



# Hartest Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been delighted that so many of our children have been able to go out and about, participating in activities which enrich their learning at Hartest! Last Friday, our Year 4 pupils went to Thomas Gainsborough School to participate in a Quicksticks hockey tournament; all the children played really well and achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall. A big well done to them all.

On Monday, our Year 3 pupils also represented Hartest at a sports competition, this time Basketball Skills at Ormiston Sudbury Academy. They enjoyed working with the junior sports leaders at OSA and learning basketball skills alongside children from other local primary schools. Both our teams played well and showed the values and ethos which are so much in evidence at Hartest.

Earlier in the week also, our Year 6 pupils had the opportunity to take part in Crucial Crew at AFC Sudbury – the Sudbury Rotary Club organised special workshops for Year 6 pupils from the local area, where they learned vital skills about keeping themselves safe, what to do in an emergency, peer pressure and making safe choices.

Our Collective Worship Value for this half term is **JUSTICE**



Yesterday, children from Years 1-3 visited Longs Farm in Hartest to plant the first trees in ‘Jane’s Wood’, a memorial woodland in memory of Jane Bird, who was well known to the school. The children planted different varieties of trees and took part in a special blessing afterwards, which was very moving. Many thanks to Rodger Bird for inviting Hartest children to do this, and it was an enormous privilege to be there.

Friends of Hartest would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported the secret gifts shop and for making this a great success. They sold 90 gifts and made a profit of £128. Many thanks to the volunteers and also to anyone who donated gifts and wrapping paper.

It was wonderful to see so many mums and some grandmas at our Mothers’ Day lunch earlier today – thank you for coming, and thanks also to Mrs Clapham and her kitchen staff for preparing such a lovely lunch.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of things coming up next week:

### **RE Day**

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April we are having a whole school RE Day, themed around Lent and Easter. This is very important for us as a Church School and the children always enjoy exploring different aspects of the church year. On Monday afternoon on the 1<sup>st</sup> April, our children's choir will be performing a short Easter musical entitled 'The Three Trees'. They have been practising hard for this and it is sounding great! Please do join us for this at 2.30pm in the school hall.

### **End of Term Church Service**

Our end of term church service will take place at All Saints' Church Hartest, at 2pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, our last day of term. This will include songs, prayers and readings by the children, as well as a repeat performance of 'The Three Trees' and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

### **Easter Egg Hunt**

On the last day of term, after the church service, Friends of Hartest have organised an Easter egg hunt – we hope many of you will be able to stay for this, and the winners of the egg decorating competition will be announced! Please return your child's decorated egg pictures by Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

Wishing you all a happy and relaxing weekend,.



Mr M Coombs  
Headteacher

