

# Hartlebury CE Primary School



## December Newsletter

### Advent

*“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in Him will not perish but will have eternal life”*      *John 3:16*

#### Christmas Post



A school post box will be available for your children to post their cards to their friends from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December. The post box will be emptied daily and the cards delivered by the children in Class 6. Should your child wish to post cards please ensure that they put the full name and Class on the envelope so that Class 6 can get the letters to the correct children. The post box will be in the main school corridor, by the cross.

#### Christmas Crafts Sale - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 2.00pm

The children are busy designing and making Christmas Crafts to sell from their classrooms on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December from 2.30pm. These crafts will be priced between £1.00- £2.50 depending on the making costs.

The hall will be open for hot drinks, cake and mince pies from 2.00pm. Years 3, 4 & 5 will sing starting at 2.10pm



#### Key Stage 1 Nativity extravaganza! – Wednesday 7th December @6.00pm

This year our Key Stage nativity is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December @ 6.00pm. Both of these performances are in the school hall. Rehearsals are well underway! Stars, Kings, Shepherds, everywhere! There are no tickets, but we are asking parents to restrict numbers to 4 adults per family. Thank you

#### Reception and Preschool Nativity - Friday 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER @ 9.30am

Always a special occasion and not to be missed! This year's Christmas production for our youngest children is on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December @ 9.30am

#### Santa is Visiting! - Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Santa is visiting on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December during the day. All children will see him as he visits each class.



#### The Christmas Lunch - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December

The much anticipated 'Christmas lunch' is on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December. All children are invited to have a hot dinner on this day if they would like one. Children in receipt of Universal Free school meals will automatically receive a Christmas lunch. Those children who have opted out of Universal Free School Meals and those in Key Stage 2 can order a lunch for £2.80.

Pre-school children can order a lunch at the reduced price of £1.60 – complicated I know!!



If you would like your child to join in with this special lunch please send your money in an envelope marked with the child's name and 'Christmas Lunch' as soon as possible but certainly by Friday 9th December; as you will appreciate the increase in numbers on this day will need planning for so advanced notice is essential.

### **Wear your Christmas Jumper Day - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December**

Children are invited to wear their favourite Christmas jumper to school for this day if they wish. They should wear their normal, regular school uniform with the exception of their jumper, replacing their Hartlebury top with a seasonal one of their choice! If they don't have a Christmas jumper they can decorate their school jumper with some Christmassy tinsel!



### **School End of Term Carol Concert – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

The whole school will be visiting St James' Church for Christmas readings and carol singing on the morning of Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 9.15am. Parents, grandparents, carers and friends are all very welcome to join us on this occasion; get the Christmas season and holidays well and truly started! Tea, coffee and refreshments will be on offer, thanks again to the PTA.



### **Last Day of Term - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

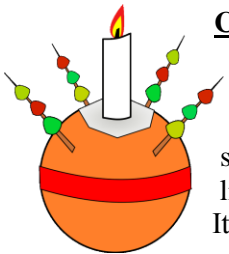
Children can bring in their electronic toys for the last day of term if they wish BUT I must insist that these will be the children's responsibility (school cannot accept ANY responsibility if games are lost or broken). I ask that you, as parents, are aware that these devices have been brought in and talk to the children about their personal responsibility for all games and devices. There is **no** access to the internet for any home devices or iPads brought in, as home devices are not governed by our security systems. If children ask to bring in devices that need internet access they will not be able to be used in school. There is no need for the children to bring anything in to school on this day as it is always a busy day BUT we do know they like to bring their games from home when they can!



### **NO MOBILE PHONES PLEASE**

### **Christingle Service - St James' Church on Christmas Eve @ 4.30pm**

Claire Thorley is again organizing the Christingle Service at St James' Church on Christmas Eve at 4.30pm. She is hoping lots of our children will go and is looking for some of our older children to volunteer to take readings and say prayers. There will also be an opportunity for some of the younger children to take part in the nativity story. If you are able to go and would like to take part please let Claire know by email. Her address is [claire.thorley@icloud.com](mailto:claire.thorley@icloud.com) It's always great to take part in a service at this special time of year.



*On behalf of everyone here at Hartlebury Church of England Primary School we wish you a very Merry Christmas ...*



*and a Happy New Year!*



**School Opens – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 @ 8.50am**