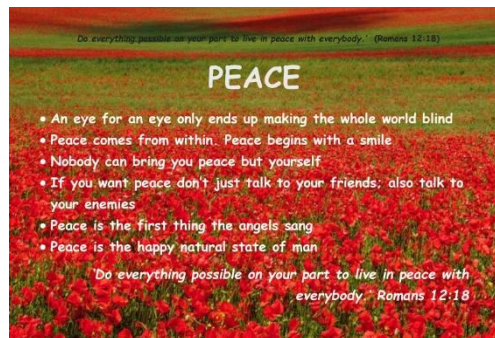


Hartlebury CE Primary School

November 2023

Newsletter

Our Value this half term is 'Peace'



TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY - Wednesday 8th November

Tempest Photography will be in school on **Wednesday 8th November 2023** to take individual and sibling photos of all children in school during the school day. If your child has PE/Forest School that day, please send them into school in their school uniforms and bring their PE Kit/Forest School clothes in a named bag ready to change into afterwards. If your child is in Pre-School and does not normally attend on a Wednesday, they are more than welcome to come along for their photo in the morning.

If you have a younger child at home who does not attend Hartlebury and you would like them to have a picture taken with their siblings, these will be done between 8.00 and 8.30am. After 8.30, we will not be able to do anymore of these pictures.

Monthly Church Worship - Thursday 9th November at 9am, St James' Church

Please join us at St. James' Church on Thursday 9th November for our monthly Church Worship assembly at 8.55am. Worship Group, Mr Berry and Reverend Winter will lead an assembly based on this month's value, 'Peace'.

Remembrance Day – Supporting the Royal British Legion

We are supporting the Royal British Legion again this year. If your child/ren would like to support this beloved charity, then donations for poppies can be made each day this week. School Councillors will be calling on each class daily with the collection boxes. More information about the Royal British Legion can be found here: <https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/1>

Remembrance Service - Friday 10th November at 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 10th November. This act of remembrance will begin at 10.45am and will 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.

Anti-Bullying Week - Monday 13th to Friday 17th November

Next week, from Monday 13th to Friday 17th November, is Anti-Bullying Week and this year it has the theme 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. On Wednesday we are asking for everyone to take part in Odd Socks Day, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. Children will have the opportunity to take part in specific anti-bullying lessons over the course of the week in association with The Anti-Bullying Alliance (<https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>).

Children in Need – Friday 17th November

We will be supporting Children in Need again this year. We will be making a coin donation Pudsey Bear on the day if children would like to or are able to make a small coin contribution. Children are welcome to wear something spotty e.g. socks, t-shirt, hairband etc, if they wish to on Friday 17th November. If anyone has any spotty/themed clothing that children have grown out of and are happy to donate, we would gratefully receive these for children who might need to borrow for this year or in future.



Special Educational Needs Coffee Morning - Friday 17th November 9am - 9.45am

Please join us on Friday 17th 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.

Herefordshire & Worcestershire SENDIASS - Free Training for Parents/Carers

Herefordshire and Worcestershire SENDIASS offer FREE daytime and evening, face to face workshops and online information sessions for parents/carers in Worcestershire.

Workshops currently available for Parent Carers:

[What you need to know if your child has an additional need/ disability- HW SENDIASS](#)

[What does a good Education Health & Care Plan \(EHCP\) look like? – HW SENDIASS](#)

[Who are SENDIASS and how can they support me? Online Information Session- HW SENDIASS](#)

[Autism and Me \(developed by autistic young people\)- HW SENDIASS](#)

All sessions are interactive, enabling participants to ask questions. Find dates and book online using the links above or follow [HW SENDIASS Training-Eventbrite](#).

Safeguarding News – A Message from National Trading Standards

Anyone can be a victim of a loan shark – your family, friends, neighbours and even you. It's not always easy to spot a loan shark as they come in all shapes and sizes and will at first appear friendly, just part of the community. It is when you can't pay that they will turn on you. A loan shark is someone who lends cash as an unauthorised business. If someone is struggling to pay a debt the loan shark will resort to threats, violence and intimidation to get what he/she thinks you owe, even if the debt has been paid off several times over.

A loan shark will typically have little paperwork and, will add penalty charges for late payments. Sometimes they will add random sums to the bill. Many victims keep paying because they think they can afford the agreed weekly sum, but they don't realise how much their continuing weekly payments add up to or they are too afraid to stop payments.

Our advice is that you should never go to a loan shark. They do not provide a community service; they are simply out to make money.

Loan sharks:

Are running an unauthorised business under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

- Often refuse to tell the borrower how much they still owe, when they will finish repayments.
- Often increase the debt or add additional amounts.
- May take items as security- including passports, bank cards and driving licences.
- May resort to violence, threats and intimidation.

If you think you may be involved with a loan shark, contact the team in confidence through the following:

Call: [0300 555 2222](tel:03005552222) Text: [07860022116](tel:07860022116)

E-mail: reportaloan shark@stoploansharks.gov.uk

Website: www.stoploansharks.co.uk

Pre-School and Reception Places - September 2024 Intake

Do you know of children looking for places here at Hartlebury? Are you a parent/carer looking for a Pre-School or a Reception place for September 2024? Do please book a visit where our children and staff will be delighted to showcase our fabulous school.

All things Eco!

Monday 13th - 24th November is Switch Off Fortnight! We took part in this last year and it was a huge success, so we are looking forward to it again. The children will look at what energy is and why it is so important, what a fossil fuel is and how we can do our bit to save energy around school. We are also launching a very exciting competition! We are inviting the children to design a poster promoting Switch Off Fortnight and saving energy and there will be eco-friendly prizes for the KS1 and KS2 winners! The entries should be submitted to the office or Mrs Branagh-Wall by 24th November- good luck everyone!

Sports News

Well done to the team of Year 5/6 children who attended the football tournament at the Kidderminster Harriers Centre of Sporting Excellence on Monday 9th October. We joined over 250 children who played matches in the sunshine. The children won a few games, drew a few and lost a few but showed great perseverance throughout. It was difficult in such warm weather but the children didn't give up and showed fantastic teamwork. A great afternoon was had by all.



Some of our children had a great time taking part in the Worcestershire School Games Sensory Adventure Walk on our school field, organised by The Wyre Forest School Sports Partnership. The aim of the walk was to challenge the different senses of smell, sight, touch and sound. Well done to all of our wonderful children who took part!

Well done to our Year 5/6 Netball Team who took part in the festival at the Stourport Dome on Monday 23rd October 2023. The team showed fantastic perseverance and determination playing against some very experienced players. We're so proud of the team and the attitude and sportsmanship that they showed. You really know what it means to be a Hartlebury pupil. Well done team.

12 Days for Christmas

Following the success of our Kidderminster Foodbank Advent Calendar donation last year, this December, we will be holding a reverse advent calendar event from December 1st to 18th (12 school days). We will be publishing a list of 12 items from which families can choose to donate, should they wish or are able to, for our Christmas Foodbank box. All donations collected will be taken to Kidderminster Foodbank for distribution to those in our community experiencing food poverty or insecurity this Christmas.

Code of Conduct Awards

Code of Conduct Awards, the highest award we can give for great behaviour, went to the following children at the end of last term: Zienna, Austin, Isabelle, Otis, Lily, Lewis, Darwin, Heidi, Jessica, Lincoln, Jake, Saskia. Well done!

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. It is an award for children who represent our school in the most positive way and as such takes time to achieve. They are fantastic role models and wonderful representatives for our school! Congratulations to Edward and Sadie, who have become our first Ambassadors of the year. We know that we will have lots of children who are deserving of Code of Conduct and Ambassador Awards; we are very much looking forward to recognising these children throughout the academic year.

Safeguarding Concern

There has been a near miss incident on the school driveway that could have caused a child significant injury. Please can we remind parents that our main school carparks are for the use of staff, the school bus and those families who have a blue badge for their vehicles AND need to access the disabled parking places. Breakfast Club users are able to use the carparks until 8.15am on condition that the main gates are closed after access. Children, families, staff and visitors use the clearly defined footpath to access the school and dangerous or unauthorised parking puts pedestrians at risk.

We will be monitoring the carparks with CCTV and staff moving forward. Please park safely and DO NOT use the school driveway when dropping off or collecting your child. The layby, White Hart pub or Castle drive etc are available for this purpose.

Diary Dates

Please also look out for information directly from your child's
Class Teacher regarding class trips this term.

November

Wednesday 8th November - Tempest Photography Day

Thursday 9th November - Church Worship at St James' at 9am

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Service at St James' Church (Y5/6 children not at Cross-Country)

Monday 13th November - Wear Odd Socks for Anti-Bullying Week (13th -17th November)

Monday 13th – Friday 24th November - Switch Off Fortnight (Design a Poster)

Friday 17th November - Children in Need Day (Wear Spots)

Friday 17th November - SEND Parents Coffee Morning (9am – 10am)

December

Friday 1st December - 12 Days for Christmas Launch

Friday 1st December - Christmas Jumper Exchange

Wednesday 6th December – Dogs Trust Assembly

Thursday 7th December - Church Worship at St James' at 9am

Tuesday 12th December – Year 3/4 Christmas Carol Concert at St James' Church at 6pm

Wednesday 13th December - EYFS Nativity at 2pm

Friday 15th December – Santa Dash and Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 19th December - Key Stage 1 Nativity at 2pm and 5.30pm

Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Lunch

Thursday 21st December - Christmas End of Term Service at St James' Church at 9am