



13th July 2018

“Learning Together for Life”

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we received the school’s Year 6 SATS results and I am pleased to inform you that the school achieved the highest outcomes since the new assessments were introduced in 2016. There is no doubt that the tests have become harder and 2018 saw a further rise in the pass mark thresholds. It is therefore with great disappointment that I have read newspaper articles like the one below this week:

“More than a third of children will leave primary school this year having failed to reach government targets in the three Rs, figures reveal today.”

“Only 64 per cent of 10 and 11-year-olds achieved the expected standard in all their Key Stage Two reading, writing and maths SATs tests — meaning 36 per cent fell short and will start secondary school in September already behind.”

The reality is that all our Hartford Manor children, who are joining a mainstream High School in Sept, are academically ready. The current system labels children who have a scaled score of **100-120** as **“achieved standard”** and children achieving **80-99** as **“not achieved the standard”**. Frankly this is nonsense. A child achieving a score of **99** is just as high school ready as a child achieving **100**. Furthermore, some children also underperform in a test they take when they are 11. It is important to remember that this will have no detrimental impact on their future education.

Could I ask Year 6 parents to think about the following points when sharing the Department for Education’s Key Stage 2 reports with your child?

- If your child has a scaled score of 99 or less, we would prefer you to tell your child their scaled score, rather than using the phrase “not achieved the standard”.
- Only 9.7% of children in the country achieved a score of 110+ in reading and mathematics and the greater depth standard in writing.
- Teachers cannot teacher assess children at the greater depth standard in reading and mathematics and science. They can only assess at greater depth in writing. Writing is not marked externally.
- If you are interested in how the scaled scores are calculated here is a link to the conversion table. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/723470/2018_KS2_scaled_score_conversion_tables.pdf

All our children in taking statutory assessments in Years 1 and 2 have done exceptionally well. We do not limit our curriculum with endless testing and we continue to achieve high standards as school. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Kidwell
Head Teacher

Last day of Term – Early Finish Time

Please be aware that on Friday 20th July, the last day of term, we will have an earlier finish time of 1.30pm
There will be no After School Club on this day.

School Dinners

Week commencing 16th July 2018 will be Menu 3. The [full menu choices](#) are available on our website.
Please pay online via [ParentPay](#).

Please note that we will not provide a school lunch if you owe for 5 meals - £11.25 - or more. Please remember that it is your responsibility to keep your account in balance.

Please be aware that from 1st September 2018 our catering provider, Edsential, has increased the price of school dinners to **£2.30** per meal.

ParentPay

Please can Parents check ParentPay and clear all outstanding balances by the end of term.

Packed Lunches/Snacks – Grapes

To reduce the risk of choking, please can you ensure that grapes are always chopped in half lengthways before sending into school.

Monday night Reception and Year 1 Football After School Club – Extra Session

Due to a session being previously cancelled due to illness, an extra session will take place on Monday 16th July 2018.

Tuesday Morning Gymnastics sessions - Extra Session

As the Gymnastics teacher was unable to attend school on Tuesday 10th July, an additional session will now take place on Tuesday 17th July 2018.

Year 2 – End of Year Assembly

The Year 2 end of year assembly will take place on **Tuesday 17th July at 2.30pm**. All parents and carers are invited. A letter with more information will follow shortly.

KS1 Evening

On 17th July at 3.30pm there will be a meeting for all parents of children who will be moving into Year 1 and 2 in September. You will be able to meet the class teacher and find out information about the structure of the school day. The meeting will last approximately 30 minutes and childcare will be provided.

STEMkids- Young Engineers

Please see information leaflet at the end of the newsletter regarding the After School Club that will take place from September 2018.

Cinderella Rockerfella

The fabulous Y5/6 performance of 'Cinderella Rockerfella' is on Monday 16th July, 6:30pm at the Grange theatre, Hartford. Please can children arrive at 6pm in costume. Refreshments will be available and it is estimated that the performance will end at approx. 8pm.



Weaver Hall Museum and Workhouse

Weaver hall will be holding several activities during the summer. Please see the information leaflet at the end of the newsletter for details.

30 hour Childcare Codes

Please remember that any codes for 30 hours childcare must be provided by 1st September 2018. If we do not have the codes by this date parents may be required to pay for the first term.



Bikes and Scooters

Please can parents ensure that all bikes are wheeled around to the sheltered bike rack and parked appropriately. Bikes should not be left lying on the path or the woodland area.

Bikeability level 2 Course

There is a Holiday Course Bikeability Level 2 schedule for 20 trainees on the Cycle Experience website – starting Monday 30th July and thru to Wednesday 1st August (starting 09:30 and finishing 15:30 each day). It is aimed at children in years 5 and 6 or age 9-11.

We have been asked to advise all parents to go to www.cycleexperience.com They will need to register themselves onto the site and then upload details of their children. Once that's done they just need to select the relevant course and make the booking. As advised, there is a £5 admin fee for each booking.

Please note trainees need to provide their own roadworthy bikes and helmet and suitable clothing – it is a good idea that they also bring drinks and lunch/refreshments.

P.E Kits

Can you please return any sports kits to the school office by Friday 20th July 2018.

Welcome to the FOHM News Update

Tonight, we have our first ever **FOHM Family Bingo Night** with over 60 people expected to attend.

We have some great prizes on offer. Some of the line prizes include tea & biscuits, a sport set, scarecrow garden gift set, and crisps galore. House prizes include a gin gift set, prosecco hamper, 'night in' hamper, and children's gift hamper.

We also have a Lucky Bingo Number Board. £1 per go for a chance to win a Cash Prize - 50% of Lucky Bingo Number stakes.

Hot and cold refreshments will be available including snacks and sweets.

During the first interval we will be serving cones of chips for just £1.00.

As we don't have a drinks licence for this event, we are unable to serve alcoholic beverages. Feel free however to bring along your own.

Doors will open at 5:30pm, eyes down for the first game at 6:00pm promptly and finish at 9:00pm.

Don't forget to print your receipt from ParentPay or have available to view on your phone.

Picnic in the Park

Thanks to everyone who came along to support us at last Sunday's Picnic in the Park. We sold lots of candyfloss, lucky envelopes, sweets and drinks. It was lovely to be part of this community event once again and raise money for our school.

We raised a total of £195.64!



Dave Wilkinson also joined us to raise awareness of his challenge to cycle from Lands End to John O'Groats from 11th to 25th August and received £30.56 cash donations from the lovely picnickers.

FOHM Celebratory Drinks

TIME TO CELEBRATE! Would you like to join us for **CELEBRATORY DRINKS**? We're planning on getting together next Thursday 19th July from 7.30pm at Hartford Hall Hotel to celebrate another successful year of fundraising. We're planning on ordering some shared platters and splitting the cost (just let us know if you want to come in on this!). If

you could please let Kelly Reeves now by emailing contactFOHM@gmail.com if you would like to attend asap, that would be great. We hope to see you next Thursday!

Year 5 / 6 Grange Theatre Performance DVDs

A letter was sent home earlier this week with information about how you can order DVD copies of the Year 5/6 performance at the Grange Theatre. We will also be on hand to serve refreshments at Monday evening's event. Good luck to the performers.

Sponsor Dave Wilkinson – LEJOG 2018

Support Dave Wilkinson (grandfather of children at Hartford Manor) as he prepares to take part in LEJOG 2018 Lands End to John O'Groats cycle ride this August by sponsoring him. He has pledged all money raised to the FOHM - amazing! Dave has already raised over £330 in sponsorship money.

Visit our JustGiving Page today to make your donation (thank you):

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/fohm--pta>

Have a great weekend.

Michelle Bebbington, FOHM Chair

4 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

Diary Dates

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

Summer Term:

Monday	16 July	Year 5 and 6 Performance at the Grange Theatre 6.30pm
Tuesday	17 July	Year 2 end of year assembly – 2.30pm
Thursday	19 July	Year 6 Leavers’ Assembly 6.30-7.30pm – St John’s Church Centre
Friday	20 July	Last day of Summer Term - school closes at 1.30pm. There will be <u>no</u> After School Club.

Young Engineers

STEMKIDS

KS1 Young Engineers After School Club

At **Hartford Manor Primary School**

Every Tuesday for 6 weeks

Time: 3.20 - 4.20 PM

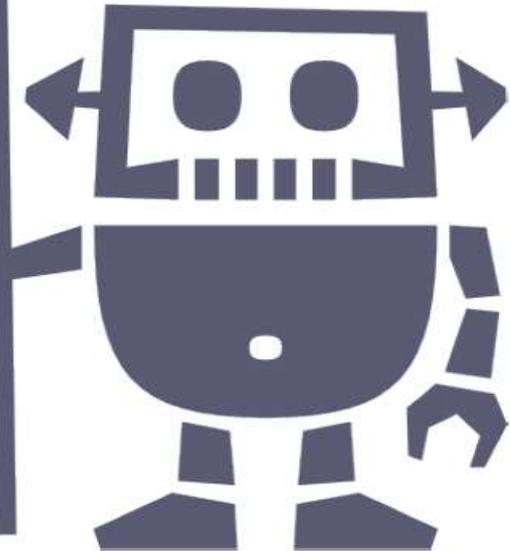
Dates: 11/09/2018, 18/09/2018, 25/09/2018,
02/10/2018, 09/10/2018, and 16/10/2018

Cost: £42.00 per child

Children construct a range of projects including:
**Balloon Powered Cars, Snap Dragons, Catapults,
Pneumatic Monsters, Air Rockets and Scuttle Bugs**
All projects can be taken home

Register online at www.stemkids.co.uk

Places are limited and are reserved on a first come first reserved basis.
If the club is full please register your interest on the waiting list as we
may be able to extend the number of places available
Full Terms and Conditions are on our website



Inspiring Future Engineers

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KS2 Young Engineers After School Club

At **Hartford Manor Primary School**

Every Wednesday for 6 weeks

Time: 3.20 - 4.20 PM

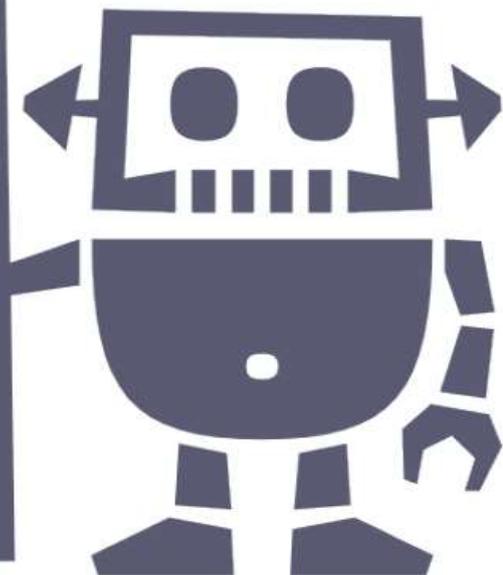
Dates: 12/09/2018, 19/09/2018, 26/09/2018,
03/10/2018, 10/10/2018, and 17/10/2018

Cost: £42.00 per child

Children construct a range of projects including:
**Rollercoasters, Fidget Spinners, Steady Hand Game,
Fan Car & Slime**
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Fabulous Summer Activities at Weaver Hall Museum

Wednesday 1 & Thursday 2 August

Make your own Shield

10am-4pm, drop-in. £1.80 per child.

Prepare yourself for the battle of Northwich and make a Roman/Saxon/Viking/Superhero shield to take home.

Wednesday 8 & Thursday 9 August

Paint a Masterpiece

10am-4pm, drop-in. £1.80 per child.

Picasso, Lowry, Monet. Just three great Artists. Are you one too? Come and find out. Produce your own masterpiece to exhibit at home.

Wednesday 15 & Thursday 16 August

Roman Clay Pots

10am-4pm, drop-in. £1.80 per child.

What did the Romans do for us? Well, Roman pots for one! See some 2,000 year old pottery in the museum then make your own pot.

Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 August

Clay Tiles

10am-4pm, drop-in. £1.80 per child.

Look at the medieval tiles from vale Royal Abbey and make a decorative clay tile to take home.

Friday 24 August

Teddy Bears Picnic

12-3pm, drop-in. Free.

Bring your own picnic and join us for a fun filled afternoon of storytelling and crafts, suitable for early years.

Wednesday 29 & Thursday 30

Build your own Historic Site

10am-4pm, drop-in. £1.80 per child.

Stonehenge, the Pyramids or the Lion Salt Works! Build a model of your favourite historical site or your favourite holiday visit.

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