



Hartest Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been a real excitement this week among the children and staff at Hartest, watching our fantastic new trim trail and play equipment take shape! Despite some extreme weather, may I take this opportunity to thank Damon, Mark and Tom from Pentagon Play for working tirelessly this week and being so accommodating. It is nearly finished and looks brilliant! Children have been fascinated and it was a joy to see them sat along the field, watching the trim trail take shape! As you are aware, our intention is to have this available for community use outside of school hours, and we are still awaiting the arrival of the necessary signage and upgrades to the school site in order to do this. Although the trim trail work is scheduled to finish tomorrow (Saturday), I would ask that children are supervised when using the equipment outside of school hours.

Our recent parent consultation evenings were very well attended, and it was good to be able to talk informally to parents. Thank you to parents for the overwhelmingly positive responses to the parent questionnaires that were given out. It was particularly good to hear from parents that children are happy here, and the affirmation of how Hartest School has grown and improved in recent months. What was most useful were the suggestions regarding clubs and extra-curricular activities, and also clarification of expectations for homework. I very much value suggestions from parents (and pupils!) and will be looking at this in the coming weeks.

It is an exciting time at Hartest School, with so many projects and initiatives underway which will enhance our curriculum and enable us to give our children the very best. Just a reminder that Paul Foster's Ironman Challenge is coming up fast; on 26th May, Paul is raising money through his Ironman Lanzarote to raise much needed funds to replace the computers at school, which really are due for replacement. Thank you so much for your support for this, and please do continue to spread the word. Paul's crowd funding page can be found at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/p-foster-2

I was delighted also to hear of another event which will raise much needed funds for the school. The Queen's Head in Hawkedon are hosting a Father's Day quiz night on 17th June. Tickets are £20 per team of four, and the profits from the quiz night will go to Hartest School! We are very grateful to Scott Chapman and all at The Queen's Head for this – please save the date in your diaries, and tickets are available from them on 01284 789218 or www.hawkedonqueen.co.uk

Lastly, may I wish you all a happy and dry bank holiday weekend!

Matthew Coombs
Head Teacher.

