# Hartlebury CE Primary School November 2022 Newsletter

# Our Value this month is 'Peace'



#### Monthly Church Worship - Thursday 3rd November @ 9.00am

Please join us at St. James' Church on Thursday 3rd November 2022 for our monthly Church Collective Worship assembly at 9.00am. Worship Group and Reverend Winter will lead an assembly based on this month's value, 'Peace'.

# Special Educational Needs Coffee Morning - Friday 4th November 9.00am-9.45am

Please join us on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November for our SEND Coffee Morning. We meet in the Mobile classroom to share information and support for families in an informal and friendly manner. If you have children with or an interest in special educational needs, do please join us.

#### Open Day - Tuesday 8th November @ 9.30am - 10.30am

We are very excited to be running an Open Day next week. Do you know of any children looking for places here at Hartlebury? Are you a parent/carer looking for a Pre-School or Reception place for September 2023? Do please join us on our Open Day when children and staff will be showcasing our fabulous school. Please help us share this information throughout the community. Further information can be found by clicking on the following link: Hartlebury Cofe Primary School Open Day - Tuesday 8th November 2022

#### Flu Nasal Vaccinations - Reception to Year 6 - ACTION REQUIRED

You should have all received the information regarding the Flu Nasal Vaccinations that are taking place in school on Wednesday 9th November 2022. It is really important that all parents complete the E-Consent form. Even if the parents decline the vaccine, the consent form still needs to be completed. This will ensure that the child does NOT get vaccinated, and we do not have to continuously chase for consent forms. Please click on the following link to complete the form: Flu Consent Form

# **Remembrance Day**

This year, we are supporting the Royal British Legion by giving each pupil a poppy. If you would like to support this beloved charity or buy additional poppies, more information can be found here: <a href="https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/1">https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/1</a>. Year 6 will be bringing the British Legion charity boxes into classes each day, to collect donations.

#### Remembrance Service - Friday 11th November @ 10.45am, St James' Church

Our Year 6 children will be taking the roll call and planting crosses in remembrance of those fallen soldiers within the parish of Hartlebury on Friday 11th November 2022. This act of remembrance will begin at 10.45am and include the 2 minutes silence at 11.00am. Everyone is invited to attend if they wish to do so. The rest of school will take part in our own act of remembrance in school.

# **Antibullying Week - Monday 14th to Friday 18th November**

Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It will take place from Monday 14th to Friday 18th November 2022 and has the theme Reach Out. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on Monday 14th November 2022, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. For further information about Anti-Bullying Week, please click on the following link:

Anti-Bullying Alliance

## Midlands Air Ambulance Charity (MAAC) Assemblies - Thursday 17th November

We are very excited to be welcoming in the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity who will be coming into school to deliver age appropriate presentations to our children about the role that MAAC plays in the community and how they save lives every day.

# The White Ribbon Campaign - Friday 25th November - Keeping Children Safe

White Ribbon Day is held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022, and is an annual day to raise awareness of family violence. The day is run by the White Ribbon Campaign. The wearing of the White Ribbon stands for never taking part in, condoning or staying silent about violence against women. And on White Ribbon Day, men and boys are encouraged to wear the White Ribbon on November 25th and for a week or two afterwards to support and highlight that pledge. For further information please click on the following link:

The White Ribbon Campaign

## **All things Eco!**

Our first half term back was very busy and exciting, with all classes taking part in the Great Big Green Week, World Animal Day and Black History Month! We are also very proud to say that we have completed our first 2 Objectives towards becoming a Plastic Free School! Thank you to Year 4 who took part in Objective 2: Trash Mob! They went out and about in our school grounds and picked up as much rubbish as they could find, recording what they found as they went! This coming half term, Year 5 and 6 will be tackling Objectives 4 and 5; Challenging Industry and Challenging the Government and we will, of course, keep you updated as to how we get on! Reminder: we still recycle printer cartridges, batteries and pens in school so please do feel free to send these in to us!

#### **Advent Calendars**

The School Council are collecting chocolate advent calendars for Kidderminster Food Bank this month. They want to ensure that as many children as possible who need to use this service can have an advent calendar of their own. If you would like to donate a calendar, please drop it off at the office before Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2022. The School Council will be making a special delivery of the calendars to the Food Bank on this day.

#### **Holiday Absence Fines**

Government Legislation now states that only exceptional circumstances warrant an authorised leave of absence. The latest guidance from the Department of Education regarding absences can be found here: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence">https://www.gov.uk/school-attendance-absence</a>

Parents/carers are strongly urged not to take students out of school for holidays during term time. As part of the Severn Academies Educational Trust, from Tuesday 1st November 2022, we will now be serving Penalty Notices on parents/carers who take their children out of school without authorisation. Penalties require **each parent to pay a fine of £60 per child** if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after 21 days but within 28 days. Failure to pay within the specified timescale could result in prosecution in the Magistrates Court for failure to ensure regular school attendance. This legislation also applies to any student taking leave of absence without prior notification to school or to the Severn Academies Educational Trust.

#### **Wellies Needed!**

We are always on the look out for any spare wellies for our Forest School. If you have any wellies that your children have grown out of and you think that we could make use of them, please send them in. We will be very grateful for any donations received.

#### Mayor's Christmas Card - Message from Stourport Town Council

As you all know the Town's Three Kings Parade and Christmas Light switch on takes place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Our Town Centre Shops will be able to enter the best dressed "*Joyeux Noel*" window display competition and there will also be several new things happening.

One of which is that our Mayor, Councillor Tim Berry, is holding a competition to design his official Mayoral Christmas Card for 2022. The winning designer will also help the Mayor to switch on the lights in Villeneuve-le-Roi Gardens and then join Santa as he switches on the Christmas Trees, on the balcony, at the Civic Centre.

We are asking the Town's Schools to hold their own "Mayor's Christmas Card Competition" and to submit their two winning entries to us\* by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022. The Mayor will pick his favourite, on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 and this will be produced as his official Christmas Card.

\*Entries can be emailed to annette.phillips@stourporttowncouncil.gov.uk

#### **Sports News**

We have had a fantastic first half term of P.E. and School Sport. Children have participated in a range of sports and activities including ball skills, hockey, tag rugby, handball and football. The afterschool clubs were a hit and we saw over 57 children taking part in netball, football, multi sports and tennis club. Well done all!





Last half term also saw us attending some sports events. We attended the Year 3 and 4 Tag Rugby Festival and the Year 4 and 5 Volleyball Festival. The children represented Hartlebury brilliantly! Thank you to the parents who helped with transport to these events. Without your support it wouldn't have been possible!





We now look forward to another exciting half term of P.E. and sport. Some children will have the opportunity to attend the Year 3 cricket festival as well as the KS2 Cross Country. We can't wait to see how the children get on. During this half term we are also running Bikeability for Year's 4 and 5. You will have received all of the information from Miss Perry about this.

This term, some classes will have the opportunity to work with outside coaches from AJB Sports in Education, Worcestershire Cricket as well as Specialist Sports Staff within the Wyre Forest Sports Partnership. We can't wait to see the children develop their sports skills further!

If your child is interested, we still have spaces in some of this half terms clubs:

- Monday Cricket for Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Monday Running for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Tuesday Football for Years 4, 5 and 6
- Thursday Tag Rugby for Years 4, 5 and 6

To sign your child up, please email Miss Gledhill in the school office.

#### **Green Frog Awards**

Green Frog Badge Awards, the highest award we can give for great behaviour, went to the following children at the end of last term:

- Year 1 Bobby and Phoebe
- Year 2 Jack and Tilly
- Year 3 Hugo and Holly
- Year 4 George and Hannah
- Year 5 Lyra and Spencer
- Year 6 Bella and Connor

#### **Ambassadors**

Our highest award in school is our Ambassadors Award. This is normally reserved for children at the very top of the school, usually Year 6, is it is an award for children who represent our school in the most post positive way and as such takes time to achieve. They are our role models. They are the BEST advert school could ever ask for!

We have nominated 5 Ambassadors this half term. They are:

- **1.** Aisling for always going above and beyond in daily school life.
- **2.** Bella for always representing Hartlebury in a responsible manner, both in and out of school.
- **3.** Holly for always being kind and helpful in school and going the extra mile.
- **4.** Isabelle for always representing Hartlebury fantastically at extra school events, both in and out of school.
- **5.** Samuel for perseverance and kindness towards younger members of school.

Well done to all these children; look out for more to follow...because we know there will be more deserving of an Ambassadors Award!

#### **Forest School News**

Over the past year Mrs Hall and Mrs Wilton have been undertaking the Level 3 Forest School Leader training. This training encompassed practical time at Birmingham Forest School's outdoor site where the pedagogy and skills of Forest School were taught. Since the practical sessions the ladies have been writing policies and skills progression based on the latest research. This has enabled us to roll out carefully planned and facilitated sessions throughout the school from Early Years to Year 5.

We are very excited about the opportunities available for our children to develop holistically and within the ethos of Forest School.

Many thanks to our wonderful PTA for funding the Forest School Training and enabling this to happen!

# **Our Vision**

Through regular Forest School sessions, we aim to develop happy, young people with enquiring minds, a spirit of curiosity, respect for themselves, others and the environment. We readily work together in partnership with each other, with home and the wider community – learning and flourishing through our Christian values.

#### **St James' Church Advent Fayre**



# The PTA AGM - Friday 4th November @ 2.00pm

The PTA AGM will be held in school on Friday 4th November 2022 at 2.00pm. If you are interested in hearing about what we have done this year, what we plan to do next year or would like to get involved, please feel free to join us - there will be tea and cake!

If you would like to get involved but can't make the time above, please let the office know and we will be in touch. Thanks for your support as always.

#### **Diary Dates**

#### **November**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monthly worship at St James'
- 4<sup>th</sup> SEN Coffee morning for Parents/Carers
- 4<sup>th</sup> Key Stage 2 Cross Country
- 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Yr5 Bikeability
- 9<sup>th</sup> Flu Nasal Vaccinations Reception to Yr6
- 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day Services Yr6 at St James'
- 11<sup>th</sup> Yr4 Bikeability
- 30<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening

#### **December**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Whole School Worship in St James'
- 1<sup>st</sup> Parents Evening
- Year 5 Class Assembly
- 6<sup>th</sup> EYFS Nativity Performance at 2pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> Key Stage 2 Performance at 6pm
- 13<sup>th</sup> Key Stage 1 Nativity Performance at 5.30pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> Santa Dash/Christmas jumper or theme day
- 15<sup>th</sup> Christmas Lunch
- 16<sup>th</sup> Break up