



1st March 2024

“Learning Together for Life”

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children have taken great interest in the installation of the new projector, lighting and sound system in the hall. We have already put it to good use in the celebration assembly today and the Year 3 and 4 team are looking forward to performing their production with full lights and sound! Performing arts and music are integral to our curriculum at Hartford Manor so it’s great to have the right equipment to do the job. We would like to thank Friends of Hartford Manor for their significant contribution to make the project possible.

You may have seen in the national news that attendance is highlighted as a concern in schools. High levels of pupil attendance is closely linked to high levels of achievement. For many years, we have worked in partnership with families to overcome any barriers to good attendance.

The table below shows the impact low attendance and lateness has on learning. Our current attendance rates are considerably below our pre-pandemic rates. Nationally, the number of pupils who are persistently absent (below 90% attendance) has increased significantly. We will therefore be sending out letters to parents of children whose absence is classed as persistent. If you need support with your child’s attendance, please get in touch via admin@hartfordmanor.cheshire.sch.uk

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Diamond
Acting Head Teacher

School Dinners	Next week we will be on menu 3. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway. Please note that we have a special World Book Day menu on Thursday.
World Book Day Thursday 7TH March	<p>To mark World Book Day, the children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character if they would like to. The local libraries have been offering a World Book Day costume swap.</p> <p>As an alternative to dressing up, children may prefer to draw a book cover/theme onto a plain t-shirt and wear that or just bring their favourite book along to show their friends. The local libraries have been offering a World Book Day costume swap.</p> <p>We will also have the annual Book Fair in the hall after school on Mon 4th, Tue 5th and Wed 6th March. Any money raised from the Book Fair will be used to buy books for each class. Every child will receive a £1 book voucher which can be used at the book fair or to buy one of the specially chosen books for 2024.</p>
Parents’ Evening Appointments	<p>Parents’ evening appointments will be taking place from 19th-21st March. The booking system opens at on Monday 4th March at 6pm.</p> <p>How to access the booking system</p> <p>To access the booking system, you will need to log on to: https://hartfordmanor.parenteveningsystem.co.uk</p>

There are two ways to book your appointments; by using the automatic option or the manual option.

Once you have logged on to the system you will need to enter your personal details and your child's details. If you have more than one child, the system will pick them up further along in the booking process

Click on the required Parents Evening date. Choose your booking method option then press next

Automatic option

Move the time line bar to the times you are available to attend

Tick your child's teacher(s) and click on generate appointments

If you are happy with the times allocated, click accept. You will then see a message on the screen confirming your appointment(s). You will also be sent a confirmation email

If you are not happy with the times allocated, click reject. This will then take you back to the screen with the time line bar and you can start again.

Manual option

Ensure the teacher(s) you would like to see are ticked and press continue to book appointments

Click on the appointment time you require; you can leave a message at this stage if you would like to and then press save. Continue to book your other children in the same way.

A message will show on the screen confirming your booking and an email will be sent to you.

Diary Dates Please note that this list is subject to change during the year

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday 4 th -Wednesday 6 th March 2024	Book Fair in school hall 3:30pm-4:15pm.
Thursday 7 th March 2024	World Book Day
Wednesday 13 th March 2024	Year 1 day trip
Tuesday 19 th -Wednesday 21 st March 2024	Parents' evening
Thursday 28 th March 2024	Mrs Bentley's Friday Dance Event (on a Thursday!) School closes for Easter break.
Monday 15 th April 2024	School opens
Monday 29 th April- Wednesday 1 st May 2024	Year 5 Residential
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	Sports day

Celebrate **WORLD** **BOOK DAY** this lunchtime



Horrid Henry's Healthier Baked Chicken Goujons
or Vomiting Vera's Vegetable Fingers
Served with Greasy Greta's Potato Fries
Brainy Brian's Beans or Soggy Sid's Sweetcorn
Tiny Ted's Tomato Sauce or Beefy Bert's BBQ Sauce
or Perfect Peter's Jacket Potato Piled Perfectly with your Favourite Fillings
or Stuck Up Steve's Selection of Sandwiches
Served with Vicious Vicky's Vegetable Sticks

Miss Battle-Axe Wacky Chocolate Cake
'Don't let the Jeman Dinner Lady get her hands on it!'
Rude Ralph's Refreshing Fruit Platter