

Hartlebury CofE Primary School Newsletter 13th January 2025



INTRODUCTION

Hello, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Primary Executive Head for your school.

An experienced headteacher of over 13 years and in the last 6 years, Executive Head of more than one school in our trust. My teaching career spans over nearly 30 years, having taught in every key stage of primary, including Early Years. I've led and continue to support SEN provision across the trust in addition to being an Ofsted inspector.

In addition to your school, I am also now the Executive Head for the five other primaries in our trust; Far Forest Lea Memorial, Stourport Primary, St Bartholomew's, Wilden and Wolverley Sebright.

I am thrilled to be moving into this role and look forward to spending more time in each of our amazing schools. We can learn so much from one another and by working in collaboration we will ensure all our children have the best opportunities in order to thrive, reach their full potential and enjoy school.

Mrs Shelley Reeves-Walters



DIARY DATES

Tuesday 14th January: Years 4/5 start swimming sessions.

NEW DATE Monday 27th January*:

Year 6 Parents SATs Information Session

Thursday 27th February - Monday 3rd March: SAET Authur Visits
(Details to follow)

NEW YEAR READING CHALLENGE

We're thrilled to announce the launch of our exciting Hartlebury Reading Challenge! This half-termly initiative is designed to inspire a love of reading at home and celebrate the joy of stories with your children.

Each child will be coming home with a Reading Challenge sheet tucked into their reading diary or homework folder. The challenges are tailored to their year group and feature a variety of fun and engaging tasks to complete. Once your child has completed a task, simply sign and date it in their reading diary, and their teacher will check their progress during weekly diary reviews.

Here's the exciting part:

- Completing all the tasks by the end of the half-term earns 50 reading points and a special Hartlebury Reading Reward!
- There are 4 half terms left this year, giving your child the chance to earn up to 200 reading points with a reward available for every 50 points!

But that's not all! Children who achieve the full 200 points will be invited to a fantastic Reading Party at the end of the year, a celebration of their hard work and commitment to reading.

We hope this challenge sparks excitement in your home and helps establish wonderful reading habits. Your involvement is key, and we encourage you to support your child in completing the tasks and fostering their love for reading. Thank you for your continued support—we can't wait to see all the brilliant reading happening at Hartlebury!

CONGRATULATIONS

More wonderful baby news! Mrs Forte is expecting her second child this summer. We send our heartfelt congratulations to her and her family during this special time.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Reception: 97.6% Year 4: 96.1% Year 5: 96.3% Year 1: 93.1% Year 2: 94% Year 6: 94.4%

Year 3: 91.9%

HOLLYBOBBLES

We are exceptionally proud of our Year 5 HollyBobbles. They have raised a total of £245.35 for the Molly Olly's charity so far this year. Thank you to the team and to all our children and families who supported this wonderful charity by purchasing bracelets and keyrings that the children had made last term.