



Hartpury C of E Primary School

NEWSLETTER



1st October, 2019

Generosity: *"In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"* **Acts 20:35**

Dear Parents,

As ever, it has been a busy week at Hartpury C of Primary School. There has been plenty of hard work and I have been particularly impressed with the excellent behaviour of the children both in class and on the playground.

PGL



A few weeks ago, Class 4 embarked on their biennial residential trip to PGL in Ross on Wye. Whilst there they took part in a range of outdoor adventurous activities, including street surfing, zip wire, canoing and kyaking (this was the most popular activity by far!). The children used their Emerald Gem Powers to face many different difficulties; for some this was staying away from home overnight, for other this may have been a fear of water or heights. The children all excelled themselves and had plenty of fun too. I was especially impressed with the superb Ruby Gem Powers of support and encouragement that they all displayed.

Watch out for a presentation assembly coming soon where you can learn more about what they did!

Knex Challenge

On Tuesday morning, Class 4 took part in the annual STEMWorks Knex Challenge. This tests their design and engineering skills and is always a very exciting event. Congratulations to Joseph Roche and Monty Waller who won the competition and now progress to the County Final later this year. An honorable mention also goes to Ashton Bubb and Rafferty Biernacki for coming a very close second place.

Teams4U Shoeboxes

As part of our Christian ethos, we try and encourage the children to think about others who have less than them. We were therefore very pleased to welcome in Keith and Sandy from the charity Teams4U who have asked us to help send Christmas present shoeboxes to needy children across the world. We will be sending out leaflets with more details about this soon. If you feel unable to send a whole shoebox of presents in there will also be a chance to send in items that could go in the boxes, e.g. a tube of tooth paste, a small toy or a pair of gloves. I will place a box to collect these outside the office.



Pupil Council

To enable the children to have voice in how our school works, we have a School Council. This is made up of representatives voted on to the council by fellow pupils. The School Council share ideas and suggestions for improving the school as well as deciding on some good causes for us to support during the year. Congratulations to Bethany Haigh, Max Meadows, Harry Booker, Evie Garlick, Lola Bubb, Tyler Jones, Lacey Jones, Herbie Waller, Felicity Ettridge, Zac Hughes, Charlotte Ruxton and Frank Knight for their appointment to this year's Council.



At a recent meeting of the School Council the children decided to raise funds to plant winter flowering plants in the tubs at the front of the school entrance. Therefore, from Monday they will be asking children and staff to guess the weight of one of the amazing pumpkins grown by last year's class 3 children. It will be 50p a go and the winner will win the pumpkin.

Important Upcoming Events:

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest Festival celebration will be held at 9am on Thursday 10th October at Maisemore Church. Please do come and join us if you can! We ask that parents transport their children to the church and take them back to school afterwards. If you are unable to do this, please contact the school office so we can make alternative arrangements. We will be having a harvest collection which will be donated to The Lord's Larder, a food bank in Newent. Please send your child on the day with a donation of food – tins and packets of dried food with a reasonably long shelf-life, please, no fresh vegetables etc.

We have also been asked by the owners of the Business Park next to the church to remind you to park at the Village Hall and walk up to the church. Please do not use the Business Park car park or park on the verges. We also request that you leave the spaces directly outside the church for staff and disabled use.



Hartpury School 150

This year marks the 150 anniversary of the foundation of our school. To celebrate this, we are busy planning a whole week of activities for the children from 14 – 18 October. We would like to give the children a small taste of what school would have been like back in 1889 and so we are having a dressing up day on Wednesday 16th October. It would be great to see children in homemade costumes – shorts or a long skirt, a shirt or blouse and a hat would be wonderful! Please don't feel you need to buy expensive ready-made costumes.

Awards This Week:

Star Badge Winners (Class 4)

The following children have won badges for being top scorers for Dojo points in their classes over the last few weeks:

Gold - Jesiica Forster, Ash Bubb

Silver - Bethany Haigh, Jasmine Fray

Bronze - Ash Bubb, Holly Sherwood, Harriet Griffiths

Values Cup Winners (last 2 weeks)

Ada Sumner, Millie Radcliffe - Class 1

Eliska Searle, Farrah Radcliffe - Class 2

Cody Potter, Amelia Harper - Class 3

Kobe Willband & Aiden Baynham - Class 4

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE

Wk beginning 16th September
Class 1

Wk beginning 23rd September
Class 3

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!

Miss Marks

FRIENDS OF HARTPURY SCHOOL

Our AGM will take place on Wednesday October 9th ,7pm at Hartpury School. Everyone welcome and it would be lovely to see some new faces.

After last year's success, Christmas Wreath making has been organised for Monday 9th December. Tickets are selling fast so get yours quick! £25.00 a ticket from Wendy Bookham.

The clothes bank situated in the car park is proving a massive hit.... thank you. Any unwanted clothes, shoes or bags can be recycled which also benefits the school.

A School disco has been organised for Friday 22nd November. KS1 5.45-6.45pm and KS2 7-8pm. Entrance £2.50 per child including refreshments.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Saturday 5 October, 10.00 – 12.00: Craft and Produce Market featuring Hartpury Village Hall's annual big 100+ club draw live on screen with prizes of £100, £50 and £25 at 11.00.

18/19 October: MADS present **Last of the Summer Wine** at Maisemore Village Hall. Tickets @ £10 via the box office, tel. 01452 525333.

28/29/30 November: Hartpury Drama Group present **Jack and the Beanstalk** at Hartpury Village Hall. Tickets @ £10 from Sundeane Vets or from Kevin Barker on 01452 700061. *(NB: We understand that there has been some concern that the premiere on 28 November could clash with a possible general election at which the hall may be required as a polling station, but that bridge will be crossed if and when it is reached. At worst we could swap the government for a bag of magic beans.)*

1 Feb 2020: The Rain or Shine Theatre Company return to Hartpury with their new seasonal show, **The Wind In The Willows**, following their well-received (and somewhat eccentric) interpretations of Dr Jekyll & Mr Hyde and Sherlock Holmes in the past couple of years.

We will also be hosting **Men in General** performing their show, **A Cappella Quadruplets**, on **14 March 2020**, in association with Air in G. For a taster of what to expect click here: <https://vimeo.com/276031992/0047045016>. Ticket details for both these shows will follow in due course.

Last weekend's jumble sale raised £656 for Hartpury Church; the organisers have asked us to pass on their thanks to all the many helpers on the day. The next jumble sale at the village hall will be on Sat 25 Jan. With best wishes from Hartpury Village Hall.