



News to You - Weekly Newsletter

A Message from the Head of School

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Dear Parents / Carers

It has been another busy and festive week in school as our Early Years/Key Stage 1 production filled the school hall with laughter and music with a wonderful performance of their production. Memories which will last a life time! I would like to take this opportunity to thank staff for their hard work and commitment to our children at this busy time of year.

We continue to work with other organisations to ensure our pupils know how to keep safe. The Year 3's have enjoyed Pedestrian Training and Year 5 and Year 6 enjoyed Bikeability. Our Junior Road Safety Officers, Ilani Marsh and Benjamin Smith, would like to remind families and pupils to stay safe in the dark mornings and evenings.

This year school are running a reverse advent calendar. A reverse advent calendar works on the principle of giving rather than receiving. Our aim this year is to collect donations for the food bank and the local community. We would like to invite all of the children to donate on any/all days which are suitable to your shopping baskets! Thank you in advance for your continued support.

A great big thank you to all families who donated toys to the 'Toys for Town' appeal supporting children and families in Hartlepool. The Year 5 and Year 6 enjoyed wrapping the presents and are quite skilled at doing so! It was heart-warming to hear one of our pupils say 'I can't wait to see their faces!' It is wonderful to see our children enjoying 'giving to others'.

Sadly, Sam Dixon, a former pupil passed away on the 22nd November. Sam was a very brave, determined, clever boy and we know that the world has lost someone very special. For those members of the school community who made donations via the school office, we will ensure that the donations reach the chosen charities. To commemorate Sam, on Friday 10th January we will be inviting pupils to come to school in non-uniform, with a theme of Marvel/comics. We would appreciate for those taking part to make a small donation, which will go to the family's chosen charities; Special Effect and The Sick Children's Trust. Sam will always have a special place in our school family and be forever remembered.

This year the Friends of Hart Disco will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 10th December, from 6pm until 7.30pm. There will be a fee of £1 per child. We would also ask that children from Early Years & Key Stage 1 are accompanied by an adult.

We look forward to seeing you next week for the Key Stage 2 Christmas Productions and wish our families an exciting weekend.

Mrs. Hill
Head Teacher



In the New Year, Year 5/6 will be beginning an exciting new project to encourage our pupils to read. The aim of this initiative is to ensure our pupils experience a wide range of books and, therefore, can make informed decisions regarding the genres which they enjoy reading. To do this, we will be collecting a number of specific books. If you would like to donate any books from the list, we would be very grateful! We are also looking for companies to sponsor this initiative. The list is available to view on ParentPay and the school website.

Award Winners...

Star of the Week for w/e 29.11.19 & w/e 06/12/2019

Early Years - Jacob Carter & Esme Jamieson
Year 1/2 - Zack Wilson & Will Bromby
Year 3/4 - Lily-Mae Todd & Seren Short
Year 5/6 - Felicity Metcalf & Benjamin Smith

Golden Quill for w/e 29.11.19 & w/e 06/12/2019

Early Years - Henry Gravett & Reme Pearson
Year 1/2 - Luna Caster & Rubin Towell
Year 3/4 - Orla Trimble & Owyn Henderson
Year 5/6 - Thomas Bates & Reggie Macsween

Maths Award for w/e 29.11.19 & w/e 06/12/2019

Early Years - Elliot Hornsey & Theo Errington
Year 1/2 - Skye Whittaker & Ava Myers
Year 3/4 - Isla Jamieson & Lily Roberts
Year 5/6 - Anabelle Hedley-Price & Beth Dixon

Hart Citizen for w/e 29.11.19 & w/e 06/12/2019

Early Years - Scarlett Gustavson & Frankie Stokes
Year 1/2 - Luca Taylor & Lewie Ferguson
Year 3/4 - Jessica Lowther & Ava Ajvazi
Year 5/6 - Benjamin Smith & Darcey Rennie

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Dates for your Diary and other Information...

Details are on the Event Calendar - Autumn Term 2 :

Tuesday 10th December: Town Junior Inspector Christmas Meal

Tuesday 10th December: Friends of Hart Disco

Wednesday 11th December: Hart KS2 and Young Thespians performance

Thursday 12th December: Y5/6 Athletics (selected group of children)

Monday 16th December: Christmas Jumper Day (please do not feel you have to buy a new jumper for this event, non-uniform can be worn)

Tuesday 17th December: Christmas Visit to the Pantomime

Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th December: Carols Christmas Cards & Mince Pies to the Village (selected Thespians children)

Thursday 19th December: Christmas Dinner

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Friday 20th December: Class Christmas Party

25th November-3rd February: Y5 Swimming Lessons

Every Tuesday & Wednesday from 12th November @ 8.30am: Year 6 SATS Booster sessions

PD days this year: [Friday 13th December'19](#), [Monday 1st June'20](#) and [Monday 20th July'20](#).

Information: May bank holiday 2020, has moved from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day, this has been changed by the government.

Important Dates for 2020

Y6 SATS: 11th May - 14th May 2020

Y2 SATS: May 2020

Y1 Phonics: 8th June - 12th June 2020

Y4 Multiplication Check: 8th June - 29th June 2020

Pupils need to attend school on these dates to enable them to complete these assessments.