



Hartest Primary School

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"Developing the whole child"

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope everyone has had a really good Christmas break. It is lovely to see all the children return so full of energy and enthusiasm.

This is my first week at Hartest, and I wanted to say how excited I am to be here, and look forward to getting to know all the children and parents. It is a real privilege to be here, and I am delighted by how I have been welcomed into our school community. I know that we have great times ahead as I lead the school forward in this next exciting chapter.

I will be at Hartest every Monday, Tuesday and Friday, and Mrs Harman will also continue to be here on Tuesday afternoons and all day Wednesday. Since September, we have seen quite a few positive changes take place, and may I also take the opportunity to thank Mr Kearns for all his hard work and dedication last term. If you would like to make an appointment to discuss anything, then please do make an appointment either with myself, Mrs Harman or via Mrs Prickett in the office.

Just to remind you that on Fridays this term, Hedgehog Class will be enjoying Forest Schools in the morning, and Kestrel Yr 4 alternate with Squirrel Class in the afternoons. Demi told me that they "saw lots of frost and ice" today and Charlie said "I love Fridays just because Forest Schools is such fun!" How lucky we are to be able to provide this extra curricular learning activity!



We are also pleased to welcome a new pupil, George, in Squirrel Class, and a new family to our school community.

Furthermore, after school clubs will resume next week, and we have organised a Dodgeball Club, for Key Stage 2 children on Thursdays, and Reception / Key Stage 1 children on Fridays. I am pleased to say that we are funding these as a school, so there will be no cost involved to parents. You will have received a separate letter about this.

Lastly, you will be receiving an interim report on your child's progress next week, and these will be sent out with next week's newsletter.

May I end by taking this opportunity to wish you all a very happy new year.

Yours sincerely,

Matthew Coombs
Acting Headteacher