



# Hartest Primary School

Hartest Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Term is well and truly underway with all the children settled into their new classes smoothly. We already have to extend our thanks to the support parents are giving to our school. Thanks go to Mr James Kidby for the fantastic work he has completed on the outdoor awning in Hedgehog class. This has extended the outdoor learning area for use in all weathers enabling continuous outdoor provision even during winter months. Mr Paul Foster has made the incredible offer to raise funds for a new computer suite by completing the Ironman Lanzarote 2018 Challenge. This is perhaps the most extreme fundraising event that we have been lucky enough to benefit from and we wish him all the very best in his training during the coming months as the days grow shorter and the weather less inviting. If you would like more details, please look at the Friends of Hartest Facebook page, and for sponsorship go to [www.justgiving.com](http://www.justgiving.com), enter the name Paul Foster, scroll through to the Crowd Funding pages “Raising £10,000 to fund 15 computers for children of Hartest Primary School” and follow the instructions. We also extend our thanks to all of you for supporting your children in the new term by getting the children to school on time with the right equipment and also spending time together going through reading, sounds and home work. This makes a huge difference to their progress and we appreciate the time out of your busy home lives. A big clap to Pupils of the Week, Henry, Lilly and Ronnii for their excellent learning behaviour!!



All the children took part in the Hartest & District Gardening Club show last Saturday. The children entered pictures which were then judged and awarded prizes. Overall shield for Best Exhibit goes to Bobby for his cartoon ‘Melephant’ and first prizes of £1 and a trophy go to Layden, Sabella, Demi, Katie, Lara and Macey. Congratulations to all!! Some of the pictures will be on display in the church in the lead up to our Harvest Service on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm.

We have a whole school Open Afternoon on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 1.30pm. This is an opportunity to share in your child’s learning and spend time in their class. Please pass on the invitation to any prospective new parents you may have in your circle of friends, we would be delighted to welcome them too.

Bentley Photographic are once again coming to us for individual photos on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Pre-school are also having their photos taken and we will endeavour to get all our sibling groups together. Clean jumpers, smiles and bright faces first thing!

We have had mixed success with swimming this month. The heatwave of the last two Septembers appears to have passed us by this year and the cool ambient air temperature means the children are getting changed into dry clothes faster than they were in July! We will keep you updated with whether or not we continue to swim next week. Thanks go to the Friends of Hartest team that has kept the pool going during the summer so we had the opportunity to swim this term.

Wishing you all a sunny and relaxed weekend,

Matthew Coombs  
Head Teacher

