

Hartlebury CE Primary School

June 2024

Newsletter

Our School Vision



Code of Conduct and Ambassadors Awards

Welcome back to a new term and the final Summer term. We hope that you have all had an enjoyable half term.

We begin this month's newsletter with a roll call of our Summer Term 1 Code of Conduct and Ambassador Award recipients. Congratulations to all of these children for this well-deserved recognition of great behaviour. We are very much looking forward to awarding more children later in the Summer term.

Code of Conduct Awards Summer 1:

Karah
Louie
Samuel
Layla
Eden
Phoebe
Jack
Willow
Amber
Joshua
Oliver
Noah

Ambassador Awards Summer 1:

Joseph
Lexie

Exciting Staff News!

A huge congratulations to Mrs Hall and Miss Porter who have both secured positions in new schools from September 2024. Whilst we are sad to see them leave after many years of exemplary teaching, we are very excited for them as they embark on their new journeys. Mrs Hall will be working as a Forest School Lead in the private sector and Miss Porter has taken on a leadership role within another Worcestershire school. We wish them both the very best for the future.

Joining Mrs Anneke Barrett as a new teacher to our school will be Miss Daisy Westwood in Year 2. We are incredibly excited about these appointments. Both teachers will be completing some transition days with their new classes prior to their September starts.

Further to news of her retirement, Mrs Wares has decided to stay on in Year 4 for the academic year 2024 - 2025! Mrs Vernon and Mrs Wares will continue in their well-embedded job share teaching roles.

We also welcome back Miss Thomas and Mrs Wilton this term, both of whom have been much missed by staff and pupils alike.

One Big Solution Winner!

Big-thinkers from Hartlebury CE Primary School beat off strong competition to scoop first place in a contest with their solution to the global scourge of litter pollution. The annual Big Idea competition, run for primary schools within the Wyre Forest-based Severn Academies Educational Trust, invited pupils to choose a world-wide problem and come up with plans to solve it. The Hartlebury team wowed the judges with their teamwork and plans for robot litter pickers and won £1,000 for their school.

Teams of children from Years 3 and 4 from the trust's six primary schools spent a day identifying, discussing and solving issues including famine, climate change and mental health and wellbeing. Each school team was supported by their two Year 6 Trust Council leaders, who helped to guide them.

Judges, including environmental expert Daisy Askins, from Astley Skylarks, trust chair of trustees Wendy Taylor and senior trust officials, chose Hartlebury as the stand-out group. Organiser Ian James, Executive Headteacher of St Bartholomew's CE Primary School, said: "It was a tough decision as all the teams showed great understanding, excellent teamwork and came up with a host of super solutions."



The other schools taking part were Far Forest Lea Memorial CE Primary Academy, Stourport Primary Academy, Wilden All Saints CE Primary School and Wolverley Sebright Primary Academy. Well done Hartlebury... We are so proud to have won!

Monthly Church Worship - Thursday 6th June at 9.00am - Special D Day Memorial Service

Please join us at St. James' Church on **Thursday 6th June 2024** for our monthly Church Collective Worship assembly at 9.00am led by our Worship Group and Reverend Homer.

NSPCC Childhood Day – Friday 7th June

We will be facilitating the NSPCC Childhood Day Mile Run on Friday 7th June, throughout the school day. Children will be taught about the work of the NSPCC and invited to run or walk a mile on the playing fields. If you would like to find out more about the mile or donate to this cause, please follow this direct link: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/ways-to-give/donate/>

International Day of Play - Tuesday 11th June

Play opens up a whole world of possibilities. That's why we are celebrating the United Nations General Assembly decision to adopt an annual International Day of Play, on the 11th of June. We did this because we believe that every child can reach their full potential, with the time, space and access to play. Class teachers will inform you directly of their plans for this day.

Key Stage 1 and 2 Assessments

The Year 1 Phonics Screen and Year 2 Phonics Retest (for children who did not pass In Year 1) are also governed by a national timetable and commence the week beginning **Monday 10th June**. If you have any days that you know your child is not going to be in, please let us know ASAP and we will try to arrange assessments accordingly, where possible. Year 4 pupils have a statutory Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) to complete in the fortnight beginning **Monday 3rd June to Friday 14th June 2024**.

Music Workshops 11th June - EYFS and 18th June - Year 1 The Big Bug Jamboree

Our youngest pupils will be taking part in Music Festivals this month at our Trust partner schools, Stourport Primary School and St Bartholomew's Primary School. Please check your Arbor emails for details, including how to make payment on ParentPay, allowing us to proceed with these exciting events.

Eco News - Mrs Branagh

I am very pleased to announce that Hartlebury will be taking part in 'Recycle to Read' again this year! This is a fantastic eco scheme which takes old, unwanted toys and exchanges them for book vouchers! We can earn up to £200 in book vouchers for every tonne of toys we donate and there is no limit to how many we can collect.

Therefore, we are asking our wonderful families to have a look at home and see if there are any toys that your children have outgrown that you would be happy to donate. They must be in relatively good condition but it is a great and easy way to declutter and get rid of unwanted toys.

Please see the poster displayed on the playground to see what you can and cannot donate. Please either send your old toys into the school office or to myself (Mrs Branagh) in the Year 5 classroom by Friday June 21st.



School Council Sponsored Sports Circuit Event - Monday 24th June

Following the success of last year's Sponsored Sports Circuit for Acorns Children Hospice, we are repeating the event this year to raise funds for a charity that was chosen by the children. This year, the children have decided to raise money for Alzheimer's Society. This event will be taking place on **Monday 24th June** and is being organised by the School Council. The children will be challenged to complete a sports skill for 15 minutes around the playground. Children can skip, dribble a football, use a hockey stick and ball, bounce a basketball or balance a tennis ball on a racket, all whilst moving around a circuit. The challenge is to complete the course as many times as you can within the timeframe. By taking part, we are hoping to raise as much money as we can for the children's chosen charity and we will kindly be asking family and friends who are able to support us, for sponsorship of children who are taking part in this fundraising challenge. Further details will be sent home in the coming days. As always, a big, big thank you in advance of this exciting event.

Father's Day Lunch - Friday 14th June - (Except Pre-School and Year 4)

We are very excited and pleased to be hosting our annual Fathers' Day Lunch on Friday 14th June 2024. If you would like to join your child in school for a special lunch to celebrate Fathers' Day, please book your meal by clicking on the following link: [Father's Day Lunch](#)

Payment will need to be made separately through your ParentPay account, by Monday 10th June 2024. If your child is in pre-school and they do not attend school on a Friday, unfortunately you will not be able to attend the event this time.

If you do not want a hot lunch from school, you are more than welcome to still come along and bring a packed lunch with you. The children's lunch for this day should be booked and paid for in the usual way.

This is always a popular and lovely event and we look forward to seeing as many of our Dad's as possible. Allocated time slots will be sent out in a separate email.

Royal Three Counties Show - Friday 14th June

We are incredibly excited to have been invited to perform for the Diocese at their stand at the Royal Three Counties Show this year. Hazel Class have been asked to represent the school in the Diocese performance tent and will also be able to enjoy the show exhibits around their performance time. We appreciate that this date is the same as our school's annual Father's Day Lunch and that they will miss this (younger/older siblings will remain in school) but we hope you will agree, that this is a wonderful opportunity for the class and that they will have a lovely time at the show. Tickets for the show itself can be found [here](#) should parents/carers or other family members wish to attend.

National School Sports Week (17th June-24th June)

We are so excited to be celebrating **National Schools Sports Week** again in 2024 from **Monday 17th June - Monday 24th June**.

Children will need to come into school wearing **P.E. kit** every day during sports week!

Monday 17th June - Street dance workshops kindly paid for by the PTA. Oddstepperz Enrichment Days are fun, lively, educational and an opportunity to be seized! In a nutshell, the day will consist of dance lessons throughout the day that consist of a short routine specific to one of the styles such as Popping, Locking and Breaking or Hip Hop, as well having the opportunity to learn tricks that the children involved can take home to impress their friends and family.

Tuesday 20th June & Wednesday 21st June - Olympics Themed house time. On these days, please send your child into school wearing a t-shirt the colour of their house:

Bishops Wood - Green

Castle - Yellow

Leapgate - Red

Hilditch Pool - Blue

Children will take part in Olympics themed activities with the other children in their house!

Thursday 22nd June - Alternative Sports Day - children will take part in a disability sport with the help of coaches from the Wyre Forest School Sports Partnership.

Friday 23rd June - Tennis Day with Stourport Tennis Club!

Monday 24th June - Sponsored Sports Skills Circuit raising money for the Alzheimer's Society charity. More information can be found above. We hope that the children will be just as excited as we are!

Walk to School Week - Monday 1st - Friday 5th July

This week is **Walk to School Week**, which encourages children to travel actively to school each day, ideally by walking instead of driving or taking public transport, or by scooting or cycling for those who live further away. For each day that children actively travel to school, they will earn 3 house points. This could make the house point shield winner very interesting this week!

Sports Morning – Friday 5th July

We will be holding our Sports Day between 9am and 12pm on Friday 5th July this year on the school field. We hope that you will all be able to join us to cheer your children on.

Early Years will go first and aim to start just after 9am. Children who are not in Pre School on this day are welcome to attend for the duration of the Early Years Sports Day. For children remaining, we will take them back into school whilst KS1 and KS2 have their races 10am - 12pm. Children will all be back in school for their lunchtimes and afternoon sessions.

Summer Reminders

With the Summer Term now in full swing, we are looking forward to some good weather, continuing our outdoor learning on our fabulous field and in Forest School. The children will be making full use of these facilities, making dens, exploring our adventure equipment and enjoying lots of sporting activities. Consequently, here are a few reminders:

Covering legs and arms for Forest School Please consider the clothes your children wear for Forest School; there are nettles and brambles in this area so covered arms and legs are advised. Class teachers will inform parents if children have a slot booked in Forest school this term.



Sunhats and Sun Cream Please send your child into school with sun cream already applied and a sun hat or cap when it is appropriate for the weather.

Water Bottles Please ensure your child always has a water bottle in school. They will be allowed water to drink whenever they require it during the school day. We ask that the children limit their intake of sugary drinks and request they have sugar free squash at lunch and break times only.

Summer Fayre and Hartlebury's Got Talent Final – Friday 12th July from 1.30pm

We will once again be holding our Summer Fayre on the field this July. As always, there will be much to look forward to with stalls, a bouncy castle, refreshments and of course, our Hartlebury's Got Talent Grand Final. We invite all pupils with special talents they wish to share, to start practising now!

Children need to prepare and practice at home and show off their talent during the class heats to be held **Monday 1st July 2024**. Each class will then vote for who is going forward to the final.

This year, we are inviting parents and carers to take part too! Look out for details about the contest and more Summer Fayre news, coming soon!

Updated NSPCC Online Safety Workshop information

The Keeping Children Safe workshop is now [online](#) (opens in new window) and provides parents and carers with information about how to support their child in their online world. The 40-minute pre-recorded presentation covers topics such as online bullying, mental health, and social media, as well as signposting to resources and organisations for help and support.

PE Days - Summer Term 2

Your child's PE days will remain the same throughout the second half of the summer term. Please ensure children are wearing Hartlebury PE kit on these days (no football kits please)!

We do have some additional sporting opportunities for children this half term but your child's teacher will email you directly if children need to wear a PE kit on additional days.

Reception - Friday

Year 1 - Monday

Year 2 - Tuesday & Friday

Year 3 - Wednesday & Thursday

Year 4 - Tuesday & Friday

Year 5 - Wednesday & Friday

Year 6 - Monday & Thursday

After school activities - Summer Term 2

See below our exciting Summer Term 2 after school activity offer. Spaces are filling up quickly so please get in touch if you'd like to sign your child up for any of the clubs!

After School Activities – Summer Term 2

Please see below the After-School Activities that are taking place throughout the second half of the Summer Term for Years R to Year 6.

Monday 3rd June – Thursday 18th July 2024

Please note that unless stated, all activities are gender neutral.

ALL CHILDREN WILL BE COLLECTED BY PARENTS/CARERS ON PLAYGROUND 3 FROM A MEMBER OF STAFF.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Summer Sports Club (Rounders, Athletics, Cricket etc)</p> <p>with Miss Harris</p> <p>Years 3, 4, 5 & 6</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p> <p>16 spaces available</p> <p>Outdoor PE clothes, old trainers.</p> <p>This will take place on the playground or in the hall if it is raining.</p>	<p>Football</p> <p>with Kidderminster Harriers</p> <p>Years 4, 5 & 6</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p> <p>16 spaces available</p> <p>Outdoor PE clothes, old trainers or football boots and shin pads.</p> <p>This will take place on the field.</p>	<p>Golf</p> <p>with Droitwich Golf Club</p> <p>Years 3, 4, 5 & 6</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p> <p>16 spaces available</p> <p>Outdoor PE clothes, old trainers.</p> <p>This will take place on the field.</p> <p><i>Starting Wednesday 12th June.</i></p> <p>Lego</p> <p>with Miss Harris</p> <p>Years R, 1 & 2</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p>	<p>Dance</p> <p>with Dancefest</p> <p>Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p> <p>16 spaces available</p> <p>Indoor PE clothes.</p> <p>This will take place in the hall.</p>	<p>Tennis</p> <p>with Stourport Tennis Club</p> <p>Years 2, 3 & 4</p> <p>3.15 – 4.15pm</p> <p>16 spaces available</p> <p>Outdoor PE clothes, trainers.</p> <p>This will take place on the playground.</p>

Diary Dates

14th June – Father's Day Lunch

17th - 21st June - Y5/6 Arete

17th - 24th June – National School Sports Week

5th July – Sports Morning

11th July – Year 5 & 6 Production (6pm for parents)

12th July – PTA Summer Fayre

16th July – End of Y6 Bowling & Pizza Party (4:30pm)

19th July – Y6 Leavers Service at the Church