

16th May 2025 *"Learning Together for Life"*

Dear Parents and Carers,

At Hartford Manor, we are committed to continuous improvement and ensuring that every child thrives. A vital part of this process is gathering regular feedback from our pupils, parents, and staff. Your insights play a key role in helping us evaluate our work and shape our plans for the future.

Each year, we invite parents to complete the Ofsted Parent View questionnaire. This year, to make the process easier, we have used the same questions and created a simple Google Form for you to complete. Your feedback is very important to us and we would be grateful if you could take a few moments to share your thoughts. Please click here to complete the survey: Hartford Manor Parent Survey

With the warmer weather arriving, we'd like to remind everyone about the importance of sun safety. Please ensure your child comes to school with a named water bottle, sun hat, and, where possible, a high-factor sunscreen is applied before the start of the school day. On particularly sunny days, we will encourage pupils to stay in shaded areas during break and lunchtimes.

As you know, attendance and punctuality are key priorities for the school. We're pleased to report that our overall attendance figures continue to improve and are now approaching pre-pandemic levels. Since the Easter break, we've also seen a notable improvement in punctuality, with many more pupils arriving on time and ready to learn each morning.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain these high standards—your efforts are making a real difference.

Simon Kidwell

Principal

School Dinners	Next week, we will be on menu 2. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway. Please note that Edsential increased the cost of school meals to £2.85 from 1^{st} May 2025.		
Non-uniform day Thursday 22 nd May 2025	On Thursday 22 nd May, the children are invited to come to school in non-uniform (no football kits please) in exchange of a bottle donation for the stall at the FOHM summer fair in June. The committee members will be ready at the gate to collect your donations. If your child attends breakfast club, please leave the bottles in the box in the main office. Thank you for your support.		
The Hartford 100 – Join Our 100-Mile Bike Ride	 On Sunday 6th July, I will be leading our first Hartford Manor 100-mile bike ride along with Kathryn Cawley and Mrs Diamond to raise funds for Friends of Hartford Manor. Route: Departing from school at 8:00AM, heading towards Shropshire and returning via the Welch border. 		
	 returning via the Welsh border. Food stops: Planned in Whitchurch and Bangor-on-Dee. Pace: Social, riding in small groups. 		

	We'd love for parents, carers and friends of the school to join us. If you're interested in taking part, please email the school office.
<u>Y1-6 Sports Day</u> <u>21st May 2025</u>	 Just a reminder of the timings for sports day: 10.40am KS2 (Years 3-6) races start – Parents are welcome to attend
	• 2.15pm KS1 (Y1 &2) races start – Parents welcome to attend
Reception and Year 6 class photographs	Tempest photography will be taking the Reception and Year 6 class photographs on Friday 23rd May 2025. Can all children please wear full school uniform (no leavers' hoodies in the photos please).

Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>		
Tuesday 20 th May 2025	Reception sports day-more information to follow.		
Wednesday 21st May 2025	Year 1- Year 6 sports day		
	• 10.40am KS2 (Years 3-6) races start – Parents are welcome to attend		
	• 2.15pm KS1 (Y1 &2) races start – Parents welcome to attend		
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Nursery sports day- more information to follow.		
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Non-Uniform day-bottle donation to FOHM (No football kits)		
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Reception and Year 6 class photographs (Full school uniform required)		
Friday 23 rd May 2025	School closes for half-term		

HOLIDAY DATES 2024 - 25

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
SUMMER HALF TERM 2025	Friday 23 rd May 2025	Tuesday 3 rd June 2025
SUMMER 2025	Wednesday 23 rd July 2025	

INSET DAYS	Monday 2 nd June 2025	
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