



# Hartest Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back everyone! As we reach the end of our first full week back, I am delighted at how well all the children have settled back into school, and may I extend a particular welcome to all our new children in Hedgehog Class – they have had a great start to the year.

Thank you to those of you who supported the Hartest Summer Fete on 27<sup>th</sup> August. The fete was a huge success and may I extend a big thank you to members of All Saints Church and the Friends of Hartest for all their hard work. It was very well supported by the community and raised approximately £3200 for the school!

It has been a very busy start to the term, and children in Owls and Kestrels have had a great time this week at Kingswood in West Runton, Norfolk, enjoying outdoor and adventurous activities such as abseiling, bouldering, climbing, fencing and problem solving challenges! As well as being fun, activities such as these are an important part of the Key Stage 2 curriculum and we are delighted in how well the children have done this week.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of a few things coming up this term. After the success of last year, we are once again holding our own ‘Hartest Bake Off’ on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Children will once again be able to make cakes and these will then be sold at the end of the day to raise funds for the school. Further details to follow, but parents are invited to join us for this at 2.15pm in the school hall. We will also be able to announce the winners of the Hartest Gardening Club competition.

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, we invite parents to join us in All Saints Church at 2.00pm for our Harvest Celebration. This will be led by the children and once again we would welcome donations of non-perishable food items in aid of Sudbury Storehouse, as well as fresh produce to decorate the church. Please put these dates in your diaries!

Once again. We are delighted that all our children are able to make the most of outdoor learning opportunities each Friday in Forest School. Sessions for Hedgehogs take place each Friday morning, whereas Squirrels and Kestrels are taught Friday afternoons, on a half termly rolling programme. This half term it is Squirrels, so both Squirrels and Hedgehogs will need their Forest School kit each Friday. We are always after parent helpers to help with the sessions, but ask that parents of new reception children do not help in their child’s own class at the moment – however parents of reception children would be very welcome to assist with Squirrels! If you can spare some time on Fridays, please see Mrs Prickett in the school office.

Lastly, we are delighted that we now have our breakfast club up and running! Just a reminder that it is £3.50 per session, including breakfast, and runs from 8.00am each morning. Places can be booked in advance from the school office.

Wishing you all a happy and relaxing weekend,

Mr M Coombs  
Headteacher.