

NEWSLETTER 4 26th October 2018

We have made it to half term and what a busy half term it has been so far!

Homework email addresses: With children doing increasing pieces of homework on computers, we have set up (no-reply) email addresses so that homework can be sent in directly to each class: Each email address is the same, but for the **class number** eg: Class1@Hartsfield.herts.sch.uk

Online Surveys – It is always useful to have feedback from parents and children and this week, the children have completed an online safety questionnaire which will help give us an idea of how they feel with regards to internet safety.

We would like to ask you to do the same but with regards to how you feel about life at Hartsfield School. This is an anonymous survey, so please be honest. If you click on the link below this will take you directly to the questionnaire and should only take you a couple of minutes to do. Please complete by 14th November 2018. Responses will be collected and shared later in the term.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1-2ToKeC5eCC4oZTKT--GyZkmiAnag7QvoXpVAnSjOno/edit>

Good byes – we are saying a fond farewell to Mrs Travers this week who is leaving us after 7 years to be able to concentrate her efforts on The Breakfast Club and The Great Group which is growing from strength to strength. We wish her well.

Christmas Fair: In order for this to be a success, we are in need of lots of volunteers. Please see the attached sheet to find out which stalls need help and contact the friends if you can spare any time at all:

Thefriendsofhartsfieldschool@outlook.com

Father Christmas will be visiting Hartsfield school and has asked Mrs McPhee help him by taking bookings on his behalf in the run up to the event. Please contact her in the office to book your slot to avoid any disappointment on the day.

Baldock Community Fireworks - a warm and balmy Saturday evening saw us host the Baldock Community Fireworks - an event that has grown significantly in popularity. Approximately 1400 people came through the gates to enjoy the live music, food & drink whilst watching some spectacular fireworks!

Big thanks go to all those who organised the event and helped out on the night - particular thanks go to Mrs McPhee and Nicki Gough and the Friends Team for their hard work on the night and for the months running up to it.

Hot Dog Fridays! Following the success of the sale of hot dogs at the Fireworks on Saturday night, it has been decided that as a treat in the run up to Christmas we will have Hot Dog Fridays! These will operate much like the Ice Cream Fridays – with Hot Dogs being sold on the playground on Fridays after school for just £1 each while raising funds for the school. The first Friday will be 9th November and, depending on response, we will continue until Friday 14th December.

DIARY DATES

October 2018

26 Last day of the half term- finish @3.15
29 October-2 November- Premier Sports in school
31 Closing date for Secondary School Applications

November 2018

5 Back to school
5 Earth to Sky Science Week
6 Year 6 trip to Duxford
7 Prospective parent tour
8 Year 5 trip to Airbus
14 Pudsey visits Hartsfield from 8.30-9.30 am
16 Non- uniform day for Children In Need
17 District Football match here at Hartsfield
22 Netball @ KTS
23 Last swimming lesson sessions in Year 4
24 FHS Christmas Fair
30 Occasional Day- school closed

December 2018

4 Flu Vaccinations
7 FHS Wrap-a-present
8 KS2 Choir performing in Stevenage
11 Year 1 Christmas performance to parents (pm)
11 Wheelchair basketball @Priory
12 Years 3/ 4 Christmas celebration to parents (pm)
13 Reception Christmas performance to parents (pm)
13 KS2 choir performing @ Holy Trinity Church
14 Years 3/ 4 Christmas celebration to parents (pm)
18 Year 5 Christmas performance to parents (pm)
19 Christmas Dinner
21 Last day of term- finish at 1.30

January 2019

7 INSET day- school closed
8 First day back
15 Closing date for Early Years School Applications

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing half term. See you back at school on Monday 5th November for the start of the new half term and our exciting 'Earth to Sky' Science Week.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Mrs Philippa Smith
and the Hartsfield Team*