

HARTSBOURNE NEWSLETTER

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The end of term is here already! For such a short half term the children have been incredibly busy! My personal highlight was my favourite day of the year, World Book Day! The children all looked fabulous and it was lovely to spend the day celebrating reading and hearing all about their favourite books.

As we move into the Summer term there is plenty going on. Please check the upcoming dates in this newsletter to ensure you know what is coming up for your year group. Miss Allen has been working very hard to streamline our communications and your Friday notices should contain all of the information that you need.

As well as lots going on in the curriculum, there will be some major changes for our school site. Our brand new sensory room should be finished over Easter and will be up and running for the children to use. In conjunction with the BSJT, we have also won a Conditions Improvement Fund (CIF) bid for a new roof. This is very much needed and will hopefully stop some of the deterioration of the building. Alongside this, work will be starting on our new nursery so lots of exciting changes happening.

This year has seen the revival of our Year 5&6 football team led valiantly by Coach Bidewell!



It has been a privilege to attend their matches and cheer them on. Their hard work was rewarded with their first win this week, winning 3-1 against Bournehall Primary School. We were all so proud of them. A huge thank you to two of our parents, Mr Weinrich for volunteering his time to support Mr Bidewell in training and Mr Burns for sponsoring our kit with his company <https://gear4sport.co.uk/>.

I would like to wish all of our families a happy and restful break. We look forward to seeing you all back on Tuesday 16th April.

Mrs Harte and the team at Hartsbourne



We Are Very Proud Of.....

Jasper for winning this gigantic Toblerone and very kindly sharing his winnings with us! The staff in the arcade were amazed as no one has won that game before!

Ori in Year 5 who achieved a merit in his RSL Grade 1 playing the guitar last week!

Nathan in Year 5 who came 10th out of 75 children in the cross country County finals, amazing!



Reading Maps

Well done to the following children for completing their reading maps.

Reception - Alfie, Mia and Rish

Year 1 - Bianca

Year 2 - Alex, Aurora and Eliana

Year 3 - Charlotte

Year 6 - Emilija

Vending Machine

Mason in Year 6 who was awarded a vending machine token for his fantastic and mature play leading skills.

Headteacher Bands

Bella in Year 3 for her beautiful writing.

Ellie and Jessica in Year 4 for their fantastic similes.

School Notices

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Summer Term Key Dates

Date	Event
9th, 10th and 11th April	Year 6 Easter Booster Sessions
Monday 15th April	INSET Day
Tuesday 16th April	First day of term and start of Bushey Theme Week
Tuesday 16th April	Pesach Assembly with Rabbi Feldman
Wednesday 17th April	Reception Place Allocations
Friday 19th April	‘Bushey in the Past’ Assembly for KS2
Wednesday 24th April	Year 2 Scooter Skills Workshop
Wednesday 24th April	Puppet Project Performance
Thursday 25th April	Year 4 Pedestrian Skills Workshop
Tuesday 30th April	Year 4 - British Museum
Wednesday 1st May	School Nursing Team - Height, weight, hearing and sight checks for Reception.
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
W/C Monday 13th May	KS2 SATS
Wednesday 15th May	Year 3 - Pizza Express Trip
Wednesday 22nd May	Class Photographs
Thursday 23rd May	Modern Foreign Language Leaders from BMS visiting Year 6
Friday 24th May	Friends of Hartsbourne - Crazy Hair Day



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Did you know that 90% of young people with attendance rates below 85% fail to achieve five or more good grades of GCSE and around one third achieve no GCSEs at all? By teaching our children about the importance of school attendance and punctuality at this young age we are setting them up for future success. It is much harder to get a teenager out of bed and into school on time when this hasn't been given priority in their formative years.

We are very fortunate that so many of our families enforce this message at home. Our children come to school regularly, they arrive on time, they are well rested, and ready to learn. We also appreciate how frustrating getting everyone up and out can be in the morning, and so if you would like our support please let us know. We do run attendance intervention programs with the children, with the aim of encouraging them to take responsibility for their own organisation and time management. We've seen great success across all year groups and are more than happy to help so please feel free to ask.

CURRENT ATTENDANCE WHOLE SCHOOL 95.1%

RECEPTION - 94.2%

YEAR 1 - 96%

YEAR 2 - 94%

YEAR 3 - 96.4%

YEAR 4 - 95.6%

YEAR 5 - 96.2%

YEAR 6 - 93.8%





Get Ready for Summer

Being the optimistic people we are here at Hartsbourne, we're hopeful that the Summer weather will arrive along with the Summer Term. We thought this would be a great time to answer those frequently asked questions when the sun comes out.

Sun Cream

We are unable to apply sun cream for your children, and due to potential allergies, we're also unable to allow children to share each other's sun cream nor provide it ourselves. On sunny days please apply sun cream to your children in the morning, and they are more than welcome to bring more with them so they can reapply it themselves during the day. We do ask that the bottles are **named** though.

Water Bottles

We do have drinking water available in all of our classrooms however we do ask that all children bring in a **named** water bottle each day during the summer term, as on hot days we do take children's water bottles outside for P.E and lunch break etc.

Hats and Caps

Please feel free to send your child in with a sun hat or cap on hotter days that they can wear outside. Again please ensure these are named so that when they're inevitable left lying around they have the best chance of making their way back to your children.

Hayfever

Many children suffer with hayfever at this time of year and so please remember that if your child requires and medication during this time you will need to complete the medication form on the school website, and drop any medication into the school office.





Class Specific Messages

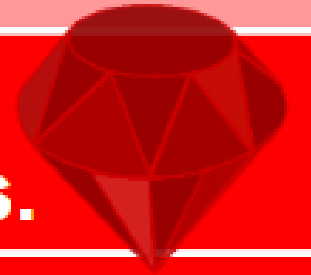


Year 4 - British Museum Trip

Details have been emailed out about the Year 4 trip on the 30th April. Consent for your child to attend the trip must be made via Arbor by **Monday 15th April** and this is also how you can pay your voluntary contribution.

As a reminder the link to put your name forward as a parent volunteer is <https://forms.gle/1erknvaZv4UqEwXj6>

Thursday 28th March 2024 – Ruby: supports other people with friendly smiles, gives praise and helps others to solve problems.



Year 1 – Alannah always helps others, gives praise and offers support. Fatima always offers friendly smiles and is eager to help friends solve problems.

Year 2 – Maddison always supports and praises her peers. Callum is a positive and kind learning partner who is always willing to help others.

Year 3 – Casey is always a supportive learning partner, whilst James seemingly makes it his mission to bring laughter and smiles into class every day.

Year 4 – Madeleine is always a positive and supportive presence in the class and Jesse goes out of his way to help his friends solve problems.

Year 5 – Natalia always gives support and praise to help those around her solve problems and Rafi has always got a huge smile on his face, bringing positivity into the classroom.

Year 6 – Tobias gives praise and has helped others solve their problems this week and Darcey always approaches problems with a friendly smile and supports others in the class.

Housepoints – Thursday 28th March 2024



Roe and Sika win!