

Hartshorne C of E



Primary School

December 2023 Updates

Friday 15 December 2023

Christmas Dinner Monday 18 December 2023

If your child would like a Christmas dinner please pay on parent pay if you usually pay. There will be no other options on Monday. If your child does not want a school dinner then please provide them with sandwiches.

Christmas jumpers can be worn with school uniform on the bottom half.

Infant Nativity - Ticket Only

Polite reminder that "Born in a Barn" commences at 2.00pm on both days. The children and staff have worked really hard and would like you to watch it with your eyes and not through a screen. You will be able to take photos of your own children at the end of the production. Please do not video or take photos during the performance. We have many children who are not allowed to be photographed for safeguarding reasons.

Don't forget that spare cash knocking about at home. Children will come round with donation buckets. This money really helps with purchasing the performance and license as well as replacing costumes.

We look forward to seeing you.

Honey

Our bees have made lots of honey and we have jars for sale at £3.50. This is available to buy on Parent Pay.

Car Parking

Unfortunately, we have received complaints from residents saying their drives have been blocked by parents when dropping off and collecting their children from school. As well as this, some residents have been upset at the verbal abuse received when asking politely for parents to move their cars. As a result, there has recently been a police presence outside school. The police have issued an information leaflet; <https://primarysite-prod-sorted.s3.amazonaws.com/hartshorne/UploadedDocument/8dbe8c1a-7dab-4dea-846f-f0b59c0dbb69/parking-flyer-for-parents.pdf>

Please, please park considerately. We are a small community and we value our place within it.

Derbyshire Music Hub Opportunities

For children and young people who play musical instruments and sing:

Derby Music Centre is a hub partner with the [Derbyshire Music Education Hub](#) and offers over 20 ensembles and [music groups](#) for children and young people to play and sing in every Saturday during [term time](#). [Concerts](#) and events are performed throughout the year to celebrate the successes of each and every member and to showcase the very best in music-making opportunities in Derby for young people. Please share this link with pupils, schools, families and teachers to enable the next players and singers to come and join Derby Music Centre from January 2024. <https://www.derbymusiccentre.com/post/come-and-join-dmc>

Online Safety

For Parents - Little Digital Helps Toolkit

This is a really useful toolkit for parents/carers who may be unsure about what parental features are available on their children's devices. Put together by Internet Matters and Tesco it takes around 8 minutes to answer a few questions and then receive a tailored toolkit.

All details about the toolkit can be found [HERE](#).

For Parents - Roblox Checklist 2023

I shared this checklist a few months ago, but with Christmas just around the corner it's a useful resource to share with parents, particularly as Roblox is one of the most popular games out there.

Roblox and SWGfL have collaborated together and created a checklist for parents which includes:

- How to report abuse.*
- How to block users.*
- Setting up a parent control pin.*

- *And more.*
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The resource can be downloaded [HERE](#).

Courtesy of Alan Mackenzie

Is Your Child a Fussy Eater?

<https://kr.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/local-offer/information-and-advice/parenting-courses/beyond-fussy-eating>

Beech Class Experience Christmas at St Peter's Church

<https://hartshorne.secure-primariesite.net/beeceh-9/>

Christian Vision and Values

Our Christian value this half term is: Nurture

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

Attendance

We would like to thank families for their continued support in ensuring your children attend school regularly. There has been a rise in children being off due to sickness and holidays. We do not authorise

holidays in term time and therefore, we use the Derbyshire guidance of penalties for families who choose to do so during term time. Please see attached the NHS guidance for keeping children off during sickness. [Is my child too ill for school? - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

Please can we also remind you that the gates close at 8.45 am. Registration closes at 8.50am. Once the registers are closed a late mark is used if your child attends school after this time. Please be aware that a late mark affects the overall attendance and has an impact on your child's learning for the day.

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-primariesite.net/term-dates-1/> Term dates for next academic year

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

18 Dec Christmas lunch and jumper day

20 Dec Willow and Beech Nativity at Church 2.00pm - Ticket only

21 Dec Willow and Beech Nativity at Church 2.00pm - Ticket only

22 Dec Holiday - School Closed

8 Jan start of spring term - school open

10 Jan Kickboxing assembly followed by information home for a club (all years)

18 Jan Governor visits to school

6 Feb Safer Internet Day

13 Feb Willow Class visit to Tutbury Castle - information after the holidays

14 Feb Governor visits into school

6 Mar Pine Class retreat day to Edale (Information to follow nearer the time)

7 Mar Pine and Willow Class Fire Safety talk

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

13 May Y6 SATs week

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 after the holidays

1 Jul Governor visits in school

Have a lovely weekend

