tennis** - Two Year 3 tennis teams went to Hartford Tennis Club on Wednesday in the blazing heat. They all played fantastic tennis over the three hours of competition. After all the scores for the afternoon were added up, the semifinal was announced - Hartford A v Hartford B. In a very close match, Hartford A just edged it 3-1 and went onto the final to play Sandiway. They all played so well again and won the final 4-0 to take home the medals. Well done everyone!

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I will report on yesterday's New Age Kurling Competition next week after I've spoken to the Year 6 staff and the four Year 6 children that attended.

#### Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Early Years visit to Thurstaston Beach  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June/Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – 2NB residential visit to Burwardsley  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June/Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – 2EC residential visit to Burwardsley  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – 6LO visit to The Odiyana Buddhist Centre  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – 6LW visit to The Odiyana Buddhist Centre  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Colour Run Event  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July – Year 1 visit to Bridgewater Gardens  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 Sports Day (afternoon)  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Early Years and KS1 Sports Day (afternoon)  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Bubble Football in school  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' performance 2pm and 6pm  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' performance 6pm  
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Year 6 Bowling trip  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' assembly 2pm  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – School finishes at normal time for the Summer holidays  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September – Inset Day – school closed to pupils  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – School reopens for the 2025/26 academic year

#### PTA News

**Colour Run Event – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June:** Thank you to those families who have already sent in their child's sponsorship money or used the Just Giving link. Here's a final reminder of how to send in your sponsorship:

Sponsorship for the event can be collected in two ways:

- Sharing our Just Giving link with friends and family <http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/hps-colour-run>
- Paper sponsorship form: These have been distributed to the children but if you need an additional one please contact the office.

Paper forms and sponsorship money should be returned to the school office in a labelled, sealed envelope (including your child's name and class).

Information about how the event itself will be run will be emailed home next week.

#### Frozen Thursday

We'd like to say a big thank you to Year 6 for running our Frozen Thursday stall after school yesterday. We made a total of £251 from sales! We'll just need to deduct our costs before finalising our profit margin but based on those sales the event was a great success, thank you for your support.

As Miss Fairweather has already mentioned we attended that new parents meeting last night. We held a pre-loved uniform sale and took a staggering £176 in donations! We were blown away!

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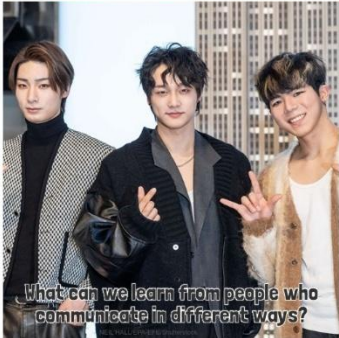


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## Picture News Assemblies

During assemblies each week the children are learning about a current news topic. This week we've been talking about a new K-pop band from South Korea whose members all have hearing loss. They use things like vibrations, flashing lights and sign language to help them perform music together. We've asked the question, "What can we learn from people who communicate in different ways?" Here's a summary and some suggested discussion points for you at home:

**TAKEHOME**



What can we learn from people who communicate in different ways?

### In the news this week

Big Ocean is a new K-pop band from South Korea, and all three of its members have hearing loss. They use things like vibrations, flashing lights, and sign language to help them perform music together. Even though the band can't hear the songs like most people, they work very hard to stay in time and show emotion through movement and expression. Big Ocean want to raise awareness about deaf culture and make K-pop more inclusive, by using Korean Sign Language in their performances.

#### Things to talk about at home ...

- What impact do you think a band like Big Ocean could have through their music?
- Where and when might we use sign language?
- What are some different ways we can communicate with others?
- Ask someone at home to share their thoughts.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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## FACE Family Support

Please find attached the FACE family support July newsletter and the current timetable of advice sessions available to parents.

## Davenham JFC Girls U'8's – Looking for Players

Davenham JFC is looking to invite current Year 2 girls to join their football team, please see the attached flyer for more information.

## Summer Camps and Holiday Clubs

Leaflets regarding some Summer camps and holiday clubs are attached for your information.

## Liverpool Brick Festival – 19<sup>th</sup> July – Aintree Racecourse

There's going to be another celebration of all things Lego soon. The next event is being held on 19<sup>th</sup> July at Aintree Racecourse, further information attached.

Have a lovely weekend.

Warm regards

Miss M Fairweather  
Headteacher