

5th September 2025 "Learning Together for Life"

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of all the staff, I'd like to welcome you all back to Hartford Manor for the start of the new academic year. The school has come alive once again with the energy, enthusiasm, and excitement of our children and they have made a fantastic start!

It's been wonderful to see our pupils arriving in their smart uniforms, ready to learn and eager to embrace the year ahead. Their excellent behaviour in class, around school, and during playtimes has set a positive tone that we are proud to celebrate.

A heartfelt thank you to all the children, parents and carers for the cheerful smiles and warm "good mornings" at the gate — they make a real difference to the start of each day. We also appreciate your patience and perseverance in navigating the local traffic challenges. Your efforts have ensured high levels of attendance and punctuality in this first week.

We'd like to give a special mention to our new Reception and Nursery children, who have made a wonderful start to their time at Hartford Manor. Their confidence and curiosity have been a delight to see.

Equally, our Year 6 pupils have set the tone for the rest of the school. Their behaviour and leadership ripples across the whole school and they are already setting the standard for others to follow — we couldn't be prouder.

As we begin the year, we'd like to share our key school priorities with you:

- Attendance: Every day counts. We'll continue to work together to ensure children are in school, on time, and ready to learn.
- Looking After Ourselves and Others: We'll be focusing on healthy choices including nutrition and movement, to help children thrive both in and out of the classroom.
- Relationships and Respect: Over the coming months, we'll be consulting with families on the new Relationship Education guidance due to come into effect in September 2026. Your voice will be an important part of shaping how we approach this together.

Thank you once again for your continued support. We're looking forward to a year filled with learning, laughter and memorable moments.

Best Wishes, Simon Kidwell

Principal

School Dinners	Next week, we will be on menu 2. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
School Open day - Prospective Parents	In the coming months, parents and carers will be applying for school places for September 2026. We are holding our first open morning for prospective parents on Saturday 27 th September from 9:30am onwards. We would be grateful if you could share this information with any friends or family who have pre-school aged children.
<u>Birthdays</u>	Unfortunately, due to the broad range of dietary requirements and allergy legislation, we are unable to give out birthday treats in school. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.
<u>Uniform</u>	Please ensure that all items are clearly named so that we are able to return mis-laid property to the rightful owner.
After school clubs	After school activities will start again next week. You will be able to book activities from 6.00pm today, using our on-line Events Booking System. To access the booking system, you will need to log on to: https://hartfordmanor.parentseveningsystem.co.uk Look for the activity your child is interested in and click on the box "continue, open for bookings", click "book", then click "book" again on the next screen to confirm you booking. A full list of all clubs and details of any charges are listed below.

Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>				
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	School closes for half term.				
Friday 24 th October 2025	School closed- Staff training day.				
Monday 3 rd November 2025	School re-opens				
Monday 17 th November-Thursday 20 th November 2025	Parents' evening week (booking information will be shared after half-term)				
Tuesday 9 th December 2025 & Wednesday 10 th December 2025	KS1 Nativity in the school hall (2pm)				
Friday 12 th December 2025	Reception & Nursery Christmas performance in the school hall (9am and 2pm)				
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	11:00am Year 3 & Carol Service (St John's Church)				
	2:00pm Year 5/6 Carol Service (St John's Church)				
Friday 19 th December 2025	School closes for Christmas Break.				
Tuesday 19 th May 2026	Reception Sports Day				
Wednesday 20 th May 2026	Years 1-6 Sports Day				
Thursday 21st May 2026	Nursery Sports Day				

Activity	Year	Start Date	End Date	Time	Teacher/ Organisation	Charge	Places available
LEGO	Year 1/2	Monday 8 th September	Monday 20th October	3.20- 4.15	Mrs Diamond		15
DANCE HALL	KS2	Monday 8 th September	Monday 20th October	3.20- 4.15	Rachel Cheshire	£28 – 7 weeks payments to Rachel Cheshire Please pay on 1 st session	25
JUDO		Tuesday 16th September	Tuesday 14 th October	3.20 - 4.20	JudoEd	Letter to follow for payment details	
FOOTBALL	Year 3/4	Tuesday 9th September	Tuesday 21st October	3.20- 4.15	Dfc-coaching	£10.50 - 7 weeks SHIN PADS NEEDED Please pay before 1st session	25
MULTISKILLS	Year 1/2	Tuesday 9th September	Tuesday 21 st October	3.20 - 4.15	K T Sports	£35 - 7 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1st session	25
BOOK CLUB	Year 2/3	Tuesday 9th September	Tuesday 21 st October	3.20 - 4.15	Mrs Hickson		15
FOOTBALL	Year 5/6	Wednesday 10 th September	Wednesd ay 22nd October	3.20- 4.15	Dfc-coaching	£10.50 - 7 weeks SHIN PADS NEEDED Please pay before 1st session	25
BASKETBALL	Year 3/4	Wednesday 10 th September	Thursday 22nd October	3.20- 4.15	K T Sports	£35 - 7 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1st session	25
BASKETBALL	Year 5/6	Thursday 11th September	Tuesday 23 rd October	3.20 - 4.15	K T Sports	£35 - 7 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40-08 REF: Your child's name Please pay on / before 1st session	25
DARTS	Year 5/6	Friday 12 th September	Friday 17 th October	3.20 - 4.15	Mrs Meyer		12

