

Hartshorne C of E



Primary School

March 2024 Updates

Friday 8 March 2024

Christian Vision and Values

Our Christian value this half term is: Curiosity

Vision

Our vision and values are born out of God's love and nurture of all creation. Together we work as a family to see one another grow and flourish: Knowing that we are precious and unique to God.

We aim to live out our values in our school and the world around us: as we play our part in God's wonderful creation story

Motto

God's family, growing together, inspiring our world

Holidays in Term Time

A reminder that Headteachers cannot authorise holidays during term time unless time out of school is essential due to exceptional circumstances. Holidays will be unauthorised, and it will be up to the local authority as to whether they issue penalty notices to each parent who has responsibility for the child.

Online Safety

Article - A Social Media Ban for Children Would Solve Nothing

It's one of those discussions where there can be a huge range of subjective opinions and thoughts: will banning social media for children (perhaps under 16) actually achieve anything? Is it even possible? What does the real scientific evidence (rather than media clickbait) tell us?

Prof. Andrew Przybylski is, as far as I'm concerned, one of the leaders in relation to his studies. In this article in Science Focus magazine he gives a very balanced and informative opinion on whether social media should be banned.

You can see the article, a 3 minute read, [HERE](#).

For Parents - Second-Hand Devices

Parents will often hand down out of contract devices to their children. This is great, it can save a lot of money, but there needs to be consideration before handing older devices to children. You can find lots of useful information, things to consider and guides to second-hand devices from Internet Matters [HERE](#).

Courtesy of Alan Mackenzie

Easter Bingo Donation Prizes

The School Council would like to ask if you could donate any Easter prizes for their Bingo event. They will be very grateful for donations of Easter eggs or anything Easter related. Please send anything into school next week.

Mercia Academy formerly William Allitt are holding an information evening regarding their new school building. <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/hartshorne/UploadedDocument/ee336382-4426-4263-9762-921279fdacd0/information-evening-mercia-academy.pdf>

School Breakfast

Good news. We will continue to provide free breakfast for all children until July 2025. Read here for more information <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-school-breakfast-club-programme>

To ensure your child receives a breakfast at school remember to complete the form sent via text and ensure your child is in school for 8.30 so they have time to eat it.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. If you are worried or concerned for the welfare of a child please call 01629 533190.

Dates For Your Diary

<https://hartshorne.secure-primarysite.net/term-dates-1/> Term dates for this academic year

<https://hartshorne.secure-primariesite.net/letters-to-parents/> Swimming dates for Pine Class

12 Mar Pine Lake Parents' Meeting 3:15 in Pine Class

19 April Bikeability & Learn to Ride (Pine and Oak) Information to follow nearer the time

30 Apr Whole School Skipping Workshop PE Kit needed

13 May Y6 SATs week

13 May Bag 2 School

3-14 Jun Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

10-14 Jun Y1 Phonics Screening Check

26-28 June Pine Lake Residential for Pine Class. Information to follow

1 Jul Governor visits in school

2 Jul Whole School Skipping Workshop PE Kit needed

3 Jul KS2 Sports Skills at Moorways Stadium, Derby (More information to follow)

10 July Family Picnic and Sports Day

17 July Family Picnic and Sports Day (Reserve)

Have a lovely weekend
