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Hartford Infant and Preschool & Hartford Junior School Newsletter Friday 18th July 2025

Headteacher Highlights...



This is our last newsletter!

- We hope that the children enjoyed their **Sports Day**, visits to the **Olympic Gym**, **Football Fun Factory** activities, [BrightBites](#) dental sessions and all the other exciting events that took place this week courtesy of the thorough organisation by **Mrs Claire Booth** and **Mrs Jo Smith** our PE Leads.

- Many of our **Year 6** children visited their [St Peter's School](#) as part of their transition to **Year 7** - We hope they had a good time!

Goodbye...



We are sad to say we will be saying a few goodbyes on Tuesday: We will say goodbye to **Miss Emily Gatford** who has worked at **Hartford Junior School** for 5 years. We wish her all the best teaching in her new Year 6 class which is nearer to home; no more long journeys to school! We wish **Mrs Ellie Shaw** who will also leave the **Junior School** after 4 years to work closer to home, all the best and her baby Levi. We are super pleased for **Mrs Cheryl Esaw**, another teacher from **Hartford Junior School** and a former Infant School employee; who is off to further her career in another CAM Trust School. We have loved having her for the past 15 years! We will say good bye to **Mr Ben Wilcox**, one of our great Teaching Assistants at the **Junior School** who will hone his teaching skills in London on a PGCE course. Over in the **Infant and Preschool** we will be wishing **Mrs Irina Tapuc**, one of our lovely Teaching Assistants a fond farewell as she leaves to continue supporting children in a specialist provision. We will also say good bye as **Miss Lily Jai Smith**, who completes her apprenticeship in the Preschool. As many of your know **Mrs Sara Turner** is moving over to teach **Year 3**, luckily all her colleagues at **Infant and Preschool** will still see her on a regular basis. How wonderful though for Mrs Turner to have gained her QTS earlier this month after so much hard work over the last few years! **Mrs Claire Booth** will be working solely at the **Infant and Preschool** and no longer straddling two year groups across both schools. She has done a stonking job! We also want to say a HUGE thank you to **Mrs Claire Gerrard** the former **Deputy Headteacher** at the **Junior School** who will not be returning from her secondment to the Cambs Maths Hub. We wish her well. We are delighted that **Mr Christopher Squires** was successful in securing his position as permanent Deputy Headteacher of the **Junior School**.



1 - Mrs Irina Tapuc



2 - A young Mrs Cherly Esaw ;)



3 - Mrs Sara Turner



4 - Mrs Claire Booth



5 - Mrs Claire Gerrard







Attendance Matters...

The children love getting their prizes!







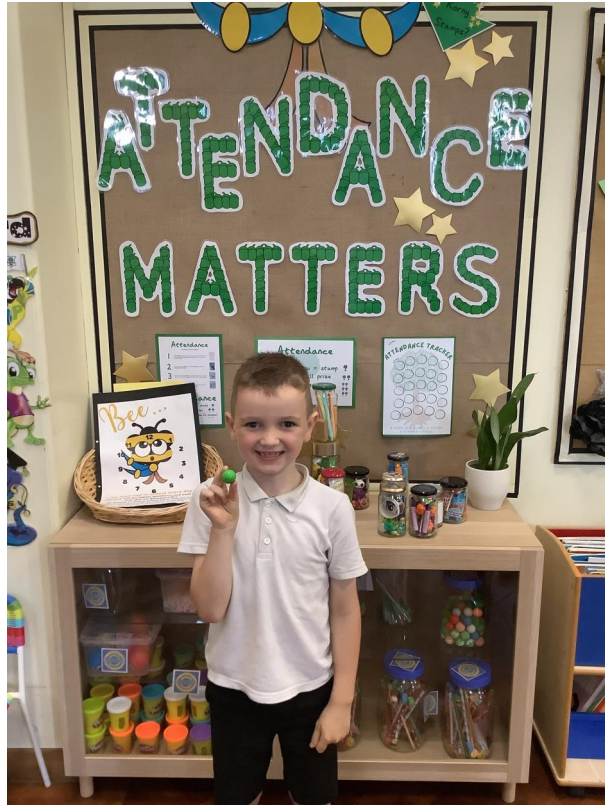












Golden Welly & Broom Awards...



6 - This award is given to a child from both the Infant School and the Junior School for great behaviours that demonstrate our Golden Rules.



7 - This award is given to a child from both the Infant School and the Junior School [it is kept in school] for great tidying up skills.

Our **winners** for this week are... **Golden Welly**

In the **Infant School** - **Alexia** [Class 5] In the **Junior School** - **Clarke** [Holly Class]

Golden Broom

In the **Infant School** - **Bella** [Class 1] In the **Junior School** - **Gabriele** [Willow Class]

Well done to the children for showing us how to play and tidy so well.

OPAL Opportunities...



8 - Please don't forget to bring in anything you think we could use outside at lunchtime.

A **HUGE** thank you to this week's **Play Leaders**:

Evie, Paula, Iza, Freya and Thomas

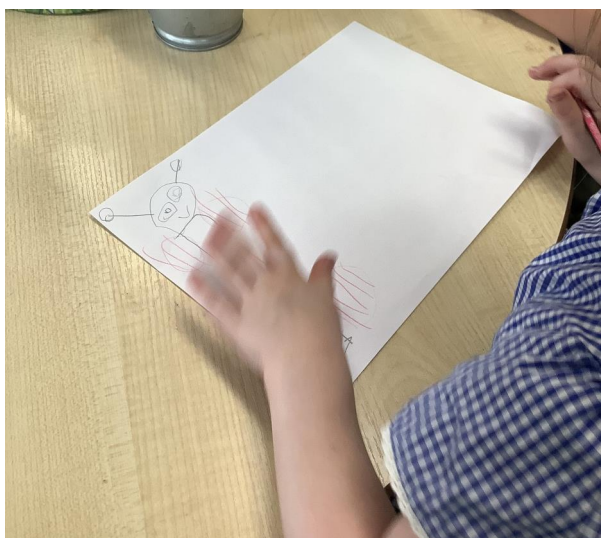
Classroom Curiosity...



Preschool

This week, we have had a wonderful 'Healthy Week'. We enjoyed yoga and dance classes as well as our walk to the Olympic gym where we all took our own shoes and sock off, joined in with a gym session which included balancing on beams, running and jumping into the foam pit and bouncing on the trampoline. We also practiced in PE on Tuesday morning for our sports day races - I think this practice shone through - we were amazing! We also released our butterflies and watched them flutter off into the sky as well as tasting some fruits and vegetables that keep us healthy.

Next week, we will have a tuff tray activity looking at keeping our teeth healthy and we are looking forward to the Summer Fete on Monday and our last day together on Tuesday (we will have a special snack time and some craft activities.)







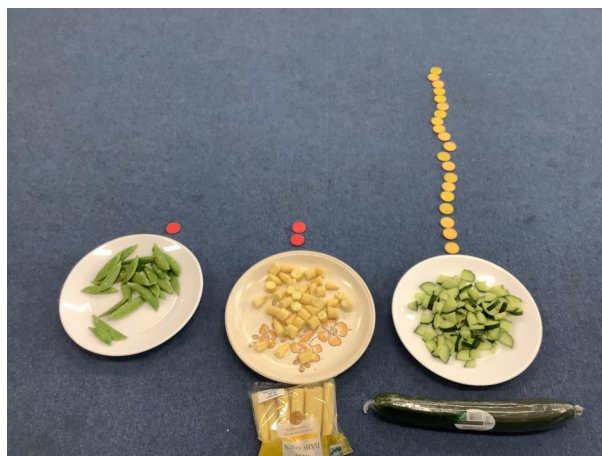
Year R

This week, we have had the opportunity to try lots of new and exciting activities! We have learnt a dance routine, taken part in some football training, enjoyed some yoga and visited The Olympic Gym. The children have been learning about dental hygiene and keeping our bodies and minds healthy. We have thought about sun safety and shared lots of healthy living homework posts via Tapestry – thank you

Next week we will be enjoying some of our favourite games and activities from our year together in Reception. Our enquiry lessons will be focussed on music where we will be exploring the ways we can make long or short sounds using our voices and beginning to understand what is meant by duration and pitch.

Year 1

This week, we have been very busy and we are all exhausted. We have enjoyed being active and had fun participating in sports day, dance lessons and yoga sessions. We even had a visit to the Olympic gym. We have also learnt about how to keep clean, eat healthily, look after our teeth and how to stay safe in the sun and near water. **We hope that you all have a wonderful Summer holiday!**

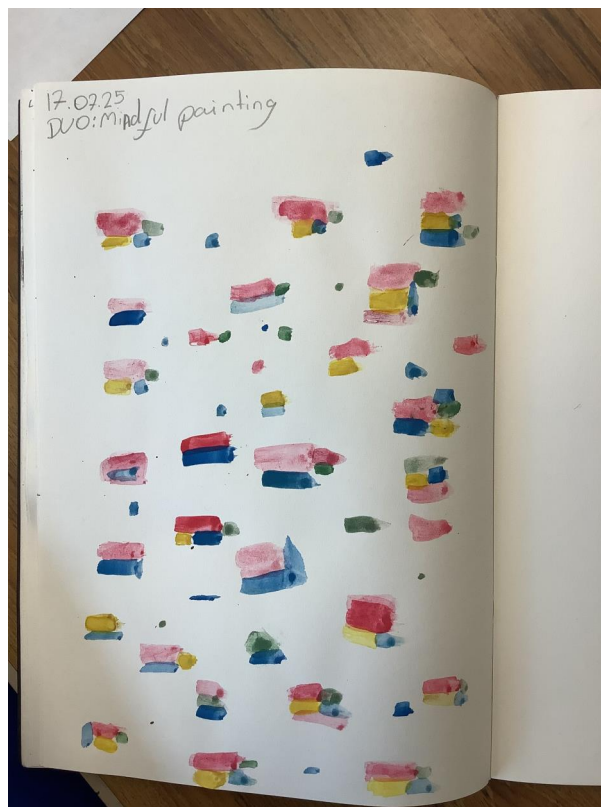


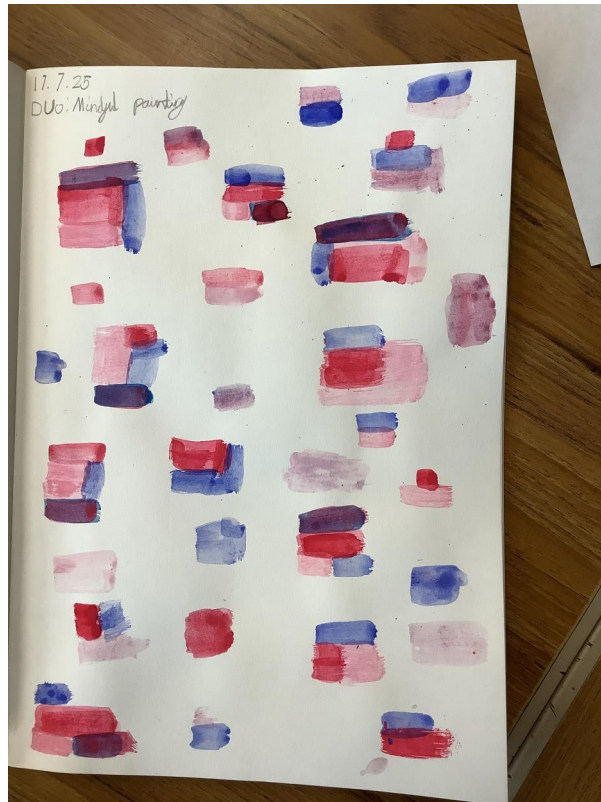
Year 2

This week, we have enjoyed a variety of sports activities including; football, dance, yoga and learning about oral hygiene. We look forward to seeing you all on **Monday 9:00 – 9:30am**. If your child is in **Class 5** please sit on the **left hand side** facing the screen. In **Class 6** the **right hand side**, so you get the best view of your child. The assembly will last approximately **30 minutes**.

Year 3

This week, we have enjoyed a range of PSHE, wellbeing and physical activities. The children have discussed and developed strategies for keeping safe near water, in the sun and in the event of a fire. We have also discussed healthy food choices and other influences upon our choices (e.g. adverts, moods, availability etc.). Year 3 have enjoyed playground games, a trip to the Olympic gym and of course, our sports day. It has been a joyful year with the children. **We wish all of the children a happy and safe Summer holiday (when we get there!).**





Year 4

This week, we enjoyed Healthy week, especially going to the Olympic gym and participating in Sports Day.

Next week, the children will have the school fete and we will be sending books home, so if you can bring in a carry bag for your child, that would be great. **Thank you!**



Year 5

This week, we enjoyed lots of outdoor games. We learnt about water safety, teeth care, and planned healthy meals. We also enjoyed music sessions learning to sing African songs. **Have a wonderful Summer break, keep working on those targets for Year 6!**


Year 6

This week, we had a great time taking part in races at sports day and supporting our peers. We were a little nervous and excited going to secondary school for transition (we look forward to hearing all about it on Monday). Preparations for our leavers assembly have started and we look forward to seeing you all next week to celebrate our Year 6 children on **Tuesday at 9.00am**.





Diary Dates 18.7.2025

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Y2 Leavers Assembly	Year 2	Monday 21 st July	From 9.15am, a chance to reflect on the children's time at Hartford Infant School.
Summer Fete	All schools	Monday 21 st July	From 1.00pm, pay for your child's ticket on Parent Pay [£3.00 per child], bring a picnic blanket and hang around using the field until 5.00pm.
Y6 Leavers Assembly	Year 6	Tuesday 22 nd July	From 9.15am, a chance to reflect on the children's time at Hartford Junior School.
Last day of term	All schools	Tuesday 22 nd July	School will close for the Summer Break. No Treehouse Club for this evening.
Autumn Term	All schools [except YR]	Wednesday 3 rd September	School opens for all children in Y1 through to Y6 from 8.40am for HJS and 8.45am for HIPS. Our Free Breakfast Club will be open from 8.15am Treehouse Breakfast Club will be open from 7.45am
Stay & Play for Toddlers	All toddlers	Tuesday 9 th September	We are inviting all toddlers in the community to come along with mums and/or dads to a soft play session every Tuesday from 9.9.2025 between 9.15am – 10.15am. Refreshments and entrance £1/child. 

Coming up...





Hartford School Fete

1.00pm collect your child from their classroom. If you have a child from **Year 5 or 6** collect from the Junior School Hall back doors.

Your child's **£3 Summer Fete ticket** will allow them to collect an ice lolly, a tombola jar and play 1 game. They will get this ticket on Monday.

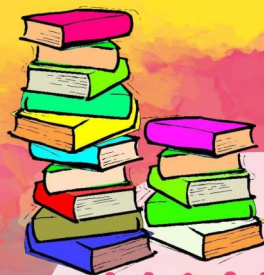
Don't forget that there are **more** activities and games e.g. tattoos, face paints, cakes etc...**bring cash - which range from 20p to £1!**

Any child not collected at 1.00pm can be collected from the **Infant School Hall** until 3.15pm.

You are welcome to stay on the school field until 5.00pm with picnic blankets, most stalls will finish at approximately 4.00pm. **Please note there are no toilet facilities after 3.15pm and all rubbish needs to go home.**

Hartford Infant and Preschool & Hartford Junior School

1.00PM- 4.00PM | 22.7.2025 | FREE ENTRY



WANTED

SECOND HAND GOOD QUALITY SOFT TOYS
AND BOOKS. TOMBOLA JARS FULL OF
SWEETS, CRAFTING, SMALL TOYS ETC

Thank you!





HARTFORD INFANT AND PRESCHOOL



STAY & PLAY

SOFT PLAY FOR TODDLERS
from Tuesday 9th September
9.15am-10.15am
www.hartfordinfantschool.org



£1.00/CHILD