

July Newsletter - Our value is Courage

"The Lord has GREAT PLANS for you, to prosper you and keep you from harm, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:12

Parent Voice Meeting- Thank you

Thank you to the parents and Governors who joined Mrs Bartlett and I to discuss the outcomes of the Parents Survey. We were a small select group BUT had a great meeting, covering lots of areas. With immediate effect we will reduce the amount of emails coming out that are flyers, courses etc. Miss Gledhill will hold all information about Summer Holiday Clubs and should you require any information please contact her directly. Please note that emails are non-urgent communication. If we need to get hold of you urgently we will always call. If we need to get information regarding that day to you, i.e. the trip is arriving back late, we will text. Emails never need reading immediately.



Reports and Parents Evenings



This year we will be sending out your child's school report to your email address we hold for you in Arbor. We will send them on Thursday 14th July and your teachers will email them to you. They will arrive by 5.00pm but may not all arrive at the same time if you are expecting more than 1 report. Please email the school office if you haven't received your report by 5.00pm. We will respond on Friday. Should you wish to comment, please email head@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk

These reports will be based on our end of year data and the assessments the teachers have made in school. Year 2 and Year 6 Statutory Assessment Results will be included, as will the Year 1 Phonic Screening Scores. We are not expecting you to need a conversation with your class teacher about these reports, but if you would like one, please let the office know and a time after school on Monday 18th July 2022 will be arranged for you.

Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Books

Our Jubilee books have arrived! Each family will receive a Queen's Jubilee book, families with more than 3 children at our school will receive 2 books. Families may request another copy on a 'first come; first served' basis. Once they are gone, they are gone! Please contact Miss Gledhill if you would like more than 1 book per family.



Afternoon Tea



WE ARE LOVING THIS! So, what is it? On a Friday the class teacher chooses one child to join a teacher or teaching assistant for afternoon tea and to share the work that has so impressed their own teacher, that they have secured their invitation that week. The children find out in the Praise Assembly on that morning and then look forward to it all day! We have cups, saucers, cake plates, cake stands, table cloths and lots of cake and tea, well squash at least! The children then share their work with everyone at the tea party and their attendance is recorded on the back cover of their book. Hopefully they will tell you all about it and not just about how much cake they ate!

Work Experience Students

We are very excited to be welcoming lots of previous pupils back to school for work experience during July. You may see some familiar faces around and your child may tell you that 'so and so' was in school today. They are not making it up; it may be true!!

Gold Award for Sport

Well done Miss Perry who has steered us brilliantly to our Gold Award for Sport, assessed and award just last week. Thank you to everyone who has helped us with lifts, support, time AND a MASSIVE THANK YOU to your wonderful children who have taken part in every opportunity they were offered!



Mrs Branagh-Wall

Well done Mrs Branagh-Wall for achieving her National Professional Qualification for Senior leaders - no small effort alongside a full-time teaching commitment. Also following a very successful, but tiring, 5-day residential trip to North Wales with our Upper Key Stage 2 children, she then walked 100km the very next day! This was non-stop, taking just over 27 hours and raising over £1000 towards Children with Cancer charity. She then turned up for school on Monday (in flip-flops)! Thank you to everyone who sponsored her, we are in awe of her efforts!



Upcoming Events



NSPCC Assembly Speak Up: Stay Safe Monday 4th July

Last month our wonderful school community raised £185 in donations for the NSPCC as part of our 'Big Breaktime' event. Thank you all so much for contributing. We had a fantastic morning and the children were very engaged in learning how to keep themselves safe. Kelly Yardley, an NSPCC Schools Coordinator, will be coming in to thank the children and to lead a follow up assembly.

Guitar and Ukulele Performance Wednesday 6th July

Has your child been learning to play the guitar or the ukulele this year? If so, then Hannah Fieldhouse will be leading the musicians in a performance at 1.15pm until 1.45pm on Wednesday 6th July 2022. If you are a parent of a child who has been tutored by Severn Arts in guitar or ukulele, do please come and join us, we are very much looking forward to their show.



Worship Group Leading our Church Service Thursday 7th July

Our wonderful Worship Group will be leading assembly in the church again on the first Thursday of the month. They will be concluding the Story of Joseph and will be welcomed by Reverend Stephen Winter at 9.00am. Do please come along if you are available; we would love to have you join us.



Whole School Transition Afternoon- Wednesday 13th July

This is the regular transition afternoon when all classes move up to their new classroom, teacher and teaching assistant for the afternoon. Year 6 will go outside and do sport, Forest School or even play for some of the last times they will have on our field.

Meet your New Teacher - Thursday 14th July @ 2.20pm & 2.50pm

We are offering 'Meet the Teacher' sessions this year, one at 2.20pm and one at 2.50pm, just to add a little bit of flexibility to these meetings. Please just come to the classroom door at the appropriate time. The children will not be able to leave early on this day; please consider this when selecting your meeting.

Teachers and Classes for September are: -

Early Years	Mrs Anneka Hall
Year 1	Miss Charli-Ann Porter
Year 2	Miss Rebekah Salter
Year 3	Mrs Debbie Wares and Mrs Jo Vernon
Year 4	Miss Caitlin Perry
Year 5	Mr Greg Bennett
Tear 6	Mrs Toni Branagh-Wall





School Council Lemonade Stand 7th, 8th, 14th and 15th July

The School Council has been highly proactive this year. They have introduced Playground Pals and Playground Leaders, have developed Playground 3 as an activities station and have purchased 12 sit-on scooters for the children to use. The scooters have been so successful that the councilors would

like to buy some more. To do so, they will be raising money by holding 'Lemonade Stand' events. The stand will be operated by councilors and will sell a range of fizzy and soft fruit drinks for 50p each. Please send 50p in with your child if you wish for them to purchase a cup of lemonade. The drinks will be available at the following times:

- Thursday 7th July Playtime
- Friday 8th July Playtime
- Thursday 14th July Playtime

Sports Day & Family Picnics- Friday 15th July

You are all warmly invited to join us for our Sports Day, weather dependent. We shall hold the event on the field. The children will sit on one side of the track with their classes and compete against their class friends. Parents, grandparents, friends and family members are asked to sit on the other side of the track, chairs will be available. We hope that you and your family members will be able to stay for a whole school picnic following the Key Stage 1 and 2 races. All children are able to leave after their races are run and the picnics are eaten!



The School Council will be selling drinks at their 'Lemonade Stand'.

WHAT'S WHAT!

- All children need to come to school in their PE kit on this day.
- Early Years races will start as soon as we can get the children on to the field, so from approximately 9.15am.
- The rest of school will start their races after Early Years have completed; probably around 10.15am.
- Picnic lunches will start at 12.00ish- all parents are invited to bring a picnic and join their children on the field for lunch. Children entitled to Free School Meals, including Universal Free School Meals (Reception, Years 1 & 2), will have a packed lunch provided if required; this MUST be booked via ParentPay in the usual way.
- All children whose parents are unable to join us will picnic on the field with staff from school- no child will miss out!
- All children are able to leave after their races, but hopefully you will stay and leave after the picnic.
- ALL CHILDREN LEAVING EARLY **MUST** TELL THEIR TEACHERS THEY ARE LEAVING AND WITH WHOM.
- All gates will be manned, ensuring no child leaves without a family adult.
- PLEASE BE AWARE OF WHERE YOU PARK! Previously the police came and stopped our Sports Day because of illegal and inconsiderate parking. We all had to move our cars!
- THERE IS NO PARKING AT THE WHITE HART PUBLIC HOUSE.

Please look out for possible further information about Sports Day nearer the time. Fingers crossed for fine weather

Leavers Service- Wednesday 20th July @ 9.00am

Remember our end of year service at St James, Church; our opportunity to say 'Goodbye' to all our Year 6s leaving our school at this time. It's always a lovely, highly emotional service that the children look forward to, preparing tales and songs that mark their time at our school. It begins the process of sending our Year 6 children on the next part of the growing up journey (never a dry eye!). All parents, grandparents, friends and family are very welcome to join us.



School Closes for Summer Holiday Wednesday 20th July, @ 12 noon.

School News

Staff Leaving

It's that time of the year when staff move on and we have to say goodbye! Miss Imogen Westley left at the end of June to take up a position at the University of Worcester. Miss Cherie Bates, Mrs Lucinda Odell, Miss Jemma Davies and Mrs Claire Gibson will be leaving at the end of this term for adventure new! We wish them well too.



Forest School Vandalism- sadly!



Sadly, our Forest School area is being regularly vandalised at weekends. This really is upsetting our children. The lovely activities they have been doing are being destroyed and lots of our equipment stolen. We are now locking everything up and having to security check the site before we can go in. We are having CCTV fitted during the summer holidays but if you know anything please consider contacting the police. The children have made posters and written letters, which we have put around our Forest School fencing, asking the vandals to PLEASE stop and consider the wildlife we are encouraging.

Severn Arts - Music Lessons

Thank you to all those who support our Music in school, we know this is something the children get a lot from and really enjoy! We are now able to offer music lessons when we return in September! We offer this enhancement to our curriculum as a positive enrichment for the children at Hartlebury. If you have not already expressed your interest in flute, ukulele, guitar, piano or violin lessons please contact the office and we will be happy to organize these for you.



WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE

We need you! Are you able to volunteer?

We are looking for volunteers for September. This can be in Forest school or in class. If you feel you are able to volunteer to help us, we are looking for keen, committed people one or two mornings or afternoons a week, we are very flexible! We do ask that if you are kind enough to volunteer, that you are able to commit to the same day every week, as we will rely on this help in order to provide a range of outdoor learning activities for our children.

Reception Request

We need more toys for the children, in order to ensure their learning experience is the most enjoyable and exciting it can be! Can we therefore put out a request? If you have any toys that your children may have grown out of, or are no longer using at home, could they please be donated to



school! The Reception team would particularly like any Orchard toy games, Lego, Duplo, wooden trains, tracks, wooden cars, play animals or play food you might be able to donate! If you think you can help please let us know and we will arrange for it to come into school!

Summer Work- Exciting News

We are having lots of exciting work done over the summer holidays! I am thinking if I write it down it and tell you it will definitely happenso here goes!

- Our main office corridor is being decorated and new carpet.
- CCTV is being fitted.
- The old Year 1/New Year 2 classroom is having new tables and chairs.
- The 'slightly wonky' shelter on the playground is going; with the wood being recycled between us and Wilden Primary School.
- The tiles are being replaced in the new corridor (now the roof leak has been repaired!)
- The Early Years Outdoor area is being refurbished and the broken bridge removed.



- We're having 2 new slides to replace the split ones on the fort.
- The old Year 2/New Year 1 classroom (THE beautiful Victorian Room) is having a complete refurbishment! Decorating, new carpet, new wet flooring, new furniture, new sink and cupboards...we're very excited.
- To enable us to get this room refurbed, the current Year 2 class is moving out, we haven't worked out quite where yet but we will!

Ready Steady Worcestershire - school holiday food and activities



The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme offers free holiday provision to children in receipt of Free School Meals (FSM) and vulnerable families during Easter, summer and Christmas school holidays.

The HAF Programme funding has been extended to 2023 and Ready Steady Worcestershire has partnered with holiday clubs, schools and activity providers all over the county to offer fun, action packed school holiday periods with all activities offering healthy snacks, lunches and enriching activities. Please visit their website for support. https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/info/20818/worcestershire.school holiday food and activities

Advanced Notice - Back to school Monday 5th September 2022!

Other dates for your diary:

Teacher Training Days: Thursday 1^{st} and Friday 2^{nd} September 2022

SAET Day: Friday 21st October 2022 (School closed)

Half Term: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October 2022

Autumn Term Ends: Friday 16th December 2022