



11<sup>th</sup> October 2024

*“Learning Together for Life”*

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we enter the 7th week of the term, it’s been fantastic to see the great start made by our new children in Nursery and Reception. They’ve settled in beautifully and are already becoming a wonderful part of our school family. Across all year groups, the hard work and dedication of our pupils and staff are truly shining through, with children showing what it means to be kind, safe, and ready to learn.

Our recent open day events were a huge success, with a fantastic turnout from families eager to join our community. The interest in our school is a reflection of the positive environment we all work so hard to create and good news stories you share about our school.

Thank you for your continued support as we move forward in this exciting term!

Mr Kidwell

**Principal**

<b><u>School Dinners</u></b>	Next week we will be on menu 1. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
<b><u>FOHM Disco</u></b>	Just a reminder that tickets on available on school gateway. Please see below for timings. Please be advised that all after school clubs will still take place on this day as normal.
<b><u>Applying for school places: Key dates</u></b>	<p><b><u>Reception Places</u></b> The closing date for Reception 2025 applications is the <b>15th January 2025</b>. Please click the following link to apply: <a href="#">Apply for a Reception 2025</a>.</p> <p><b><u>Secondary school transfer</u></b> The deadline for applications for secondary transfers is <b>31<sup>st</sup> October 2024</b>. Please click the following link to apply: <a href="#">Apply for a secondary school place</a>.</p>
<b><u>Reading with your child at home</u></b>	Last night we held a reading meeting for parents in Reception and Year 1 where we shared tips and advice for reading at home with your child- the slides for this will be shared via Reception and Year 1 Tapestry. For children in Years 2-6, you may find the comprehension questions listed on our website a useful prompt when reading with your child <a href="#">Reading Comprehension Questions</a> .

**Diary Dates**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>		
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Friends of Hartford Manor AGM 7pm (in school- all welcome).		
Thursday 24h October 2024	<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Arrangements</u></b>
	Reception and Year 1	3:30pm-4:30pm	3.20pm - Children will change into their disco gear and be accompanied to the hall by their teacher 4.30pm- Reception parents collect from classroom door. Year 1 parents collect from hall.
	Year 2&3	4:45pm-6:00pm	4.45pm- Parents/Carers to wait in the playground with your child until the disco door opens.

			- Children in After-School Club will be accompanied to the hall by a member of staff. 6pm- Parents collect from hall.
	Year 4, 5 & 6	6:15pm- 7:30pm	6.15pm - Parents/Carers to wait in the playground with your child until the disco door opens. - Children in After-School Club will be accompanied to the hall by a member of staff. 7.30pm- Parents collect from hall.
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	School closes for half term.		
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	School Closed. Staff training day.		
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens.		
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November-Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	<p><b><u>Parents' Evening</u></b></p> <p>Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November (Virtual)</p> <p>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November (Face-to face)</p> <p>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November (Virtual)</p> <p>The booking system will open on <b><u>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 6pm.</u></b></p>		
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	<p>11:00am Year 3 &amp; Carol Service (St John's Church)</p> <p>2:00pm Year 5/6 Carol Service (St John's Church)</p>		

## HOLIDAY DATES 2024 - 25

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER 2024	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2024	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024
AUTUMN HALF TERM 2024	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2024	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
CHRISTMAS 2024	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
SPRING HALF TERM 2025	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
SPRING BREAK 2025	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025
SUMMER HALF TERM 2025	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025
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### INSET DAYS

Monday 2nd September 2024

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025