



11th September 2026

"Learning Together for Life"

Dear Parents and Carers,

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to extend a very warm welcome back to Hartford Manor as we begin the 2026-2027 academic year.

The school has come alive once again with the energy, enthusiasm and excitement of our children, and it has been wonderful to see how quickly they have settled back into their routines. From Nursery through to Year 6, our children have made a fantastic start to the year and should be incredibly proud of themselves.

It has been a pleasure to see children arriving each morning in their smart uniforms, ready to learn and eager to embrace the opportunities that lie ahead. Their good behaviour in lessons, around school and on the playground has helped create a positive and purposeful atmosphere across the school.

Thank you to all our parents and carers for your continued support. The friendly smiles and warm greetings at the gate each morning make a real difference and help create the welcoming environment that makes Hartford Manor such a special place. We also appreciate your patience in managing the busy traffic around school and your efforts to ensure children arrive on time and ready to learn each day.

We would like to give a special mention to our new Nursery and Reception children, who have made a wonderful start to life at Hartford Manor. Their confidence, curiosity and enthusiasm for learning have been a delight to see.

Our Year 6 pupils have also begun the year exceptionally well. As the oldest children in the school, they play an important role in setting the standard for others through their behaviour, attitude and leadership. We are already seeing many examples of them acting as excellent role models for younger pupils.

Finally, I would like to thank parents and carers for their support in helping to keep our school community safe at the beginning and end of the school day. We have received a small number of concerns about vehicles parking on the pavement along Carriage Drive, which can make it difficult for children, families with pushchairs and other pedestrians to pass safely. Some families have told me that a "Park and Walk" approach works well for them, parking a few minutes away from school and walking the final part of the journey together. This can help to reduce congestion around the school gates while also providing children with a healthy start and end to their day. We are grateful for everyone's consideration and support.

Best wishes,
Simon Kidwell
Principal

<u>School Dinners</u>	Next week, we will be on menu 3. Please pay for your meals via School Gateway.
<u>After School Clubs</u>	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.
<u>School Open day for Prospective Parents</u>	In the coming months, parents and carers will be applying for school places for September 2027. We are holding our first open morning for prospective parents on Saturday 3rd October 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.

Diary Dates

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Tempest Photography- Individual Photographs (children should wear full school uniform- no P.E kits)
Thursday 22 nd October 2026	School closes for half-term
Friday 23 rd October 2026	School Closed- INSET Day
Monday 2 nd November 2026	School Opens
Monday 2 nd November 2026	Reception-Year 6 Flu Vaccinations (Further information will follow)
Wednesday 4 th November 2026	Tempest Photography- sibling photographs (children should wear full school uniform- no P.E kits)
Monday 16 th November 2026-Thursday 19 th November 2026	Parents’ evening week (further information to follow)
Wednesday 9 th December & Thursday 10 th December 2026	2:00pm KS1 Nativity (school hall)
Friday 11 th December 2026	9:00am and 2:15pm Nursery and Reception Nativity (school hall)
Tuesday 15 th December 2026	11:00am Year 3 & Carol Service (St John’s Church) 2:00pm Year 5/6 Carol Service (St John’s Church)
Friday 18 th December 2026	School closes for Christmas break
Monday 4 th January 2027	School re-opens

Autumn 1 Clubs

Activity	Year	Start	End	Time	Teacher/ Organisation	Charge	Places
DANCE HALL	KS2	Monday 14 th September	Monday 19 th October	3.20- 4.15	Rachel Cheshire	£24 – 6 weeks payments to Rachel Cheshire Please pay on 1st session	25

JUDO	KS2	Tuesday 15 th September	Tuesday 13 th October			See leaflet attached to email	
FOOTBALL	Year 3/4	Tuesday 15th September	Tuesday 20 th October	3.20- 4.15	Dfc-coaching	£12 - 6 weeks SHIN PADS NEEDED Please pay before 1st session	25
BASKETBALL	Year 5/6	Tuesday 15th September Not 6th October	Tuesday 20th October	3.20 – 4.15	K T Sports	£25 - 5 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
ART	Year 1/2	Tuesday 15th September	Tuesday 20th October	3.20 – 4.15	Mrs Hickson		15
FOOTBALL	Year 5/6	Wednesday 16 th September	Wednesday 21 st October	3.20- 4.15	Dfc-coaching	£12 - 6 weeks SHIN PADS NEEDED Please pay before 1st session	25
	Year 3/4	Wednesday 16th September	Wednesday 21 st October	3.20- 4.15	K T Sports	£30 - 6 weeks payments to K T Sports Ltd ACC: 35959606 SORT: 60-40- 08	25

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MULTISKILLS	Year 1/2	Thursday 17 th September	Thursday 22 nd October	3.20 – 4.15	K T Sports	£30 - 6 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	Thursday 17 th September	Thursday 22 nd October	3.20 – 4.15	Mrs Meyer		12
HM ROXSTARS	Year 5/6	Thursday 17 th September	Thursday 22 nd October	3.20 – 4.15	Miss Hadfield Mrs Hadfield		20



Judo is coming to your school!



Scan the QR Code to book a place for your child



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