



17th November 2017

"Learning Together for Life"

Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Hartford Manor,

Thank you for your attendance at this week's parent consultation meetings. In total over 300 families attended appointments over the three nights. You will have seen from the work in the children's books how hard the children and teachers are working. Making sure our children make the highest rates of progress across the curriculum is a key driver in the work we do at Hartford Manor. The support you give by attending parents evenings, working with the children at home and promoting high levels of attendance is appreciated by all the team at school.

School Radio Station

This weekend is your last chance to register your votes for our school radio station bid.

We need 70 more people to reach the 2000 vote mark. You can register and vote using the link below:

<https://community-fund.aviva.co.uk/voting/project/view/17-5398>

Please use your Facebook contacts to encourage your friends and family to vote.

Thank you.

Simon Kidwell
Headteacher

School Dinners

Week commencing 20th November 2017, we will be on Menu 2. 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 (6th November to 22nd 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 14th December 2017

The Christmas Menu letter has been sent out this week. Please complete and return the letter by Friday 1st December 2017. Payments should be made online via Parentpay.

Data Collection Sheets

This week your child has been 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 1st December 2017, even if no alterations are required.**

Reading Information Evening for Parents

A reminder that there is a reading information evening in school on **Monday 20th November** at **7.00pm**. We will be sharing tips and advice on how you can support your child with their reading at home and also explaining how we teach reading in school. This meeting will be especially useful for parents who have children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

NSPCC internet safety workshop

On Wednesday 22nd November, at 3.30pm, there will be an NSPCC internet safety workshop for parents regarding keeping children safe online. You will not need to book for this event – just come along.

After School Club

Our After School Club is very popular. Due to limited places, can we remind you that we require a **minimum of 24 hours' notice** for all bookings.

Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who purchased items for the Poppy Appeal. We raised £391.93.

Welcome to the FOHM News Update

This week we had our November Committee Meeting; thanks to all who attended. This was a particularly important meeting as we head in to what is one of our busiest periods. With that in mind, we are looking for parents/carers who would like to get involved in helping out at any of the events we have coming up. If you would like more information, why don't you have a chat to a [Committee Member](#) if you see them on the playground or [drop us an email](#).

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

- Aviva Community Fund Voting
- Christmas Cards
- Candy Cane Corner
- Christmas Disco
- Class Representatives
- FOHM Christmas Meal

Last Chance to Vote for Community Radio Station Project



We only have until next Tuesday, 21 November to vote for our Community Radio Station project. If you haven't already done so, please cast your 10 votes now and help to spread the word by sharing our posts on Facebook and Twitter.

[Click here to vote >](#)

Christmas Cards

Thank you to everyone who has placed an order for this year's children's Christmas cards. The deadline for orders has now passed. I am sure you will agree that the children have created some wonderful festive designs. We will update you shortly on a delivery date and when they will be sent home. In the meantime, a big thank you to Helen Ghagan for her continued hard work in organising the cards for us.

Candy Cane Corner



This year's Candy Cane Corner will take place on Saturday, 2nd December 2017 from 10.00am – 2.30pm at St John's Church Hartford. We will shortly publish details of what festive gifts we will be selling and a price list and details of how you can order items on sale in the event that you can't make it on the day. New for this year, the Hartford Victorian Christmas Fair will be organising a treasure hunt which I am sure will be a big hit with the children.

Christmas Disco

On Friday, 8th December, we will be holding our annual Christmas disco. You will shortly receive a letter with further information about this event. The evening will be split as follows:

- Reception, Years 1 and 2: 6.00pm - 7.00pm Ticket price: £2.00/each
- Years 3, 4, 5 and 6: 7.15pm - 8.30pm Ticket price: £2.50/each

New for this year, we will be asking parents/carers to book and pay online using ParentPay. Bookings to be made by 1 December 2017. Tickets will be sent home w/c 4 December. For safety reasons, tickets for both sessions are limited so early booking is advised.

Helpers Needed

If you would like to help out at both or one of the sessions, please get in touch with us via email.

Other News

- We are close to finalising class representatives for each year. All will be reviled shortly.
- The next time you are in school, stop and take a look at the amazing mosaic display of the ceramic tiles made the children at Hartford Manor on their Treat Day last June (funded by FOHM). You will find the mosaic beautifully displayed (thanks Mr Hickson!) on the wall as you enter the school through the main door.

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 a look ahead to our activities for the New Year, we will enjoy a light bite and drinks to celebrate the festive season together.

If you would like to attend, please let us know by Monday, 20th November as we need to confirm numbers in advance and a £5 deposit is required. To book your place, please email Michelle at <http://contactFOHM@gmail.com>.

Pre-selection of food is also required. Click here to view a copy of the Hartford Hall menu. Please let us know your food selection no later than Monday, 27th November.

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
- Email any pre-loved uniform requests to hartfordmanorpreloveduniform@gmail.com

Thanks again for your continued support.

Michelle Bebbington
On behalf of FOHM

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

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| Monday | 20 November | Reading Information Evening 7.00pm |
| Wednesday | 22 November | Year 6 visit to War Horse |
| Wednesday | 22 November | NSPCC internet safety workshop 3.30pm |
| 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 Dinner |
| Thursday | 14 December | Nursery Concert 2pm |
| Monday | 18 December | Christmas Carol Service – St John’s (FOHM providing refreshments) |
| Tuesday | 19 December | Reception and Nursery visit to Stockley Farm |
| Friday | 22 December | Last day of term (non-uniform day) |

Spring Term:

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| 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:

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| 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 |