



10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

*“Learning Together for Life”*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas break and are feeling refreshed as we begin the New Year together.

Firstly, we would like to take a moment to express our thanks to each of you for your understanding, patience, and support during the challenging winter weather we faced this week. The extreme conditions made travel difficult for many and we truly appreciate your efforts to work in partnership with the school.

In recognition of the extraordinary circumstances, we want to reassure you that no late marks will be issued due to the challenges of getting to school this week. We understand how hard it can be to navigate such extreme conditions.

#### **Important Reminder: Reception Class Applications**

As we begin the new year, we'd also like to remind families that the deadline for applications for our Reception class 2025 is **January 15<sup>th</sup>**. If you have a child who will be ready to start school in September, please ensure your application is submitted by this date.

There are a small number of **first-choice place spaces** available, so if you are still in the process of applying, now is the time to act!

As always, your support plays an essential role in helping us create a positive environment for our pupils. We look forward to working together throughout this year to ensure the best possible educational experience for every child

**Simon Kidwell**  
**Principal**

<b><u>School Dinners</u></b>	Next week we will be on menu 2. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
<b><u>Applying for school places: Key dates</u></b>	The closing date for Reception 2025 applications is the <b>15<sup>th</sup> January 2025</b> . Please click the following link to apply: <a href="#">Apply for a Reception 2025</a> .
<b><u>FunFest Holiday Club</u></b>	FunFest will be running a holiday club at Hartford Manor during February half-term. To book a space please visit: <a href="https://fun-fest.co.uk/hartfordmanor/">https://fun-fest.co.uk/hartfordmanor/</a>

#### **Diary Dates**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Event</u></b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Year 3 Day Trip (Please note that there will be no parking on the turning circle)
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Year 3 Day Trip (Please note that there will be no parking on the turning circle)

Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School Closes for half term
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School closed- INSET day
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	School re-opens

#### 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
SUMMER 2025	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	
<b>INSET DAYS</b>	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025