



18<sup>th</sup> July 2025

***"Learning Together for Life"***

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another academic year, I want to take a moment to reflect on the many events, achievements and shared experiences that have shaped our school community over the past twelve months.

Firstly, I would like to extend my deepest thanks to everyone for your understanding and compassion regarding the decision to close the school on Monday afternoon for Carla Bentley's funeral. Approximately 40 members of staff attended the service and both Carla's family and our staff were truly grateful for the opportunity to pay their respects. Your support during this time has been a great comfort to all of us.

A special thank you must go to our incredible Year 5 and 6 pupils and the dedicated staff who supported them in their outstanding performance of 'Hoodwinked' at the Brio Memorial Court. The show was a triumph, and I firmly believe we are privileged to work with some of the most talented children in Cheshire. Opportunities like this—performing on a professional stage—allow our pupils to shine and showcase their creativity and confidence.

To all our parents and carers, thank you for your continued support and partnership. Children thrive when schools and families work together and your involvement makes a real difference in their learning and wellbeing. As I reflect on my 14 years as Headteacher/Principal of Harford Manor, I feel truly blessed to be part of such a vibrant, caring, and inspiring community. It is an honour to lead this school and to witness the growth and achievements of so many wonderful young people and staff.

As we close the academic year, we also say farewell to three valued members of our staff team: Mrs. Burrows, Mrs. Argent-Belcher and Mrs. Dean. Each of them has made a significant contribution to our school community through their dedication and care. On behalf of the governors and staff I would like to thank them for everything they have given to Hartford Manor and wish them all the very best.

Wishing you all a restful and joyful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year of learning.

Best Wishes,  
Simon Kidwell

**Principal**

<b><u>School Dinners</u></b>	Next week, we will be on menu 1. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
<b><u>Last day of term</u></b>	School will close at 1.30pm on the last day of term. There will be no after-school club on this day.
<b><u>Return to School</u></b>	We will send a letter out on Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> September outlining the drop-off and collection arrangements (and P.E timetable) for the first week back.
<b><u>Meet the Teacher</u> <b><u>3<sup>rd</sup> September</u></b> <b><u>(Children in Years 1-6 only)</u></b></b>	On Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September from 3:30-5:00pm, we are offering an informal parent drop-in session for Years 1-6. This is an opportunity for your child to show you their classroom and introduce you to their new teacher. Please collect your child in the usual way and then wait on the playground until a member of staff lets you know that the teachers are ready in their classrooms.
<b><u>Bags for Books</u></b>	Children will start bringing books home from school on Monday and Tuesday. Please send your child into school with a strong bag for life to carry the books.

### Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Y6 Leavers' Disco
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	Y6 Leavers' assembly 9am

### HOLIDAY DATES 2024 - 25

HOLIDAY PERIOD	DATE OF CLOSING	DATE OF RE-OPENING
Summer	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025 (1:30pm- there will be no after school club on this day)	Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September- School re-opens for pupils



A vibrant pink poster for the Summer Craft Club. At the top left is a dreamcatcher. In the center is a light blue circle containing the logo 'imagination GET CREATIVE' with a lightbulb icon. To the right of the logo are three craft spoons: one with a cat face, one with a pirate face, and one with a queen's face. Below the logo is the text 'Summer Craft Club' in large, black, cursive font, followed by 'Abbeywood Estate' and 'Delamere' in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom left is a fairy garden in a black tray, featuring a blue house, a yellow house, a path of pebbles, and a pink sign that says 'ISLA'S FAIRY GARDEN'. To the right of the fairy garden is a yellow starburst containing the text '12th August Fairy Garden'. Another yellow starburst at the top left contains the text '30th July Dream Catcher', and a third yellow starburst at the top right contains the text '6th August Story Spoons'.

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