Hartsbourne Newsletter - Spring Edition 2 - 04/02/22

It is hard to believe that we have nearly reached half term. As usual it has been a very busy term with lots going on! I am pleased to say that we are mostly back to our usual staffing levels and are hoping that this will continue in the lead up to half term. Our cases have dropped in the last seven days but we are still urging you to be vigilant and test your children if they are showing symptoms.

We have had a very exciting update from the Friends of Hartsbourne. Thanks to all of your support of their fundraising efforts, they are £1000 away from their fundraising total for our school library. A huge thank you to all of the parents that work tirelessly behind the scenes to keep Friends of Hartsbourne going. It really does make a difference to all of the children at the school. They are always looking for more parents to join the committee so please contact us if you are interested.

Next week is Feeling Good Week. We will be talking to the children about how to stay mentally healthy and giving them the opportunity to try new wellbeing activities. This will also include our half termly "Wellbeing Wednesday". We encourage you to speak to your children about what they have been learning and the importance of sharing how they are feeling.

Mrs Gunatissa has asked me to remind all parents that the children need to be in clothing that covers their arms and legs for <u>ALL</u> Forest School sessions. She has been working towards her Forest School qualification and is looking forward to trying some adventurous activities with the children but in order to do this safely it is very important that they are dressed appropriately. Anyone that is not wearing the correct clothing will not be able to participate in Forest School sessions.

At Hartsbourne we are happy to support the Guiding and Scout's 'Thinking Day'. If your child is a member of the Guiding & Scouting organisations (Rainbows, Beavers, Brownies, Cubs, Guides and Scouts), we invite them to wear their uniform to school on Tuesday 22 February.

Have a lovely weekend and we will see you all on Monday. Mrs Harte and all the staff at Hartsbourne

Upcoming Dates W/B 7th February - Feeling Good Week Monday 7th February - Yoga sessions EY and KS1 Monday 7th February - Art Workshop KS2 - Body Positivity Wednesday 9th February - Wellbeing Wednesday Half Term - W/B 14th February Tuesday 22nd February - Guiding & Scouts Thinking Day Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day Wednesday 9th March - Yr 3 Natural History Museum W/B 28th March - Year 6 to PGL Yr 5 Puppets Performance Week Friday 1st April - Last day of term Tuesday 19th April - INSET Day

Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd April - Science Week

Don't forget to follow us on social media.



Learning Gems & Housepoints

Amethyst: sees mistakes as learning opportunities and keeps calm when emotional.

Year 1 – Thelma and Eliana have both showed great perseverance in English lessons this week, even when they make mistakes

Year 2 – Jessica and Oliver understand that mistakes are how we learn and always take opportunities to learn from errors

Year 3 – Asiya worked diligently this week to correct her mistakes in maths and Amelie always keeps herself calm and collected in class

Year 4 – Hanasa is comfortable with making and fixing her mistakes in maths challenges and Heath keeps calm composure even when he's emotional.

Year 5 – Talya is an oasis of calm and always bounces back from her mistakes, and Olly showed great fortitude this week and always learns from his mistakes.

Year 6 – Lewis has kept calm in stressful situations and learned from his mistakes, and Lorenzo has bounced back and shown great resilience in his artwork.



Muntjac wins!

Number Day

Hot of the press! Today the children have been learning all about numbers. They participated in a children vs staff quiz, dressed up and tried out lots of different maths activities. Here is a selection of photos of the day.



We are very proud of...



Seb's home made Dienes blocks to help him with his homework.

Noah and Freddie who won the award for builder of the week out of all the school's that participate in Lego club! Well done for your amazing lego model of a bat!



Ruben's beautiful artwork that he drew and coloured in.

Panto **Panto**

Due to the rise in Omicron cases, the pantomime starring our very own Mr Harper has been postponed until the 4th and the 5th of March. Please see the poster below if you would like to book tickets to see him in action!



St James' Music & Drama Society Presents

The Pantomime

4 - 5 March 2022

7.30pm nightly, with 2.30pm Saturday matinee Bushey & Oxhey Methodist Church Box Office: ticketsource.co.uk/stjamesmad I 07930185573 Tickets £10 adults and £7.50 concessions



Get Playing at Hartsbourne Primary School



We are proud to be working in partnership with Hertfordshire Music Service as part of the national campaign by Music Mark called 'Get Playing'.

The Get Playing project has the ambition to enable and inspire 2,000 young people in Hertfordshire to start instrumental music lessons and we would like to offer an exciting opportunity to get into music.





At Hartsbourne Primary School we are going to be offering <u>half a term of free</u> <u>group lessons</u> for those who don't already learn these instruments.

Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone Trumpet, Trombone (School year 4 upwards)

We will **loan you the instrument for free**, over the duration of the lessons, and if you choose to continue lessons the loan will continue for the rest of the year.





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To sign up please visit https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/GetPlaying/ or scan the QR code





Covid - New Isolation Rules

How five-day isolation rule works in England



Isolation periods for people who test positive for COVID-19 have changed

From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with an LFD test on both day 5 and day 6 and do not have a temperature. The day when you developed symptoms or tested positive is counted as day zero.

For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to their education or childcare setting immediately on day 6.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported at: https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result?utm_source=18%20Ja nuary%202022%20C19&utm_medium=Daily%20Email%20C19 &utm_campaign=DfE%20C19

If the result of either test is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.