

# Hartlebury CE Primary School

## November's Newsletter

Our value this month is 'Peace'

*'Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody.'*

(Romans 12:18)

Whole school attendance for the first half term was 97.5%. Duffle Bear weekly class winners so far are:-

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1	0	2	1	2	4
96.4	97.2	98.6	97.4	98.2	98.4

The competition builds! With 7 full weeks and 2 days left to go the competition is still wide open to every class! Which class will win their very own Bear? It's anyone's guess and the race is on!

### School's Strategic Vision...Help Needed!

The Governors are reviewing our vision for the school and want/need your help! Actually we are all having our say; children, adults, support staff and hopefully you too! We are looking for a sentence or two that captures all we aim to achieve for your child; our vision. So what inspired you to send your child here? What did you hope for them? What should our Vision state?

Please email or give your thoughts, ideas, sentences directly to me in person or at [head@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:head@hartlebury.worcs.sch.uk) and I will put these thoughts and ideas (anonymously) up for Parents' Evenings. All your comments would then be really valued; Governors will be here on hand to discuss these with you.

Please don't be shy! This is your school and your vision for the school is important to us. Don't worry about the format; just jot down your ideas we'll do the rest!



### Thank You

Thank you for all your Harvest donations. This year we were able to send lots of provisions to Maggs Day Care centre for the homeless in Worcester. They were immensely grateful for your support.



### After School Care Direct Line- Safeguarding your children

We have installed an extra phone line in the Mobile Classroom that is purely for After School Care outside of the normal School Day. To speak to a member of the After School Team after 3.15pm please call 01299 250312 and press option 2.

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### **Booking Wrap Around Care**

We hope you are all finding the new booking process for Wrap Around Care a much easier and smoother process. The new system has been designed to manage the booking process and payments more efficiently and provide a record of bookings and a receipt. Thank you to all those parents who have provided any kind of feedback. We have taken all the comments on board and we are pleased to say the process seems to be working very well. We have made a slight change since the original Monthly form was sent out. There will now only be a Weekly booking form available rather than a monthly one. This enables families to book their Wrap Around Care a week in advance and allow for any changes that may be needed, including last minute bookings if there is space available. Booking forms will need to be into the School Office by the Friday of the week before Wrap Around Care is needed. Booking forms are available from the School Office, Breakfast Club and After School Care and can also be downloaded from the School Website.

### **PTA Bonfire Party- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November from 6.00pm**



The annual PTA's Bonfire Party is on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November and everyone is invited to join us for this extravaganza. Gates open at 6.00pm with the fire being lit at 6.30pm. The fireworks will be launched at approximately 7.00pm. Tickets will be available at the gate, but are better value in advance! There will be refreshments and fun stalls available on the evening. Please bring along your friends and family; the more the merrier!

### **Remembrance Day- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November**

We shall be selling poppies in school from now. If you would like your child to have a poppy they will need to bring their donation into school and the Year 6 children will sell them on a daily basis for the week.

School will hold a Remembrance assembly on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November to ensure the children have an understanding of this national act of remembrance and are given the opportunity to show their respect. Years 5&6 have been invited to attend the Remembrance Service at St James' Church on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November, where they will call the role of honour and place crosses around the memorial. Please look out for the Form that has been sent out on ParentMail and let us know if your child will be prepared to take part in the service on a Saturday morning. Parents are invited to join this village act of remembrance; we will gather at church from 10.45am.

### **Children in Need- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November- A 'Spotacular Party!'**



For Pudsey we always like to have fun and raise money. With this in mind the children are invited to come to school dressed all in SPOTS for the day, including spotty faces as long as they are not contagious! Please also remember your spotty outdoor shoes, boots or wellies for play time. All we ask for is a £1.00 donation to this amazing charity. We will also hold our fabulous tuck shop, with all spotty items being 50p. Children may have up to 3 items; no need for more money than that! We will also be giving 'Spot' prizes to each class. These have been kindly donated by one of our parents in school.

### **Anti-Bullying Week- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November –Keeping Your Children Safe**

During this national week we will be focussing on the negative impact of different types of bullying behaviours on victims and perpetrators, where ever it is happening, and how children can protect themselves. Children will take part, throughout the week, in activities that raise their awareness of the negative impact of unkind behaviours on themselves and others. We will be discussing different types of bullying behaviours, including physical bullying, exclusion bullying and cyber bullying. Hopefully your children will talk to you about their understanding of these issues.

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All Different

All Equal

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK



**Parents Evenings- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November (and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> for Early Years)**

Parent’s Evening bookings are available to book via ParentMail from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November. We will be sending the Interim reports on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November. These interim reports will inform you about where your child is compared with Age Related Expectations (ARE) and tell you how they are progressing. This information will form the basis of your meeting. A Representative from the governors will also be available on both parents evenings should you wish to discuss with them any aspect of school life. They will also be handing out our annual Parent Questionnaires and asking you about the School’s vision.



**AND FINALLY, BUT IMPORTANTLY-**



**Christmas is Coming! (Sorry- BUT YES it’s true!) So ‘Keep reading!’**

**So here are some extra warnings of the Christmassy things going on!**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December KS1 Christmas production @ 6.00pm- The Sleepy Shepherd**  
Just one performance this year for Years 1&2 children! Parents and friends are invited to this traditional end of year extravaganza. There are no tickets all that we ask is that each family brings a maximum of 4 guests. More information, like the dreaded costume request, to follow!



**Autumn Term Reading Celebration –Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December @ 2.00pm**  
Over 30 children have been awarded their brand new, personalised ‘50 Reads at Home’ badge this week! An AMAZING amount! We all know and realise that regular reading, every day is needed to enable our children to achieve as they get older. THANK YOU to you all for your support of this vital skill with all this practise! So how close is your child to their 70 reads and to their personal invitation to the spectacular reading party? This has to be the most sort after party invitation of the season and the theme is always such a well guarded secret. Although I am thinking animals this time! (Shhh!) Remember to receive your party invitation your child needs to read at home on 70 different days during this term (which has 90 opportunities). Each entry in the reading diary needs to be signed by an adult. The cut off date for the 70<sup>th</sup> read is the morning of Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December! So plenty of time!! Get reading!!



**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December –Early Years Nativity @ 9.30am**  
Just one performance for our Early Years children as well this year, but always the highlight of the calendar!! Again there will be no tickets and again a maximum of 4 guests per family.



**Christmas Carols and Craft Sale- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December from 2.00pm**  
Join us in the hall for mince pies, tea, coffee and carols performed by the children from Years 1&2 and 3&4. The now famous children’s crafts will follow from 2.30pm. Parents are invited to go to the classrooms at this time and purchase their child’s craft; the children will then be free to leave for home. If you are not able to make the sale but would like to purchase their craft please send the money in an envelope marked with your child’s name and ‘Christmas Craft. Further details and prices to follow.



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**And all the rest**

- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dippy the Clown...a festive treat from the PTA
- Friday 15<sup>th</sup> ‘Wear a Christmas Jumper’ day  
School Christmas Lunch  
Carols & Christmas Crafts from 2.00pm
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 4Front Theatre production in school- Christmas Castaways
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Christmas end of term service, St James’ Church @ 9.00am; all  
parents welcome  
Term ends- NO AFTER SCHOOL care

**Back to School-THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

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