



Hart Class News



Welcome back!

We hope you have all had a restful half term and made some lovely memories! Feel free to upload any photos onto Tapestry as the children love to share with each other what they have been up to.

It's now time for term 2. This is our absolute favourite term when working with little people because it's full of so much excitement and magic. This newsletter will give you some key information about the term ahead.

We will be learning about how we belong to our community and celebrating our similarities and differences. Our learning will continue to teach knowledge and skills and give the children opportunities to apply them in different contexts.

We look forward to lots more learning and fun this term. If you have any questions regarding the information in this newsletter, or other more general queries, please don't hesitate to talk to us.

Thank you,

Hart Class team



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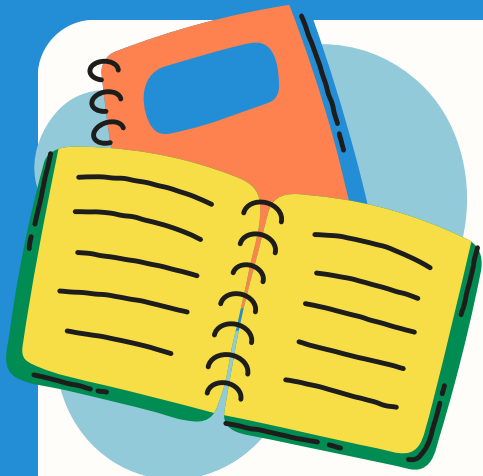
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Important updates

Please remember school begins at **8.45am**. This is when children begin their learning. Please be on time. The hall doors will then be shut and the playground gate locked at **8.55am**. This is to safeguard all our children.

Don't forget to book your school lunches for the term on the Schools Food United app.



Please name ALL uniform to ensure it gets back to its owner. Thank you!

We are a mobile free zone. We would appreciate all phones to be switched off or put away on the playground. Please greet your child with a smile and not your phone!



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Term overview



We will all be learning about celebrations and events from around the world as they happen. These include: Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Christmas and Hanukkah! Please let us know if you would like to come in and share any of your traditions or celebrations with us.

Both year groups will be learning about seasonal change and how we are moving into Winter. We will learn about the changes to plants, animals and the weather as the term progresses.

Year 1

History

We will be learning about events in History related to space. We will explore the history of space travel and significant people including Neil Armstrong and Mae Jemison.

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We will learn about sliders and levers. We will investigate different moving pictures and toys. Then we will design, make and evaluate our own moving picture.

Science

We will be conducting experiments to measure rainfall and temperature.

Our value for this term is Service.



Reading



We are committed as a school to ensuring all children develop the skills they need to read independently and have access to life long learning. Our team believe in ensuring all children find themselves represented in books. We aim to expose our children to high quality, award winning and diverse literature.

Book change days

Monday Hand in Little Wandle and sharing book. Take home a new sharing book.

Monday is also Book Club Day where we share our books, discuss what we liked about them and recommend to each other.

Thursday New Little Wandle book goes home after being read 3 times in school.

Phonics vs sharing books

Monday's book you can share together. They are not supposed to be able to read this!

Thursday's book is for children to read to you. Once children are confident with blending, they will bring home a book with words in. Please use the prompts in the covers of the books for phonemes to check, words to discuss and questions to answer.

Our core texts this term



- Look Up - Nathan Bryon
- Astro Girl - Ken Wilson Max
- Tom Percival's Big Feelings Collection
- Neil Armstrong and Mae Jemison - Maria Isabel Sanchez Vegara



Phonics



Reception

We will continue learning a new phoneme each day. We will be introducing digraphs which are two letters that make one sound.

Our main focus is for every child to be blending and reading words. We will also learn new tricky words which can't be sounded out.

Phase 2 Sound Mat

s	a	t	p	i	n	m	d
g	o	c	k	ck	e	u	r
h	b	f	l	j	v	w	x
y	z	qu	th	sh	ch	ng	nk

Tricky words

is I the put pull full as
and has his her go no to
into she push he of we me be

Year 1

We will continue learning phonics using Little Wandle to consolidate phonemes we already know and learn new alternatives to read and write with.

Phase 3 Sound Mat

ai	ee	igh	oa	oo	oo	ar	or
ur	ow	oi	ear	air	er		

Tricky words

is I the put pull full as
and has his her go no to
into she push he of we me be

Tricky words

was you they my by all
are sure pure

Phase 5 Sound Mat

ay	ou	oy	ea	ir	le	ue	o
i	a	e	a-e	i-e	o-e	u-e	e-e
ew	le	aw					

Tricky

their people oh your Mr Mrs Ms ask could would
should our house mouse water want

Phase 4 Tricky Words

said have come like do
so love were here
little says there when
what out today one

At home

Ask children to spot the phonemes/ digraphs in a word. If they ask how to spell a word, ask them what phoneme they can hear first, next etc and ask them to write a grapheme for each phoneme.

What you will need...

P.E.

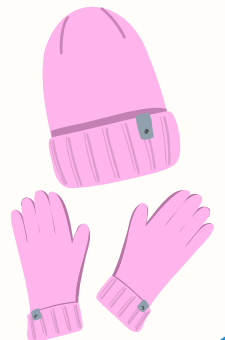
PE will be on a **Monday for Reception** and **Monday and Tuesday for Year One**. Please send your child to school with their PE kit on. Please remember our PE uniform is a white polo shirt, black shorts or trousers and plain trainers or daps. They will be in this all day, so please ensure it is weather appropriate.



Outdoor learning

We will be doing regular outdoor learning and Welly Walks. Please can all children have a pair of named wellies in school for these.

We also go outside in all weathers. Children will need waterproof coats and appropriate weather gear for the season.



PLEASE LABEL EVERYTHING!

Christian Authenticity



In Collective Worship...

This term our value is Service. In our collective worship we will be focusing on stories from the Bible and elsewhere that reflect this. Our Collective worship with Owen now takes place in our Chapel which is a lovely calm and peaceful space.



Child of Hope



We are maintaining our relationships with the community at the Child of Hope school in Uganda.

Each class wrote letters to the children in their matching age class. We are sending them a book of our class author, lots of reading books and our class photo. We are looking forward to receiving letters back from our class friends in Uganda. Later on in the Year we will have a day of activities to grow our links further.



Festivals

Thank you for all your donations at our Harvest Service.

Later in the term we will be celebrating Christmas with our nativity and other special events.



Term dates

- Monday 4th November 2024 - INSET Day
- Tuesday 5th November 2024 - First day of term 2 
- Monday 11th November 2024 - wear red for Remembrance
- **Tuesday 19th November 2024 - Parents' Evening - 1.30-6.10pm**

- Thursday 5th December - Cosy Christmas Club - 4.30-6.30pm
more info to follow
- Saturday 7th December 2024 - Christmas Fayre 11am-2pm 

- Thursday 12th December 2024 - Singing with Santa for Nursery and Reception - parents welcome 1.30-2.30pm
- Thursday 12th December 2024 - Christingle - 5-6pm

- Monday 16th December 2024 - PM - Nativity Dress Rehearsal to Year 3 and Deanery siblings
- Tuesday 17th December 2024 - 2pm - Nativity to parents
- Wednesday 18th December 2023 - 9.30am - Nativity to parents
- Wednesday 18th December 2024 - Christmas Lunch
- Thursday 19th December 2024 - Christmas Carol concert - Year 2 & 3 parents welcome 5.00-6.00pm
- **Friday 20th December 2024 - 1pm - End of term 2**



Safeguarding



Safeguarding and Child Protection Worried about a Child?



If you have a concern about the safety or well-being of a child, please speak to one of our safeguarding team. In this school this is:-



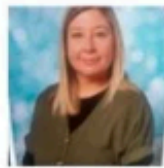
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Please contact 'Contact Swindon' if you are concerned about a child.

E-mail: contactswindon@swindon.gov.uk

Telephone: 01793 464646

**8.30am to 4.40pm Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 4.00pm
Friday**

**The Emergency Duty Service (EDS) is available outside
office hours on**

01793 436699



**If you think that a child is in immediate danger, please ring
999 and speak to the police.**