

School Notices

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After School Club - September 2024

Having an after school club at Hartsbourne has been at the top of our wish list for a number of years now. We didn't want to sacrifice any of the great clubs that are already here, so space was an issue, as was finding a company who would work with us to build it.

We are delighted to have teamed up with Topkidz who are keen to set up an after school provision at Hartsbourne, and we have also looked at how we use the rooms within the school to fit their needs so that our other clubs can continue to run.

Of course this will all only happen if there are enough people who will use it.

To help them offer a suitable service at Hartsbourne, kindly take a few moments to fill out their questionnaire.

[Online Form - Topkidz Questionnaire: Hartsbourne Primary School, Bushey - February/March 2024](#)



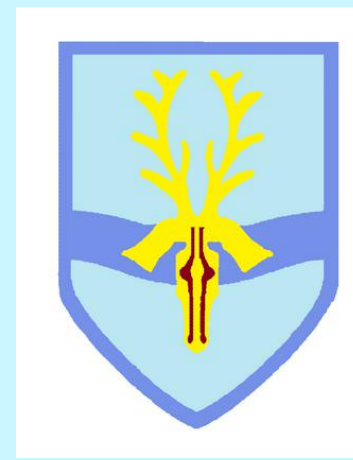
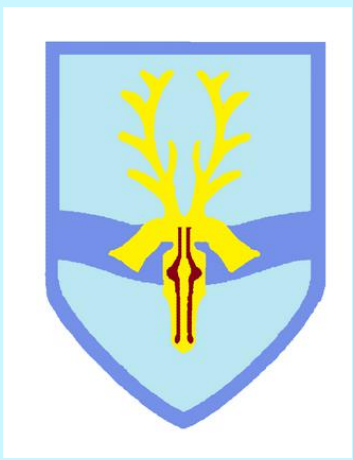
World Book Day

Thursday 7th March

Come to school dressed up as a character from your favourite book or in your pyjamas ready for a bedtime story, and enjoy a day that celebrates books and a love of reading.

We've had some brilliant Extreme Reading Challenge photos submitted already, but there's still time to add yours to Google Classroom if you've not yet done so.





Pencil Cases in KS2

We love the fact that the children come to school so well-equipped with stationery. It helps us to promote a sense of independence and organisation in the children regarding their belongings, which will serve them well at secondary school. It also means that we can funnel our budget into other resources that will support learning, rather than constantly supplying children with pens and pencils.

However, in some classes, the size and number of pencil cases has become an issue. Children should only have one pencil case and it should fit in their trays (which have a depth of roughly 10cm). Multiple pencil cases and the presence of unnecessary or huge amounts of stationery are creating distractions during lessons and, in some cases, damaging children's trays.

Fidget Toys and Items from Home

We have noticed a large number of children bringing fidget toys to school without any prior consultation with class teachers. We are always willing to consider reasonable adjustments which enhance children's learning and we have seen a small number of children genuinely benefit from fidget toys or other such resources and have invested in them ourselves. Unfortunately we have noted that in the vast majority of cases they are causing distractions rather than their intended outcome of increasing concentration. If you feel that your child would benefit from using a fidget toy, please discuss this with their class teacher. Otherwise, children should not be bringing toys to school and we cannot be held responsible should they get damaged or lost.



Class Specific Messages



Year 6 - Easter Holiday Booster Sessions

Mr Willimott will hold three morning Easter booster sessions to help the children prepare for SATs. The sessions will begin at 9.00am and finish at 12.00pm with regular breaks in between.

Session dates: 9th, 10th and 11th April

Please complete this form to book your child onto any or all of the sessions.

Booster Booking Form

Year 5 - Bushey Synagogue

This is just a quick reminder that Year 5 will be visiting Bushey Synagogue on **Monday 11th March**. Please could the boys bring in a cap or hat that they will be comfortable wearing for the trip, as they will need to wear them in the synagogue?