



# HARTFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL

## HEADTEACHER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026



Dear Parents, Carers and Families

I hope you all had a lovely long weekend. It's been business as usual in school this week with lots of learning going on across all of our year groups. Our Year 6 children have been completing their preparations for their SATs tests next week and I'd like to take this opportunity to wish them all the very best of luck.

#### **Year 5 Mini Police In Action!**

At the end of the day last Friday, our Year 5 Mini Police were greeting parents by the main gates asking them whether they drove or walked to school. The parents who said they drove were asked to sign a 'parking agreement'. This is to ensure the roads around school are kept safe and no one is parking irresponsibly. Next week, our Mini Police will be doing patrols making sure parents and carers have parked sensibly and safely - if not, they will interrogated and may be issued a 'bad parking ticket' - be aware!



#### **Dates For Your Diary**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs Tests  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May/Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – EYEH Rescheduled Parents' Evening Appointments  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May – EY/Year 1/Year 2 PTA Silent Disco  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3/4 PTA Silent Disco & Year 5/6 PTA Silent Disco  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5 Church Visit  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Year 3 Church Visit  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 Church Visit  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – EYKR Come and Play 2pm  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May – EYEH Come and Play 2pm  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May – Year 4 Church Visit  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – School Census Day – Special Themed Lunch  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Break Up For Half Term  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Inset Day – School Closed  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Inset Day – School Closed  
Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – School Reopens For Summer 2  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Year 5 Bikeability Sessions Start – Details To Follow In Due Course  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Conway Residential  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 Buddhist Centre Visit  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 2EC Burwardsley Residential  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – 2RB Burwardsley Residential

#### **Attendance**

Whole school attendance up until Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May was 96.92%. We've had 42 children recorded as late this week.

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### A Sporting Update From Mr Cairns

Two Year 5/6 boys cricket teams went to Hartford High School for a tournament last Thursday. The boys had a fun afternoon in the sun playing some very good cricket. The two teams played against each other first, with the A team beating the B team. The B team then played against Hartford Manor and St. Wilf's, winning one and losing the other. They improved throughout and their bowling was fantastic by the end. The A team won every match by over 50 runs and will now go to the Partnership Final at Oakmere CC on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, well done boys!

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May, the Year 5/6 girls cricket team went to Oakmere Cricket Club for a tournament. They played matches against Sandiway, Cuddington and Charles Darwin. They hit some amazing sixes, bowled some fantastic balls and Emily caught the best catch I have ever seen! They will now go to the County Final in Warrington on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May, well done girls!

### School Census Day – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May – Special Themed Lunch

Our final census day of this school year takes place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May. Our school cook, Mrs Jones, will be providing a special themed lunch on the day – please see the attached menu for details.

### PTA News

As you're aware, we will be hosting a fun-filled Silent Disco for the children next week (see below for a reminder of the dates and times).

Tickets are available via ParentPay, priced at £5.50. This includes entry to the disco, a snack, and unlimited squash. **The deadline to purchase a ticket is today Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> May.** This will give us enough time to purchase snacks etc.

The discos will take place as follows:

- Early Years, Year 1 & Year 2 – Weds 13<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm – 4.30pm
- Year 3 & Year 4 - Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> May 3.30pm – 4.30pm
- Year 5 & Year 6 - Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> May 5pm – 6pm

We're still looking for volunteers, particularly for the 3.30pm – 4.30pm Thursday slot. If you can help please email: [pta@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:pta@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk)

### Preloved Uniform

A reminder that we run a preloved uniform shop to help raise funds for the PTA. Please contact school using this email address [preloveduniform@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:preloveduniform@hartfordprimary.cheshire.sch.uk) and let us know your requirements and your child's name and class.

Due to an influx of donations (thank you!) For the time being we will only be accepting donations of the following:

- Zip tops, hoodies and t-shirts in all sizes.
- Any items aged 9 +

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Warm regards

*S L Cade*

Mrs L Cade  
Acting Headteacher



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**Please find below a list of community events and support sessions we have been made aware of that our families are welcome to access**

**CWAC Parent Carer Forum Event 12<sup>th</sup> May**

**PCF CWAC**  
Parent Carer Forum  
Cheshire West & Chester

**Free Parent/Carer Event**  
**Tuesday 12th May 2026**  
**10:00am – 2:00pm**

**Education, Inclusion & Mental Health**

**What to Expect**

Find out what's happening locally in education  
Learn what support is available in Education and Mental Health and how to access it  
Meet local education and mental health services at our marketplace

**SEND Reforms – What You Need to Know**  
We'll be sharing a clear overview of the Schools White Paper and SEND reforms, including:

- What the proposals mean for families
- What could change in the future
- How you can have your say

**At: Vicars Cross Golf Club, Chester**  
Tarvin Rd, Christleton, Chester CH3 7HN

Free Event - All Welcome - Free Parking - Wheelchair Accessible  
[www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on](http://www.pcfcheshirewest.org/whats-on)

**Baby And Child First Aid Course Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May – St. John's Church Hall**

Please see attached flyer for further information.

**May Half Term Activities – Cheshire West and Chester Museums**

**Grosvenor Museum, Chester, CH1 2DD**, will be running free crafts between 10:30 – 3:30pm. Activities and entry to the museum are free with donations welcome!

26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> May – Make your own Coat of Arms

**Lion Salt Works, Marston, Northwich, CW9 6ES**, will be running free crafts between 10:30 – 3:30pm. Crafts are free with donations welcome.

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May – Make your own Sunset Scenes

**Weaver Hall Museum & Workhouse, Northwich, CW9 8AB**, will be running free crafts between 10:30 – 3:30pm. Crafts are free with donations welcome.

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May – Make you Jellyfish

**Museum Explorer Club** At Weaver Hall Museum, Lion Salt Works, and Grosvenor Museum. Our museums will be running special 1-hour STEM or art-based craft sessions between (11-12pm & 12-1pm) with a dedicated member of the learning team. They are £5 per session and booking is necessary. To book please call Weaver Hall on 01606 271640 or Lion Salt Works on 01606 275066 or Grosvenor Museum on 01244 972197

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Under the Sea – Weaver Hall Museum

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> May – Medieval Mayhem – Grosvenor Museum

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Light, Camera, Action – Lion Salt Works

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Further information can be found on the attached associated flyers.

### **Buccaneer School Uniform**

Please see the attached flyer from our school uniform supplier.

### **Level 2 Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools Course**

Please find attached flyers for the new L2 Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools course due to start in September 2026.

If you have any questions, please contact your nearest Skills and Employment Hub or you can use this link to find out more: [Teaching Assistant course | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

### **Cheshire FA May Half Term Football Holiday Camp**

Cheshire FA are running an action-packed three days of football, fun and confidence-building activities led by their UEFA & FA qualified coaches.

The camp features a range of themed days, including skills challenges, match play and tournaments, providing an enjoyable experience for children of all abilities.

The links to the camp websites are below and flyers are attached:

Girls Football Camp: [Girls May Football Camp \(Cheshire FA\) | Cheshire Football Association | Pitchbooking](#)

Boys Football Camp: [Boys May Football Camp \(Cheshire FA\) | Cheshire Football Association | Pitchbooking](#)

### **STEM Focused Holiday Club**

A STEM-focused holiday club is being held at The Grange School Sports Centre from 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> May. The club is designed for children aged 8–13. These sessions provide a safe, engaging environment where children can build confidence, develop practical skills, and enjoy hands-on learning outside the classroom.

Across the week, pupils will take part in activities such as:

- Coding and creative challenges using robotics
- Exploring the science of flight
- Building and programming their own robots
- Collaborative engineering challenges

Flyer attached with further information.

### **CA Alternative Futures Holiday Club**

CA Alternative Futures are a local holiday club provider offering an inclusive programme for children of all abilities, including those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). We will be running our Holiday Club during the upcoming May half term. Our club provides a fun, safe, and supportive environment with a range of engaging activities for children. All places are paid this time, but we also offer free HAF places in other holidays. Please see the attached flyers for further information.

### **Wrexham Brick Festival – Celebrating All Things Lego – 20<sup>th</sup> June**

The Wrexham Brick Festival is an exciting celebration of all things LEGO, but it isn't just about fun – although it is absolutely packed full of that too! Brick Festival events also invite visitors to explore a range of STEM subject skills through the medium of LEGO bricks. How do you become more interested in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths? By understanding them. And how do you best understand things? By having fun while learning. LEGO is the perfect tool for developing new skills, exploring new ideas and having new adventures. Flyer attached.