



## News to You - Weekly Newsletter

### A Message from the Head Teacher

Week 12 - Autumn Term - 30.11.18

Dear Parents/Carers

Our school has been alive with learning this week. Some of the pupils in Years 4 & 5 have been participating in Bikeability, teaching them cycling skills that help them cycle safely when they are independently out cycling. This also helps provide them with a skill that will help support their health and well-being in future years, being able to keep fit and well both physically and mentally by enjoying getting out and about safely on their bikes.

Our sports teams have also been in action this week in Dodgeball. Their attitude and enthusiasm has been outstanding. Well done to all who took part! Tickets are now available for our Christmas performances. Once again we are ensuring a day time and evening performance to try to ensure parents/carers are able to see their child perform. We seek to support our parents by trying to fit with working commitments and I would like to say a big thank you to staff for giving up their time to do this and a thank you to parents for bringing pupils back to school to perform in the evening performances. It is always a wonderful occasion and lovely to allow as many parents as possible to share in it.

I have been fortunate this week to meet with some key figures in education including Damian Hinds, the Secretary of State for Education, and Sean Harford, Ofsted's national director. It is always great to be able to put our schools on the national map and ensure Hart and St. Peter's Elwick are part of the bigger picture of education.

Our schools have been assessed for the Carnegie Mental Health award this week and we look forward to sharing the outcomes of the award with our school community.

As December rolls in, we hope our families enjoy the weekend, including those who will be eagerly opening their advent calendars tomorrow, Mrs. Heaton

### Come and visit us at Hart!

Any prospective parents currently applying for their primary school place are welcome to come and visit our school by arranging an appointment for a tour around school, including our wonderful Early Years, on Monday 3rd December between 9.30am and 10.30am. If any of our families know of anyone who may be looking to apply for a place at our school for next September (2019) then please spread the word and encourage them to come and have a look around. It would be lovely to welcome them and show them some of the fantastic things we do at Hart. If anyone would like to arrange a visit, please contact Mrs. Anderson in the school office on (01429) 273283.



### Reverse Advent Calendar

This year in school we will be making a reverse advent calendar. This is a whole school project where we will be collecting food for our local food bank to help those who are less fortunate than others. The reverse advent calendars are small acts of kindness that add up to a huge difference for vulnerable people. Throughout December we will be adding items to the box. We would be very grateful if you could donate one or two items in the following weeks:

**Early years and Key stage 1 - week beginning 3rd December.**  
**Year 3 and 4 - week beginning 10<sup>th</sup> December.**  
**Year 5 and 6 - week beginning 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

Thank you in advance for making a difference.

Our 2020 Admissions policy is currently out for consultation and is available on our website at [www.hartelwickfederation.org.uk](http://www.hartelwickfederation.org.uk) Consultation runs 26th November 2018 to 14th January 2019. If anyone has any comments they would like to make as part of the consultation, please email [consultation@hartelwickfederation.org.uk](mailto:consultation@hartelwickfederation.org.uk) including your name and relation to the school/policy.

### Award Winners...

#### Star of the Week

Early Years - Teddy Aldeek  
Year 1/2 - Elise Thompson  
Year 3/4 - Penri Stoker  
Year 5/6 - Harrison Castle-Rees

#### Golden Quill

Early Years - Reme Pearson  
Year 1/2 - Amelia Turner  
Year 3/4 - Annabelle Hedly-Price  
Year 5/6 - Jenny Sheader

#### Maths Award

Early Years - Alice Brash  
Year 1/2 - Charles Bird  
Year 3/4 - Maddison King  
Year 5/6 - Reggie Macsween

#### Hart Citizen

Early Years - James Bennett  
Year 1/2 - Monty Deer  
Year 3/4 - Sam Warrington  
Year 5/6 - Alfie Crosbie

### Dates for your Diary and other Information...

- Monday 3rd December**— Year 5/6 trip to Heugh Battery all day
  - Wednesday 5th December**—KS1 Christmas Performance 9.30am till 10.30am
  - Wednesday 5th December**—KS1 Christmas Performance 5.30pm till 6.30pm
  - Thursday 6th December**—Early Years & Year 1/2 Visit to the Arc 9am till 12.45pm
  - Tuesday 11th December**— Friends of Hart School Disco 6pm till 7.30pm
  - Wednesday 12th December** -KS2 & Young Thespians Christmas performance 1.30pm & 6pm
  - Friday 14th December**—PD Day
  - Monday 17th December**—Christmas Jumper Day— Children can come into school wearing a Christmas Jumper if they wish for a small donation for the Save the Children charity.
  - Monday 17th December**—Early Years Christmas Crafts Afternoon 1.30pm till 3.30pm—New Starters and Early Years Parents are invited
  - Tuesday 18th December**—Christmas Cinema for KS2 am - Children to attend Vue Cinema
  - Wednesday 19th December**—All are welcome to attend our Christingle service at Hart Village Church from 2pm
  - Wednesday 19th December**—School Christmas Lunch. If children currently have a packed lunch they can stay for a school lunch on this day but it must be organised in advance with the school office.
  - Friday 21st December**—Class Christmas Party—Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes for the day and a small contribution of party food would be appreciated.
- Any parents/carers wishing to speak with Mrs Hill at any time should contact the school office to arrange a mutually agreeable time.**

# Design a Poster

Try to design a poster to show how our school values represent the school and the work that we do in school.

The poster must be designed on A3 paper or card.

Make the poster colourful using pencil, crayons, felt tips or paint.

A prize will be awarded for the best poster in each class. The overall winner will then paint their poster on canvas with our resident artist Keith Robson to hang in school

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**COST 50P**

**CLOSING DATE 13/12/2018**

All proceeds go towards 'Bright Sparks', Alice