



Hartest Primary School

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“Developing the whole child”

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Kestrels had a fantastic time this week visiting Adastral Park at a special event for schools, organised and run by BT. They learned about coding, and were able to race the robots they had programmed. Barnaby said “I won the crumble bot race with Henry and Tyler – we did lots of programming with the crumble bots!” and Jack said “At Adastral Park we learned how we make robots move and go round corners – if they touched the black line they would go the other way.”

In all our classes, children have had another great week packed with learning, and well done to our Pupils of the Week, Josh, Lyra, and Sam, who have shown particularly excellent learning behaviour.

Harvest

Thank you to the large number of parents and relatives who attended our Harvest Service last Friday at the church. The children did brilliantly leading us all in the service, and Sudbury Storehouse Foodbank are very grateful indeed for the donations of food, which will directly help those in need in our local area.

Friends of Hartest School

As was mentioned in last week’s newsletter, I would like to extend thanks on behalf of our school community to the retiring FoHS committee. Our sincere gratitude goes to Michele, Hollie, Julia and Ellie for all their hard work in supporting the school.

We are delighted to welcome the new committee; Philippa, Dee, Alice, Katie and Faye and look forward to working with them.

Their first event will be a ‘Spooky Cake Sale’ on Wednesday 31st October. We invite you to bring in your spooktacular offerings on the day, to be sold by FoHS after school!

Governors

As some of you will be aware, Mrs Mary Burr retired this week as our Chair of Governors. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my profound thanks to her for her years of dedication and support for the school. Mrs Burr remains a governor, but at our Local Governing Body meeting earlier this week, Rev. Patrick Prigg was elected Chair of Governors, supported by two Vice Chairs, Mrs Kate Long and Mr David Ackroyd. We also welcome two new members to our Governing Body, Dr Stephen Welfare and Mrs Jackie Crisp. We look forward to working with them. We also say goodbye to Mrs Hollie Kidby, who has stood down as a parent governor due to work commitments. I would like also to extend our thanks to her. This means there is now a vacancy for a parent governor – please read the attached letter and speak to Mrs Prickett, myself, or one of the governors, if you would like more information about taking on the role of a Parent Governor.

Early Years Garden

After the prompt and successful removal of the old concrete tunnels, another plea! Do any of our farming families have a large old tractor tyre or two that they could donate? This is for making into a 'mud kitchen' area in our Early Years garden, so needs to be safe for children to use. Hope someone can help – please get in touch with the school office!

Lastly, just a reminder that our parent consultation evenings take place next week. If you haven't already signed up, please do so on the board outside school, or ring the school office if you are unable to do this in person. Thank you.

Wishing you all a happy and relaxing weekend,



Mr M Coombs
Headteacher

