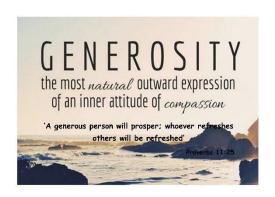
Hartlebury CE Primary School January 2024 Newsletter



PTA Christmas Movie Night and Santa Dash - Thank you!



On Friday 15th December we took part in the Annual Hartlebury Primary School Santa Dash. Children wore their Christmas jumpers, hats and tinsel and dashed around the playground for 15 minutes, trotting like reindeers, stomping like snowmen and skipping like elves. Children even got to wave at our very special visitor... Father Christmas! Our visitor gave all of the children a Christmas present from the PTA. Thank you so much to everybody who donated. This sponsorship, combined with the support for the PTA Christmas Movie Night and for your generous Nativity donations, have raised a grand total of...£1680! Wow! What an amazing total raised for our wonderful PTA. Thank you once again. What a supportive school community we have! All funds will be used by the PTA to provide enhancements for learning which will benefit all of our fantastic pupils.

Code of Conduct and Ambassador Awards

Our Code of Conduct awards, the highest award we can give for consistently demonstrating great behaviour, went to the following children at the end of last term:

- Willow Edward and Charlotte
- Cherry Erin and Theo
- Ash Zara and Bobby
- Lime Amy
- Hazel Gracie and Josh
- Chestnut George and Blossom
- Alder Lyra and Noah B

Our highest awards in school are our Ambassadors Awards. These are 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 our role models. They are the BEST advert our school could ever ask for! Our Alder classmates, Olivia and Aaron, received these awards at the end of term.

Congratulations to all of these children receiving Code of Conduct and Ambassador Awards; we look forward to rewarding more of our fabulous children throughout the year.

Congratulations!

Huge congratulations to Mrs Ellie Warby who is expecting a baby this Spring! Mrs Warby will be starting her maternity leave at half term and we wish her and her family every happiness. Miss Claire Bearfield will be joining us in Willow Class as a new addition to our team and has already met our wonderful Hares and Hedgehogs.

A Special Goodbye

Thank you and goodbye to two of our longstanding staff members, Mrs Purslow and Mrs Wesley, for all of their hard work and dedication to our school community. We wish each of them every success in their exciting new roles within and beyond the Trust.

A Special Visitor...

On Tuesday 16th January, we will be joined in Collective Worship by representatives from the Trust, St. James' Church and the Diocese, to welcome the Bishop of Worcester, John Inge to our school. Bishop John will be blessing our school and our vision, he will also be opening our 'Reflection and Prayer Space'. This is a beautiful area of our school, which has been created by the children with the artist Alex Jolly, a parent, our PTA Chairperson and Learning and Engagement Manager for The New Art Gallery, Walsall. It is a place which enables children of all faiths and none, to make personal reflections and to explore life questions, spirituality and faith in a safe, creative and peaceful way.

Rainbows and Recipes - Time with your precious ones

After the success of our 'Marvellous Me' course, we will be running the 'Rainbow and Recipes' family learning group this term. This is a great chance to learn new recipes and skills and spend some quality time with your child, exploring new foods and tastes (all food is provided). Sessions run for 10 weeks, every Wednesday at 9am-11am. Join us if you can for an introductory session on Wednesday 10th January. It would be great if we could get a few more families to attend. Children come out of class to join their parents for part of the sessions. If you are interested in joining the group please email office@har.saet.co.uk or speak to Miss Gledhill or our Parent Champions, Shazz Broomfield and Nikki Best.







Cold Weather - Appropriate clothing

Please can all children be sent to school with a coat during the winter period. We only have very limited spares and, unfortunately, not in all sizes so we very much appreciate you wrapping up your little (and big) ones as warmly as possible.

Book Cafe and Swap Shop – Friday 26th January

Thank you everyone who came to our first Book Cafe and Swap Shop! It was great to see so many of you there, sharing stories and enjoying our library. Our next Book Cafe and Swap Shop event will be on Friday 26th January 2024 from 3:15 until 4.00pm. Come and enjoy a hot drink and a story with your children and bring books to swap to keep your collection at home fresh. Staff will also read a story and share some tips on how to support reading at home. Everyone is welcome - parents, grandparents and siblings! We hope to see lots of you there.

Monthly Church Worship - Thursday 1st February @ 9.00am

Please join us at St. James' Church on Thursday 1st February 2024 for our monthly Church Collective Worship assembly at 9.00am. Our Worship Group and Reverend Winter will lead an assembly to celebrate Candlemass.

Happy Eco New Year!

Firstly, thank you to everyone who helped make our first Christmas jumper exchange a success - it was lovely to see so many children receive and donate jumpers and we hardly had any left; those few remaining have been donated to charity so thank you again! As we move into 2024, we will be continuing our efforts to gain our Plastic Free School accreditation and each class now has reusable glue sticks which we are very happy about! You can play your part by making sure your child has a reusable water bottle and lunch box and remember, we have lots of recycling facilities available at school: batteries, crisp packets, pens and printer cartridges can all be recycled at Hartlebury! As always, if you have any suggestions as to how we can make our school a greener place, please do get in touch!

Safeguarding News

https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en

Money Helper



Where to get free debt advice

If you're struggling with debt, it can be hard to know where to turn. But with lots of free advice services available across the UK, you can find help in a way that's best for you.

Free Debit Adviser, click this link above and search for support in your local town.



Worcester City (Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 11am—2pm) 0808 2082138

7 Lowesmoor Wharf, Worcester WR1 2RS, UK

<u>Droitwich</u> (Tues 1pm—3pm & Fri) 07532 130604 / 07532 130604

Droitwich Baptist Church, Ombersley Street East, WR9 8QS

Redditch & Bromsgrove (Mon—Thursday 11am —2pm & Fri 10am—1pm) 01527 69161

Number 24, Church Green East, Redditch, B98 8DE

Food Banks

Malvern Hills Foodbank (Mon— 10.15am—12.30pm, Tues 1pm— 3.15pm, Thurs 10.15am—12.30pm) 07529 322985

Unit 4, Spring Court, Spring Lane South, Malvern, WR14 1AT

Pershore (Tues 11am— 1pm, Fri 1pm— 3pm) 01386555347

St Andrews, Church Walk, Pershore, WR10 1BH

<u>Kidderminster</u> (Mon, Wed & Fri 12:30pm—3pm) 015262 916555 Unit 9, Swan Shopping Centre, Blackwell Street, Kidderminster DY10 2DP

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.

Sports News

PE Days - Spring 1

A reminder that children need to wear Hartlebury P.E. kit to school on their P.E. days (yellow tshirt, burgundy jumper or hooded jumper and black shorts or jogging bottoms with suitable trainers). For this half term, the P.E Days are as follows:

Year 1 - Thursday

Year 2 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 3 - Monday and Thursday

Year 4 - Monday and Friday (Swimming on a Friday)

Year 5 - Wednesday and Friday (Swimming on a Friday)

Year 6 - Tuesday and Friday

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We are recruiting for a lunchtime supervisor at Hartlebury CofE Primary School. If you or anyone you know are interested in this position, please contact the school office by calling 01299 250312 or email office@har.saet.co.uk for further details. Further information and other job opportunities within our Trust, are available on the SAET website https://saet.co.uk/joining-us/staff-vacancies/

Diary Dates

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

January

Tuesday 16th January – Bishop of Worcester Visit to Hartlebury

Thursday 18th January – Dinosaur Day Special Lunch menu

Hearing Tests for Reception age children

Friday 26 January – Book Cafe and Swap Shop

February

Thursday 1st February – Candlemass at St. James' Church 9.00am

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day

Monday 12th - Friday 16th February - Half Term