



Hartest Primary School

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"Developing the whole child"

20th July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Children have had a brilliant time this week performing in our whole school production of Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. All the performances were very successful and well received by the audience, and as I mentioned at the end of the performances, it shows the enthusiasm and team work which is so much in evidence at Hartest, and another great example of our exciting curriculum provision. Thank you to parents for supporting this, by helping with learning of lines and costumes, as well as being such great audiences!



Buildings and Grounds Update

As we approach the end of term, I would like to take this opportunity to make parents aware of what is happening on the school site over the summer. As you are aware, the governors and I have worked closely with the Parish Council to make the field available to the community outside of school hours. This is indeed happening from the 1st August onwards, but there will be substantial building work also taking place over the summer.

I am delighted that some major refurbishment is taking place, including renewing parts of the roof, replacing all the cladding and many of the windows, and giving much needed attention to the dormers. Work begins on 25th July and for health and safety reasons, the entire site will be out of bounds from 25th-31st July, whilst scaffolding and safety fencing are erected, and existing materials are removed. Please be aware of this and bear with us. All building work will be completed by 1st September, ready for the start of term.

However, I am pleased that from 1st August, the field and play equipment will be open for the public to use from 9am-9pm, as agreed with the Parish Council. Whilst the building work is going on, there will be no access to the school playground due to health and safety requirements and proximity of the building works. Community swimming and FoHS swimming sessions will be running during August, instead accessed via the Forest School entrance.

End of Term Arrangements

As we approach the end of term, I would like to remind parents that we finish on Tuesday 24th July with our end of term service. This begins at 1.45pm in All Saints Church and will last approximately 45 minutes. It will be a lovely way to end the school year.

We return to school on Thursday 6th September, and please see below an advance list of dates for your diaries.

I know we have another two school days to go, but as this is the last newsletter of the school year, may I take this opportunity to say a big well done to all the children for their hard work and achievements, and my sincere thanks to you for your support of the school throughout the year. It is very much appreciated.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Hartest Summer Fete on Monday 27th August, and I would like to wish you all a happy and restful summer break.

Kind regards,



Matthew Coombs
Head Teacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Monday 27 th August	Hartest Summer Fete
Wednesday 5 th September	PD Day – No children
Thursday 6 th September	Term starts – bell will be rung at 8.40am Kingswood pre visit meeting for Kestrels parents 3.30pm
Wednesday 12 th September	Kingswood Residential Kestrels
Thursday 13 th September	Kingswood Residential Kestrels
Friday 14 th September	Kingswood Residential Return approx. 2pm
Friday 21 st September	Individual School Photos
Wednesday 26 th September	Squirrels to Castle Hedingham
Thursday 4 th October	School Census Day
Friday 19 th October	PD Day – No Children
	<i>Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October - Half Term</i>
Friday 14 th December	Whole school Pantomime Trip to Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds <i>End of Term Wednesday 19th December</i>

Term Dates 2018 - 2019

Autumn Term 2018

PD Day	Wednesday 5 th September
Term Begins	Thursday 6 th September
PD Day	Friday 19 th October
Half Term	Monday 22 nd October to Friday 26 th October
Term Ends	Wednesday 19 th December

Spring Term 2019

Term Begins	Thursday 3 rd January
PD Day	Friday 15 th February
Half Term	Monday 18 th February to Friday 22 nd February
Term Ends	Friday 5 th April

Summer Term 2019

Term Begins	Wednesday 24 th April
PD Day	Friday 24 th May
Half Term	Monday 27 th May to Friday 31 st May
PD Day	Friday 21 st June
Term Ends	Wednesday 24 th July

NATIONAL TESTING WEEKS

****Please note no absences will be authorised during these dates****

Key Stage 2 SATs	Week commencing 13 th May
Key Stage 1 Test Period	Weeks commencing 13 th May & 20 th May
Phonics Screening (Yr 1 & 2)	Week commencing 10 th June