

# Hartsbourne Newsletter - Spring Edition 4 - 11/03/22

I would like to start this newsletter by thanking all of our parents and carers for their patience and understanding over the past week. Unfortunately we have been experiencing high levels of Covid again, this has resulted in us having to cover classes in different ways and close Reception last Monday. I would like to assure you that closing classes is always a last resort and we will explore every other option first. To help us try to contain the spread of Covid, please be vigilant for symptoms with your children. We have particularly high levels in years 4, 5 & 6 currently.

After feedback from the school council and child survey, we are looking at revamping the way that we run our lunchtimes. This revamp will include everything from the catering to the activities provided outside. Keep your ears open for updates over the next few months as we start to implement these exciting changes to make this part of the day more enjoyable for everyone!

Our whole team are incredibly sad about the situation in Ukraine and I know a few parents have asked if we are going to be talking about it with the children. Our thoughts on this are that it is a very emotive subject and it is up to individual families how they choose to address it with their children. We do not currently have plans to address it as a whole school in an assembly. In the older years where the children are talking about it, we will address it with as much impartiality as possible when questions arise. We have all agreed that if we are addressing any questions in KS2, all staff will use Newsround as an appropriate source. As a staff team, our thoughts are with everyone affected by this.

Parents evening is around the corner and we had originally planned for this to be face to face. However with our current staffing situation and rising Covid levels in hertsmere we have made the unwelcome decision to once again hold virtual meetings. We are very aware that parents will want to see their children's book and are planning ways to facilitate this in the first half of the Summer term. Details of parents evening appointments will be sent out next week.

We would like to thank Tesco's in Watford for their kind donation of toys for the children and £500 towards our outdoor library fund. We have now begun to source quotes for this project and are all very excited, thank you for your generosity and support of Friends of Hartsbourne fundraisers that have allowed this to happen. If any of our parents are builders and have a spare 10 minutes to give us some advice about the groundworks, that would be very much appreciated!

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

## Upcoming Dates

W/B 28th March - Year 6 to PGL

Thursday 31st March - Yr 5 Evening Puppets Performance

Friday 1st April - Last day of term - Finish at 2pm

Tuesday 19th April - INSET Day

Wednesday 20th - Friday 22nd April - Science Week

Friday 22nd April - FoH Spring Trail

Thursday 28th April - Yr 5 & 6 KNEX Challenge

W/B 9th May - Year 6 SATS Week

Tuesday 17th May - Class Photographs

Thursday 26th May - Friends of Hartsbourne Disco

Friday 27th May - INSET Day

W/B Monday 30th May - Half Term

**Don't forget to follow us on social media.**

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# Learning Gems & Housepoints

**Diamond: independent and responsible, solving our own problems and knowing the next steps in our learning.**

Year 1 – Makenzie has shown the courage to work more independently and Maliha resolves problems sensibly and fairly.

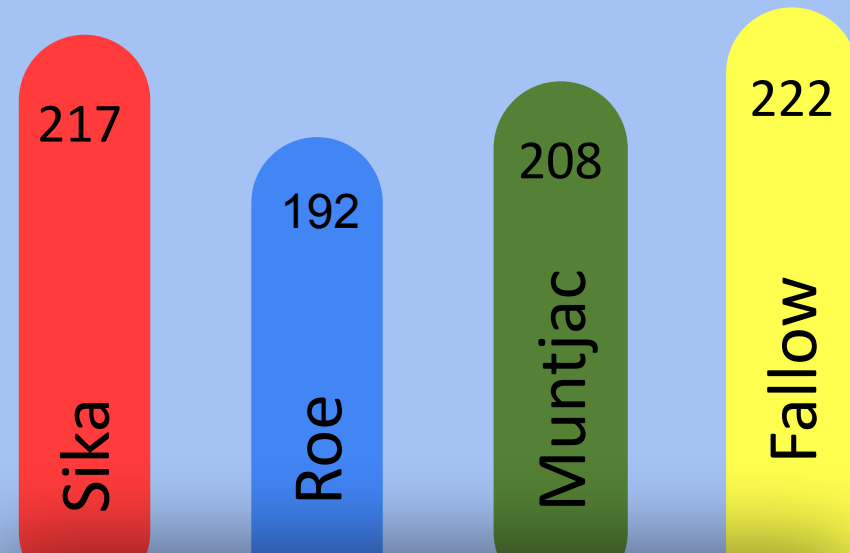
Year 2 – Oscar and Oliver are both independent in their learning and responsible members of their year group.

Year 3 – Sienna and Ori are both responsible members of Year 3 and can always be relied upon to be independent learners and problem solvers.

Year 4 – Vivienne solves maths challenges independently and Felix takes responsibility for his next steps in reading and writing.

Year 5 – Olly is a fantastic team player who brings out the best in others and Dimitri is great at helping others and listening to their opinions.

Year 6 – Nikita takes her time and recognises her next steps when working independently and Jensen solved his own problems when making bread this week!



**Fallow wins!**

# Year 3 Trip to the Natural History Museum





# World Book Day

World Book day was so much fun for staff and children! We had parades, golden ticket hunts, exploding medicine and door decorating! This included a particularly cheeky door display by Year 6!



## Hartsbourne Reading Journey

Huge congratulations to the following children who have completed their Reading Journey's.

Reception - Sebastian, Grace, Rafferty, Ivy, Harry, Eliana and Aurora

Year 1 - Malachy, Casey, Louis, Dominic

Year 2 - Sophia C, Oscar

Year 4 - Elwood

Most popular books so far have been Errol's Garder, Claude in the City, The Boy in the Back of the Class and Malamander! Don't forget that your children can access copies of all the books in the school library, thanks to Friends of Hartsbourne.





## HOLIDAY CLUB

For children aged  
3-12 years

Hartsbourne  
Primary School,  
Bushey, WD23 1SJ  
8.00am to 6pm

- £32.00 for a full day
- £29 for a sibling
- £17 per morning or afternoon
- £140 full week (Monday - Friday)

Child Care Vouchers  
accepted



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## HOLIDAY CLUB



**What will  
you choose?**

Messy Mayhem Harry Potter Experience

Kin-Ball Yoga & Mindfulness

Creative Cooks I'm a Kid Get Me Out of Here

Crafty Creations Sports Action

Nerf Challenge Wacky Races Puppet Making

Mission Impossible Pottery Whodunnit

Dodgeball Jewellery Making

Treasure Quest Escape Room Olympics

Barmi Origami Hockey

**and many more...**

Our timetables change every week so please check the  
website for latest activity timetables