

Hartlebury CE Primary School

October Newsletter-

Head Boy and Head Girl

Daniel Pulley and Evie-May Roberts have been made Head Boy and Head Girl for this term. Maisie Waterall and Jessica Boseley have been made Prefects. Congratulations to them all.



School & PTA Cake Bake in aid Of MacMillan Nurses



This was a huge success on Friday and we raised well over £350 for this worthwhile charity. Thank you to everyone who took part and contributed to our coffee morning and the after school cake sale; a really great effort!

The PTA are continuing with monthly cake sales and will be making lots of cakes for next time, but always need offers of extra cakes for the sale. Please speak to a member of the PTA if you are able to help with the baking. The next sale is on Friday 23rd October (we are closed on Friday 30th); put the date in your diary!

PARKING

It really is important that we keep our neighbours 'on side' and our children safe. At the moment a few parents are jeopardising this for the vast majority! Please think about where you park! If you are blocking our neighbours in their homes, or parking disrespectfully on the White Hart car park PLEASE DON'T! The behaviour of the minority may stop all of you parking there so please act and tell people not to park there!



Facebook

The Facebook logo, which is the word 'facebook' in white lowercase letters on a blue rounded rectangular background.

We understand that everyone uses Facebook these days and that often Facebook posts are really positive about school, but on occasion we do hear about negative comments regarding school being posted. (Actually we *always* hear if there are negative posts!) We do pride ourselves in being a very open, approachable school and staff, and as you are all aware I am on the playground in all weathers, all of the time! Please do talk to us; especially if you have concerns. We will NOT respond to comments posted on Facebook; we are unable to access Facebook in school. We will be told about them, you can be sure, but we will not respond! If the incident is serious enough to post for everyone to see please tell us about it, then we can and will do something about your concerns.

ParentMail



We are no longer sending paper copies of letters unless you specifically ask. It is so much more efficient for us to send all correspondence electronically that we will no longer issue paper copies. Also all reminders come via ParentMail and our text messaging service is great with urgent messages. Remember if you have a smart phone all correspondence can come to you via your phone. Please register with ParentMail; Mrs Waterall will help in any way she can. If you are still experiencing problems with the service please double your efforts to contact them. REMEMBER each child and each parent needs to be registered or messages are missed.

Smoke Free Cars- From Thursday 1st October



From Thursday 1st October it will be illegal to smoke in a car, or other vehicle, with anyone under the age of 18 present. This law will apply in England and Wales. The law is changing to protect children from the dangers of 2nd hand smoke. Over 80% of cigarette smoke is invisible, and opening windows does not remove its harmful effect. Every time a child breathes in 2nd hand smoke, they breathe in thousands of chemicals, which put them at risk of serious conditions including meningitis, cancer and respiratory infections, such as bronchitis and pneumonia. It is important to ensure young people have a smoke free environment.

Harvest Service- Sunday 4th October @ 9.30am



We are taking part in this service at St James' Church on **Sunday 4th October at 9.30am**. We hope to see as many children and parents at this service as possible. Harvest donations should be brought into school by Friday 2nd October and we will display them in church for the service. These donations will be taken by church to St Paul's Hostel for the Homeless in Worcester.

Wyre Forest and Hagley Project Drop Ins- Wednesday 7th October, 2.00-3.00pm

Cath Lloyd-Williams, our fabulous family support worker, is here to help with any advice you may need, however small you think it may be! She has a wealth of experience and contacts and is offering a 'drop in' service at school on this Wednesday. If you know you want to see her and be guaranteed a time you can call the office to reserve an appointment. Otherwise just turn up and she will find time for you; we'll supply the coffee!



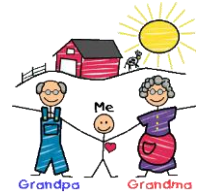
PTA Dress Down Day- Friday 16th October



Children are invited to come to school in their home clothes on **Friday 16th October** in exchange for some chocolate! The PTA are collecting donations for a chocolate tombola and need your help! So children get your pocket money out, donate a chocolate bar and come to school in your home clothes!

Grand Parents Lunch- Friday 23rd October

Our annual Grand Parents Lunch is on Friday 23rd October- look out for the letter! This event is always much looked forward to by children and adults and is getting busier and busier! Please can you return your letter ASAP and then we can plan the day!



Bonfire Celebrations!- Friday 6th November

For your diary, the date of our annual Bonfire extravaganza is Friday 6th November; please put the date in your diary, it's always a fab evening event (and it never rains!) . The PTA are looking for help with building the bonfire; please look out for their newsletter and volunteer if you are able.

Half Term- Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October inclusive.

Dates for your diary

November

Friday 6th
Wednesday 11th

Bonfire Party
Remembrance Service @ St James' Church from 10.45am

December

Tuesday 1st
Wednesday 2nd
Friday 18th

Parents Evening 3.30pm-6.00pm
Parents Evening 3.30pm-7.00pm
Christmas Service @ St James' Church @ 9.00am
End of Term- No After School Care

Children back to school- Tuesday 5th January 2016