

# Hartford Headlines 26

Hartford Infant and Preschool & Hartford Junior School Newsletter Friday 28th March 2025

## Headteacher Highlights...



- We hope that you have seen our recent email regarding the Free Breakfast Club.
- We have an exciting competition for all our **Year 4 children** for after Easter.
- We are hoping that our Year 6 children will come to our SAT Booster Brunch on Monday 7th April.
- Thank you to everyone who helped us create some exciting raffle prizes with our **Easter Fete Non Uniform Day.**

• Mrs Gemma Jarmaine politely requests that all Junior School children return Library Books for and Easter reclassification activity by Wednesday 2nd April, please.







# **!Attention Attendance!**



Did you know that children should be in school **190 days** each year? We aim for children to be in school for **96+**% knowing that sometimes they are ill.

Attendance during 1 year of school			Which means this number of lessons	
95%	9 days	2 weeks	45 lessons	
90%	19 days 4 weeks 95 less		95 lessons	
85%	29 days	6 weeks	145 lessons	
80%	38 days 8 weeks		190 lessons	
75%	48 days 10 weeks 240 less		240 lessons	
70%	57 days 11.5 weeks 285 les		285 lessons	
65%	67 days	13.5 weeks	335 lessons	

Please **Bee** on time for school.

It is extremely important to aim for **96+%**, this will ensure your child makes the best progress.

This week the best attendance was seen in: Class 5 in the Infant School and Willow in theJunior School. Our Bee on time winner is Isobel.We reward the child with the bestpunctuality each week in the Infant Class with the best attendance. A Tesco voucher for<br/>home and a lil' prize for the child is given.

# Hartford Infant & Pre-School

#### Attendance up to & including 28/03/2025

Class	Present
Class 1	90.95
Class 2	91.3
Class 3	92.84
Class 4	91.27
Class 5	94.86
Class 6	94.56
Pre School	90.72
Whole School	92.65

#### Number of late children this week per class

Class	Late before 9.15am	Late after 9.15am
Class 1	2	2
Class 2	2	0
Class 3	5	0
Class 4	3	1
Class 5	4	0
Class 6	3	0
Pre School	0	0

#### Hartford Junior School

#### Attendance up to & including 28/03/2025

Class	Present
ASH	96.12
BEECH	97.2
CHESTNUT	94.59
HOLLY	94.19
OAK	95.97
PINE	94.84
SYCAMORE	96.92
WILLOW	93.06
Whole School	95.39

#### Number of late children this week per class

Class	Late before 9.15am	Late after 9.15am
ASH	3	1
BEECH	2	0
CHESTNUT	2	0
HOLLY	4	1
OAK	3	0
PINE	2	1
SYCAMORE	1	0
WILLOW	0	0

# Golden Welly Award...



Our **winners** for this week are...

In the Infant School - Pippa

In the **Junior** School - *Simon* Well done to the children for showing us how to play well. They will be able to ring the bells for end of OPAL Lunch next week- how exciting!

## **Classroom Curiosity...**



## **Preschool**

**This week**, we have been marvellous mark makers! We made pictures of our Mum to mark Mother's day on Sunday, we used our current interest in Superheros to begin making recognisable letters from their names or traced patterns in our sensory tray with our amazing superhero wooden markers. We also used clipboards and pencils to take down some 'pizza orders' from Mrs Shurlock.

**Next week,** we will be exploring Easter through lots of activities including some songs incorporating counting and number and an Easter interest box to generate lots of talk and introduce new vocabulary – so important in the early years!

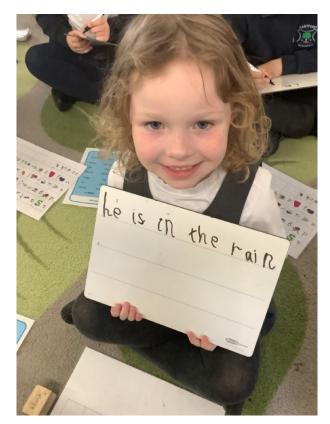






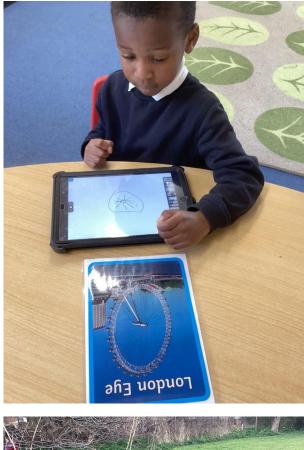
## Year R

**This week** in maths we have been counting larger sets of objects and making sure we know the order of the numbers 11-20. We have been writing captions using our phonic knowledge to label superheroes doing lots of silly things! We enjoyed using the SketchesSchool app on an iPad to draw a famous London landmark. Next week we are so excited to be performing our Easter Concert to the rest of the school and our families at 9.15am on Tuesday 1st April. We are also looking forward to our visit to Trinity Free Church on Wednesday afternoon. and our R.E learning will focus on belonging in our community.













**This week**, in English we joined words and clauses with the conjunction 'and'. We looked at similarities and differences and the structure of a variety of animals in science. **Next week**, in maths we will be understanding doubles and halves. In RE we will be learning what happened on Good Friday and Easter Sunday and why Easter is a miracle for Christians.

### Year 2

**This week,** we wrote a sequel to the 'Pea and the Princess' by Mini Grey. We learnt about arrays in multiplication and how they can be rows and columns of pictures, numbers or objects. Watch: <u>How to multiply using an array - BBC Bitesize</u>

**Next week,** we are looking forward to completing a portrait in the style of Picasso. We will summarise the knowledge we have learnt about countries in the United Kingdom. Don't forget to complete your final homework in time to receive a Hartford Hedgehog Homework Certificate.

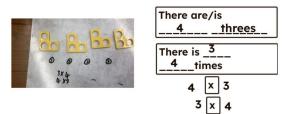




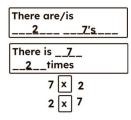
**This week**, in English we have been planning a non-chronological report all about penguins. We enjoyed researching and finding out information ready to add to our reports, such as what a penguin eats and where a penguin lives. In Science we have been thinking about joints and how they help us to move. In maths we have been showing great perseverance when exploring multiplication and enjoyed applying our multiplication skills and knowledge to a problem-solving task. **Next week** we are looking forward to our RE days and putting our new tennis skills to the test by playing a tennis match in PE.



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**This week,** the children completed their stories about the Oompa Loompas from our class book 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl. In Design Technology [DT], they created their own biscuit boxes, and they were very creative! **Next week**, we will have our RE days, focusing on the story of Easter and Catholicism.





**This week,** we have been using our mathematical knowledge of angles and turns, and our geographical knowledge of direction (North, East, South, West) in PE.

**Next week**, we will be writing a diary entry as if we were 'Kensuke' a character from our class novel. We will be using all our skills for writing in an informal way.



#### Year 6

**This week**, we started to make our steady hand games in DT and learned about different types of tourism in Jamaica. In maths we learned about imperial measures and in English we

deepened our understanding of hyphens, dashes and bullet points. We have been working on our tennis skills in PE , focusing particularly on our forehand and backhand.

**Next week,** we will be writing explanation texts about the circulatory system in English and doing algebra in maths!

**<u>Click here</u>** for the SATS Booster Brunch Sign Up.

# Diary Dates 28.3.2025

Diary Dates			
GENR8	Junior School	Monday 31st March	The <b>GENR8</b> Company will explore Easter with the children in a special assembly.
Easter Concert	Year R	Tuesday 1st April	Our children in <b>Year R</b> [classes 1 & 2] will perform a few Easter themed songs for families to enjoy.
Church Visit	Year R	Wednesday 2nd April [pm]	Our <b>Year R</b> children in <b>Class 1 and 2</b> will be visiting Trinity Church.
Parent Consultations	All schools	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> or Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Parent Evening Consultations are scheduled from 4.00pm - 6.50pm. Please sign up for a slot, using the sign-up sheets outside the classrooms or contact the school office.
Easter Fete	All schools	Wednesday 2nd April & Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Our <b>PATHS</b> team will be organising our annual festive fair for the children. Due to the stairwell renovations, both fetes will take place in the Infant School during school time.
Easter Menu	All schools	Wednesday 2nd April	An Easter lunch to celebrate Easter.
Easter Bonnet Parade	Infant and Preschool	Thursday 3rd April	All Preschool and Infant children are invited to <b>make an Easter</b> <b>bonnet at home</b> to bring to school for the annual parade at 2.30pm.
Easter Fun Menu	All schools	Friday 4th April	A fun Easter lunch to celebrate Easter and the end of term.
Dance Day	Infant and Preschool	Friday 4th April	A fun <b>Easter Dance Session</b> with Miss Charlotte- all children need to wear PE kits.
Last day of term	All schools	Friday 4th April	School will close for the Easter Break.
Treehouse Club closed	All schools	Friday 4th April	No Treehouse Club for this evening.
SAT Booster Brunch	Year 6	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Mrs Jo Smith and Mrs Anna Haupt will launch SAT Booster activities to take home, come to school for 10.30am for a free breakfast, a surgery session with 'The experts' and a gift for all children attending.
Summer Term begins	All schools	Wednesday 23rd April	School reopens for all children. 8.40am for KS2, 8.45am for Year R and KS1 and 9.00am for Preschool.
Free Breakfast Club	Y1 – Y6	From Wednesday 223 <sup>rd</sup> April	Please sign up via the school office for a <b>Free Breakfast Club</b> slot from <b>8.15am</b> in the <b>Infant School Hall</b>

# Happy Mother's Day!



# Don't forget your Easter Bonnet for the Parade...

All **Preschool and Infant children** are invited to **make an Easter bonnet at home** to bring to school for the annual parade at **2.30pm** on **Thursday 3rd April** on the front playground.

