

News to You - Weekly Newsletter

A Message from the Head of School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New 2020!

Welcome back to school. It has been lovely to see everybody back eager to learn and looking very smart in their uniforms. We hope that everyone had a lovely break and some time to recharge their batteries.

This week has been another busy start to the year with lots of engaging activities taking place. If you would like to know in greater detail what your child will be learning this half term, please refer to the Knowledge Organisers which will be emailed soon and are also uploaded to the website. Any questions regarding the topic, please speak to your child's class teacher.

The topics that children are learning about this half term are: Early Years are investigating 'Where Does the Snow Go?' Year 1 and Year 2's topic is the exciting 'Bright Lights, Big City' This half term and next term Year 3 and Year 4 are studying the very popular topic of 'Predators' Year 5 and Year 6's topic is 'Revolution' looking at the industrial revolution and how it changed the world

We are proud to share with you our new website. The website includes lots of information about the school including: the latest Facebook posts, newsletters, Knowledge Organisers and a calendar of up and coming events.

You may be aware in school that we monitor attendance, in conjunction with the Local Authority attendance team. Attendance in school makes a massive difference to pupil outcomes. We would ask parents to work with us to ensure that pupils miss as little school as possible. Genuine illness can't be avoided and we completely understand that. We also remind parents that holidays are only authorised if they meet exceptional circumstances. Unauthorised holidays not only impact on attendance figures but are also classed as unauthorised absence from school. We thank parents in advance for working with us to ensure our attendance remains outstanding. Parents may be contacted by letter or asked to attend a meeting by school or the Local Authority Attendance Team. Any queries regarding attendance, please speak to Miss Leighton.

It was heart-warming to see all of the children and staff who came to school today dressed as Marvel/Comic Characters in memory of Sam Dixon, a former pupil of Hart. We have been overwhelmed by your donations and are delighted to announce that we have raised in excess of £500. The donations have been split between the charities selected by Sam's family.

This half term we are looking forward to a range of sporting, STEM, arts and educational visits, it promises to be another great half term!

Wishing all of our families a lovely weekend, Mrs Hill Head Teacher

Award Winners...

Star of the Week for w/e 10.01.20 Early Years - Alexander Bramley, Daphne Bird & **Thomas Harrington** Year 1/2 - Luna Caster Year 3/4 - Holly Cooper Year 5/6 - Ava Smith

> Golden Quill for w/e 10.01.20 Early Years - Hattie Thompson Year 1/2 - Annabella Bramley Year 3/4 - Olivia Fewster Year 5/6 - Reggie Macsween

Maths Award for w/e 10.01.20 Early Years - Joshua Wilson Year 1/2 - Luca Taylor Year 3/4 - Saoirse Good Year 5/6 - Luke Wilkinson

Hart Citizen for w/e 10.01.20 Early Years - Arabelle Gravett Year 1/2 - Jack Warrington Year 3/4 - Grace Appleton Year 5/6 - Emma Bond



Dates for your Diary and other Information...

Details are on the Event Calendar - Spring 1

Monday 6th January - 3rd February - Y5 & Y6 Swimming Monday 13th / 20th / 27th January - Y3 Tennis Coaching Tuesday 14th / 21st January - EYFS Balance Bikes Wednesday 15th January - Y3 & Y4 Power Station Visit Thursday 16th January - Y3 & Y4 Library Visit Friday 17th January - Y5 & Y6 Respectful Relationships Friday 17th January - World Religion Day Friday 24th January - World Religion Day Friday 25th January - Monday 27th January - Big Gardens Bird Watch Week Monday 27th January - Y5 & Y6 Holocaust Memorial Service Assembly Thursday 30th January - Y3 & Y4 Library Visit Tuesday 4th February - Y1 & Y2 Pizza Express Visit Wednesday 5th February - EYFS Chinese New Year Monday 10th February - 27th April - Y3 & Y4 Swimming Wednesday 12th February - Friends of Hart Disco Wednesday 4th March - Friday 6th March - Y3 & Y4 Ford Castle Residential

Every Tuesday & Wednesday @ 8.30am & 3.30pm-4.30pm: Year 6 SATS Booster sessions

PD days this year: Monday 1st June 2020 and Monday 20th July 2020

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.*