

# Hartlebury CE Primary School

## October Newsletter Our Value this Month is 'Forgiveness'

*Ephesians 4:31-32; " Be kind to one another, tender hearted, **forgiving** one another, as God in Christ forgave you."*

### Keeping Your Children Safe- Road Safety for Your Children

Please could you ensure all your children are crossed safely across the road before and after school. Some children, in Year 5 and 6, are able to walk to and from school on their own with your permission. However, Rectory Lane is extremely busy and although Stan is usually there to aid crossing, there may be occasions when he is not. The safety of all our children is paramount and crossing the road safely is a priority.



### Operation Encompass

Our school has been given the opportunity to take part in a national project, which is being run locally in partnership with Worcestershire Children First and West Mercia Police. Operation Encompass is a process whereby the police and county council will inform a member of staff if a child or young person has experienced any domestic incident. This will be done prior to the start of the next school day.

Information sharing between professional agencies allows school staff to provide emotional and practical support to their pupils experiencing domestic abuse. For further information please visit our school website. The following letter was also sent out to all parents/carers via Arbor on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2021.

[Operation Encompass Letter](#)

### NHS COVID-19

We are following Government advice regarding COVID19 and will be notifying you should your child come into close contact with a positive case of COVID-19 within the school. If you receive notification from us, we strongly advise accessing a PCR test for your child as soon as possible and carefully follow the guidance on [how to stay safe and prevent the spread of COVID-19](#). The school will remain open and **providing your child remains well** they can continue to attend the setting as normal whilst they are awaiting the result of their PCR test. To book a PCR test please go to: <https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>



### Communication

Please advise the school office if your Emergency Contact details have changed. It is vital we have all your up to date details, so that we can contact you urgently, when necessary. You should have your Arbor Parent Portal Login details. If not, Miss Gledhill will send this information to you on request. Please can you then log on and check your details are correct. You can amend them through the portal. If you have any problems please contact Miss Gledhill.

**Also**, we would like to confirm our Office Phone is manned between 8.30am and 4pm. If you are unable to contact us in person, an answerphone service is available for you to leave a message. After School Care will answer the phone line to After School Care parents after 4pm until 6pm Monday to Thursday and until 5pm on Friday. Alternatively, you can email the school office [office@hartelbury.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@hartelbury.worcs.sch.uk)

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### **Harvest Festival**

We will be holding our annual Harvest Festival at St. James' Church this year on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October**, at **9am for Years 1, 2 and 3** and at **2.15pm for Years 4, 5 and 6**. You are all very welcome to join us!

This year we will be donating your gifts for Harvest to a local food bank.

**Please could your child bring either tins of food or dried bought goods into school on that day**, as a gift for Harvest. No fresh food I'm afraid!

We look forward to seeing you at our Harvest Festival celebration!



### **PTA Readathon**

From 4<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> October, the PTA have organised a Readathon to raise money for the school library!

Sponsors will donate based on the amount of time you read so the more you read, the more you raise!

Children will have time to read in school and can also count time reading at home too, with prizes to be won in EYFS/KS1 and KS2 for the children who raise the most money. Please keep a look out for your child's sponsor form. Happy Reading!



### **Bonfire Special**

Our fabulous kitchen has created a Bonfire Special Menu for Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

**The menu will be.....**

Beef Burger in a Bun with chips, baked beans or peas

Veggie Burger in a Bun with chips, baked beans or peas

Or Jacket Potato and Beans

**Followed by**

Sticky Toffee Cake or Strawberry Jelly

Please remember to book this Special Menu the usual way through ParentPay by Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October



### **News from Year 3**

Last month Class 3 visited Bishop's Wood to support our history topic this term. We had a gorgeous day weather wise and it was lovely to see the children able to experience some great hands-on learning again in such a fantastic environment.

Our activities included making fire with steels; 'hunting and gathering' in the wood; willow hurdle weaving; rope net making; using a flat stone to grind wheat into flour; working in teams to build shelters, and 'cave painting'.

The children thoroughly enjoyed their day in the sunshine which really helped to enrich their learning.



### **Forest School Update**

As you are aware we are developing our Forest School facilities. We have Mrs Wilton that leads the learning throughout the school and it is the highlight of most children's week! We would still welcome any one that would like to volunteer for a morning in Forest School to help support this valuable outdoor learning experience! If you feel you can help, please email [office@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk)



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## **News from Year 4**

Year 4 have been enjoying their forest school sessions so far this half term. This week, the children went on an insect hunt and used classification keys to identify the insects that they found. What fantastic scientists you are Year 4!



Year 4 also had a fantastic time taking part in their Bikeability Level 1. The Bikeability Level 1 course aims to develop mastery in cycle handling in an off-road environment and prepare riders for cycling on the road.

Children has the opportunity to:

- Prepare themselves for a journey
- Check the cycle is ready for a journey
- Set off, pedal, slow down and stop
- Pedal (including looking behind, cycling one handed, turning and controlling speed)

All of the children that participated passed the course and their behaviour was exceptional!  
Well done Year 4.



## **After School Care – Need your help!**

Do you have any toys or games your children no longer play with? After School Care are hoping to refresh their provision of toys and games for the children in their care. We need toys and games suitable for all our age groups, in good or excellent condition please. If you feel you can help, please email the school office [office@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk)

## **Join our Team**

We are currently recruiting for a full-time experienced Teaching Assistant in our Early Years Unit. We are also recruiting for lunchtime supervisors at Hartlebury and Wilden All Saints Primary School. If you are interested in applying at either school please call the school office for further details 01299 250312.

Alternatively, please see the information you need and application form via the links below.

[Early Years TA3](#)

[Lunchtime Supervisor](#)

We look forward to hearing from you



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**Remember school is closed on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021.**

**Half Term starts after Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October @ 3.15pm. We will re-open on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

**Dates for your diary-**

**October**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> School Closed for ½ term break

**November**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Back to School

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening

**December**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Parents Evening

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