



**24<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

***"Learning Together for Life"***

**Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Hartford Manor,**

This week we welcomed Her Majesty's Inspector, Sheila Iwaskow to Hartford Manor. We received the notification of the inspection at midday on Monday and worked with Shelia for over ten hours to review a range of evidence to judge how well we are doing as a school. It is four and half years since our last inspection and our latest inspection will give you all a current picture of how well we are doing as a school. One of the strengths of the inspection process was the excellent support we received from our school community: over 150 responses to our school parent view website, 45 pupil responses, Governors rearranging their busy work schedules to meet with the inspector, and many parents submitting written feedback. The information helped Sheila to form an accurate judgement about the effectiveness of our wonderful school. Thank you for all your support. We have a school community to be proud of, which will be reflected in our latest 2017 inspection report.

Thank you.

**Simon Kidwell**  
**Headteacher**

### **School Dinners**

Week commencing 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017, we will be on Menu 3. The [full menu choices](#) are available on our website. Please pay online via [ParentPay](#). The cost for lunches for next half term is £2.25 per day / £78.75 (6<sup>th</sup> November to 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2017).

We adopt a very flexible approach to providing lunches at Hartford Manor, allowing children to choose between a school dinner and packed lunch from day to day.

### **Christmas Meal – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

The Christmas meal letter was sent out last week in book bags. Should your child like to join us, please complete and return the letter by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017. Payments should be made online via ParentPay.

### **Data Collection Sheets**

Last week your child was given a Data Collection Sheet to bring home. Please can you check that the information is correct. Should you need to add any new information/make amendments, please indicate the changes in the relevant section using a red pen if possible. **Please sign and return the Data collection sheets by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017, even if no alterations are required.**

### **Christmas Carol Concert – KS2**

Please note that our KS2 Christmas Carol Concert is on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 from 6.30pm to 7.30pm at St John's Church, Hartford. Children should arrive at the Church between 6.00pm and 6.15pm. Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform - this should include a blue school shirt and a school tie. Ties can be purchased from the school office (payment is via ParentPay) or from Buccaneer Promotions, Moss Farm, Northwich. Your child will receive a letter about this event in the coming week. We are looking forward to seeing you at this very popular and busy event!

## **Reverse Winter Calendar**

This December, we are hoping to support local food banks and families in need over the Winter period through Reverse Winter Calendars. These are collections of food and toiletries, donated on each day of December, up until the 25<sup>th</sup>. Please look out for the letter in your child's book bag giving further details.

## **Welcome to the FOHM News Update**

**In this week's newsletter, we bring you updates on:**

- Aviva Community Fund
- Christmas Disco
- Candy Cane Corner
- Co-Op Community Fund



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## **Aviva Community Fund – Voting Now Closed**

Thank you to everyone who voted for our School Community Radio Station project in the Aviva Community Fund, and for all your support in spreading the word to family, friends and the wider community. The voting closed on Tuesday. We achieved a total of 2,011 votes and we will find out if we have been successful in reaching the finals on the 28<sup>th</sup> November. Fingers crossed!

## **Candy Cane Corner**



The elves are busy at work finishing the homemade crafts and gifts in readiness for next week's Hartford Victorian Christmas. We have some of the old favourites ... Snowmen Soup, Santa's Sleigh, Build a Snowman, Reindeers, Reindeer Food and Homemade Cards. New for this year Snowman and Reindeer Mini Pot Tree Decorations, Reindeer Treat Bags, Cinnamon Reindeer Decorations and Gingerbread Men.

Last year we were able to take pre-orders and arrange delivery prior to the event for those members of the school community that wouldn't be able to attend this event. We are hoping to be able to circulate a pre-order form later next week, including pictures of the products. However, delivery will be after the event with the aim to delivery to school by Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> December (subject to change).

Another first at this year's Victorian Christmas is a treasure hunt around the shops and stalls. If you are taking part, be sure to visit Candy Cane Corner to collect one of the all-important letters needed to be in with a chance to win.

## Christmas Disco

Tickets went on sale last week and we've already had a great response. As this is our first time using ParentPay to book and pay, please remember to tick the consent box and to add a Name and Contact Number in case of an emergency. If you would like to help on the night, please email Michelle at [contactFOHM@gmail.com](mailto:contactFOHM@gmail.com). We will be in touch to confirm helpers. Ticket sales close on 1<sup>st</sup> December. Book now to avoid disappointment.

A big thank you however to our amazing team in the School Office who still managed to get us up and running on ParentPay for the disco whilst busy preparing for the Ofsted visit.

## Co-Op Community Fund



A couple of weeks ago we mentioned that members of the committee had been hard at work submitting applications for community funding. We are pleased to confirm that we received notification from Co-Op that our application for their community funding has been successful! Our application is for up to £10,000

to extend and enhance our school trim trail and create an exciting new fitness equipment area for everyone in the school community.

The funding round started running on **12 November 2017** and runs for 11 months until the **27 October 2018**.

## How it works

Every time members shop at the Co-op, 1% of what they spend on selected own-brand products and services goes to the Co-op Local Community Fund.

They will also give us and the other causes in our community an equal share of the money raised from sales of carrier bags. Members in our local community are now able to choose our cause and give us their 1%. The more we shop, the more is shared.

## How to support our School

If you are already a Co-Op member you can now choose Friends of Hartford Manor as the cause you would like to support – ([choose the next project](#)).

If you're not a Co-op Member yet, you can join here: <https://www.coop.co.uk/membership> and then select us as your cause.

## Next Committee Meeting

Our next committee will be combined with a FOHM Christmas Meal on Saturday, 9th December 2017, 7.30pm at Hartford Hall Hotel.

Following a short committee meeting where we will review the past month's fundraising activities and look ahead to our activities for the New Year, we will enjoy a light bite and drinks to celebrate the festive season together.

Pre-orders for food have now been taken.

## 3 Easy Ways to Help Raise Money



Register now to help raise money for FOHM. Click on the logos for more information.

### **Stay in Touch**

For more information about upcoming FOHM events or to get in touch:

- [Click here](#) to visit our web page
- [Meet the Committee](#)
- Join our [Facebook](#) page
- Follow us on [Twitter @FOHManor](#)
- Email us on [contactFOHM@gmail.com](mailto:contactFOHM@gmail.com)

Have a lovely weekend.

**Michelle Bebbington**  
**On behalf of FOHM**

**Diary Dates****NB This list is subject to change during the year****Autumn Term:**

Saturday	2 December	FOHM Candy Cane Corner 10.00am – 2.30pm
Friday	8 December	Christmas Disco KS1 6.00pm - 7.00pm/KS2 7.15pm - 8.30pm
Saturday	9 December	FOHM Christmas Meal Hartford Hall Hotel 7.30pm
Tuesday	12 December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Wednesday	13 December	KS1 Nativity 2pm
Wednesday	13 December	Open Evening
Thursday	14 December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday	14 December	Nursery Concert 2.00pm
Monday	18 December	KS2 Christmas Carol Service – St John’s Church (FOHM providing refreshments) from 6.30pm.
Tuesday	19 December	Reception and Nursery visit to Stockley Farm
Friday	22 December	Last day of term (non-uniform day)

**Spring Term:**

Monday	8 January	School re-opens
Friday	19 January	Year 1 Visit to Chester Zoo
Wed/Thurs	31 Jan - 1 Feb	Year 2 Burwardsley visit
Friday	16 February	Last day of half term
Monday	26 February	INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Tuesday	27 February	School reopens after half term
Wed-Fri	14 -16 March	Year 5 Lakeside visit
Thursday	29 March	Last day of Spring Term

**Summer Term:**

Monday	16 April	School re-opens
Monday	7 May	May Day (School closed)
Friday	25 May	Last day of half term
Monday	4 June	School reopens after half term
Mon-Wed	11-13 June	Year 6 visit to London
Tues-Fri	12-15 June	Year 4 visit to Pettypool
Tues-Wed	26-27 June	Year 3 Forest Camp
Friday	20 July	Last day of Summer Term