

Hartford Infant and Preschool & Hartford Junior Newsletter 15 16.21.2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hello/Hallo

Can you believe that it is the end of the first term? We have had a great time with your lovely children. Thank you to **everyone** who has supported them with their learning to ensure they can be the best version of themselves. It has certainly been challenging with new roles being established and relationships being strengthened across both the schools. But I believe that we are a better team with so much more partnership work happening now than previously. I am very fortunate to work with dedicated staff who truly want the best for your children from Preschool through to Year 6 and beyond.

This week has been short but very sweet with lots of Christmas activities. In the Junior School the children voted for their favourite Christmas classroom door, congratulations to Willow class for their winning door. Elsewhere, the children in the Infant School drew the last of the advent chocolates which they thoroughly enjoyed. Congratulations to the winners of the competitions across both school. The children should have a little prize for their winning entry. There have been Christmas parties across both school and I have never seen so many sequins and voile on one day! I believe that **every** child has a small present to take home today courtesy of PATHS our PTA. Thank you to our wonderful resident Lill Elf who has stepped in for Santa again and has now become a wonderful tradition in the Infant and Preschool. All children who wanted to go to Elfridges have hopefully been, this year it was a challenge with sickness across the school to ensure everyone went immediately but I thank you for your patience and to all the staff who have wrapped the presents in each school for the children in their break times. What Team Work Tigers they are!

Today we say goodbye to 2 wonderful members of our teams. In the Infant and Preschool we are sad to say good bye to **Mrs Aqila Ali** who has been with us as wonderful Teaching Assistant for many years. She will be sorely missed but we wish her well in her next adventure. In the Junior School we say a fond farewell to **Mrs Nicola Blake** one of our superb cleaners who has secured a position at a nearby school as a Teaching Assistant. How exciting!

Have a wonderful holiday, I do hope it's a peaceful one for **everyone**. Please don't hesitate to contact me via [email](#) over the holidays, I will check in on a regular basis. We look forward to seeing your children and hearing their stories from home on **Thursday 5th January 2023 at 8.45am**. Thank you for all the gifts and especially the kind words within cards. I feel very blessed to be supported by you all. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best wishes/Besten Wünsche Rae Lee [Headteacher]

Dates for the Diary/Termine für das Tagebuch

Spring Term	All Schools	Thursday 5th January	Doors open at 8.45am for children in the Infant and Junior School and 9.00am for Preschool children.
Year 6 Swimming	Junior School	Tuesday 10th January	All Year 6 children will walk to the St Peters Recreation Centre for their swimming sessions after lunch
Half Term	All Schools	Monday 13th February	All Schools closed for this week
Year 5 Swimming	Junior School	Tuesday 21st February	All Year 5 children will walk to the St Peters Recreation Centre for their swimming sessions after lunch
End of term	All Schools	Monday 3rd April	All Schools closed for two week until Friday 14th April 2023

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