



HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

4th July 2025



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

As you know the children have spent time with their teacher for next year on their transition days this week. We've also welcomed our new Early Years 2025 children, as well as some new children In Year 1, 3 and 5 who will be joining us in September. As always this has been a great success and really helps to settle any nerves the children may have ahead of next year.

The majority of our Year 6 children are now back from their High School transition visits and are busy putting the finishing touches to their performance of 'The Wizard of Oz', polishing their acting and singing skills ahead of their performances the week after next. The children also have a number of 'Leavers' treats to look forward to over the coming weeks, including a special Leavers Lunch, Bubble Football, their Leavers' Assembly and a trip to Warrington Ten Pin Bowling. The latter being the final trip of this academic year.

Looking ahead at the calendar we've got lots to look forward to before we break up on Wednesday 23rd July, read on to find out what's going on:

Year 1 Visit to Bridgewater Gardens – Monday 7th July

It's the turn of our Year 1 children to venture out next week and they will be heading off to Bridgewater Gardens on Monday. The visit is connected to their curriculum learning about plants and where food comes from. During the day, the children will be given the opportunity to take part in a workshop led by RHS staff as well as exploring the gardens and learning about plant growth.

A Sporting Update from Mr Cairns

Our young athletes gave it their all at this year's Town Sports last week, showing off their energy, teamwork, and determination! The team jumped, sprinted, powered through the relays and launched the howler with impressive skill and enthusiasm.

Huge congratulations to the 17 children who won their individual events — what an incredible achievement! Their hard work and sportsmanship helped the team secure a fantastic 2nd place overall out of 8 schools.

Our Year 3 and 5/6 rugby teams had a fantastic time taking part in a tag rugby competition last Friday. With great teamwork, determination, and plenty of smiles, they played brilliantly and even celebrated some well-earned wins along the way.

It was a great opportunity to build confidence, learn new skills, and enjoy the spirit of friendly competition. Well done to all the players for their enthusiasm and sportsmanship — I'm proud of every single one of you!

On Tuesday 1st July, 5CW went to Hartford High School for the Quadkids athletics event. Each child did the long jump, threw the howler, sprinted 75m and ran 600m. After all the scores were added up, our C team finished 4th, our B team finished 2nd, and our A team won the event. A brilliant performance against Year 6 children from other schools.

Finally HPS' New Age Kurling team has a new name— *The Stone Slingers*! This dynamic team of Year 6 pupils had already made waves by clinching a well-deserved victory in the County Final, earning their place in the prestigious Northwest Finals. The finals took place on 19th June and displaying precision, teamwork, and undeniable flair, The Stone Slingers played with heart and strategy, outmaneuvering their competition with every slide. Their recent performance was fantastic, showcasing not only their skill but also their passion for the sport. They finished 4th in the competition and did our school proud.

Sports Days – Thursday 10th July (KS2 – Years 3 – 6) / Friday 11th July (Early Years, Year 1 and 2)

We are all planning for some good weather next week as on Thursday 10th July we have our KS2 Sports Day and on Friday 11th July it is the turn of Early Years and KS1.

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On both days the gates will open at 1.15pm and the events will start at 1.30pm. During the events parents will be seated on one side of the field and children on the other. Parents must remain in their designated area throughout the event. If you need to pass a message to your child, please get the attention of a staff member. A reminder that no pets are allowed on site.

The PTA will be providing refreshments on both days and there will also be a pre-loved uniform sale (see below for further details).

On the day, children should come to school in their PE kit with trainers, sun cream, a water bottle and a hat. They will take part in a number of races across the afternoon as well as relays and the tug of war. At the end, one class will be crowned champions!

In the case of poor weather, a decision will be made by 10.30am on the day and communicated to all parents via email. Please do not phone the office before this time. Reserve days are planned as follows: Early Years/KS1 - Monday 14th July and KS2 - Friday 18th July.

Dates For Your Diary

Monday 7th July – Year 1 visit to Bridgewater Gardens

Thursday 10th July – KS2 Sports Day Gates Open 1.15pm Races Start 1.30pm

Friday 11th July – Early Years and KS1 Sports Day Gates Open 1.15pm Races Start 1.30pm

Tuesday 15th July – Year 6 Bubble Football in school

Wednesday 16th July – Year 6 Leavers' performance 2pm and 6pm

Thursday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers' performance 6pm

Tuesday 22nd July – Year 6 Bowling trip

Wednesday 23rd July – Year 6 Leavers' assembly 2pm

Wednesday 23rd July – School finishes at normal time for the Summer holidays

Monday 1st September – Inset Day – school closed to pupils

Tuesday 2nd September – School reopens for the 2025/26 academic year

PTA News

 **Colour Run – Thank You for Your Support!** 

A massive thank you to everyone who took part in our Colour Run – whether you ran, volunteered, donated, or cheered from the sidelines! We've had fantastic feedback from participants, and we're thrilled to share that the event raised a profit of over £4,000! 🙌 Your support made this day a huge success. Thank you for supporting the school.

Year 4 Bake Sale

We're also delighted to confirm that we managed to obtain match funding for the money raised by our recent Year 4 bake sale, giving us a total profit of £665.87. Thank you again for all your support.

Preloved Uniform Sale – Sports Day Special!

We will be holding a preloved uniform sale outside the small hall during both the Early Years/KS1 and KS2 Sports Days, as well as after school on those days. It's a great chance to pick up good-quality uniform items at low prices – perfect for stocking up before the new term! We have lots available, so come along and have a browse. Cash and card donations will be gratefully received. Thank you for your support!

We'll also be running a refreshment stall at both Sports Days selling cold drinks (cans/fruit shoots/water), payment by cash/card accepted.

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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 driverless cars and how the taxi company Uber wants to test these cars in London. We've asked the question: "Are driverless taxis a good idea?" Here's a summary and some suggested discussion points for you at home:

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Are driverless taxis a good idea?

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

In the news this week

Taxi company, Uber, wants to test cars in London that can drive by themselves without a person at the wheel. The UK government has changed the rules to let this happen sooner. Many believe the service could bring new jobs, but others are worried about human drivers losing work. The cars have performed well in tests, though checks are still needed to make sure they are safe. Some people have already tried riding in these cars to see how well they work.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your experience of public transport and whether you've used a taxi. Talk to someone at home about their experiences.
- How do you feel about using a driverless taxi? Would you use one? Why?
- Can you make a list of the pros and cons of driverless taxis?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

www.picturenews.co.uk/discuss

Hartford Parish Council Event – Picnic In The Park

Picnic in the Park takes place on Sunday 13th July from 1pm - 4pm at Grange Park, Bradburns Lane, Hartford. This free event is about coming together as a community. There will be lots of activities and entertainment on offer, for example a DJ, Face Painter, cricket activities for children, funfair stalls, live music and more. See the attached flyer for more information.

Cheshire West and Chester Council's Parent Carer Forum Newsletter

Here's the link to the latest newsletter from CWAC's Parent Carer Forum: [Your June Parent Carer Forum News is Here!](#)

Cheshire West Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

Please see the attached flyers for further information about free holiday activities available for those children in receipt of free school meals.

STEM Skill Holiday Clubs/Summer Arts & Crafts Clubs

Flyers from three different companies are attached for your information. Here is the booking link for The Imaginators Craft Clubs: <https://linktr.ee/imaginatorsnorthwich>

FACE Family Support Sessions

FACE Family Support are running a free online session supporting health screen use – please see the attached flyer for further information.

After School Enrichment Clubs

A reminder that our after school enrichment clubs all finish this week. Our offering for Autumn 1 2025/26 will be published shortly and clubs will commence week beginning 15th September.

Have a lovely weekend.

Warm regards

Mrs L Cade

Deputy Headteacher

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