



St Mary the Virgin Church of England Primary School

Hartfield East Sussex TN7 4AA

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Term 1 Week 6

Friday 11th October

Headlines from the Head

Focus on Social Justice Projects

Celebrating MacMillan Coffee Event

It was so wonderful last week, to see so many of our wider community members coming to the MacMillan Coffee event organised and run by our Lovely Lilac class. The children prepared for the event by making cakes in school, writing letters to local community members, posting them by hand, creating posters and bunting and serving them tea, coffee and cakes with a smile. They **raised an amazing £509.06 plus 10 euros!** Well done Lilac Class and thank you to all who donated cakes.



Moving forward it is a key focus across the school, this academic year, for each class to engage with a social justice initiative - some local some global. The aim is to build on their 'love' for others by developing their 'fire' to fight for social justice beyond their own lived experiences.

Maple (EY) will be linking with the elderly in our community by visiting some of the regular village lunches, taking books to read and will be singing carols at Christmas as a way of tackling loneliness.

Cherry (Year 1/2) will be exploring the link we have with our adopted elephant Toto and the rescue centre that Mr Black has linked us with in Kenya.

Willow (Year 3/4) are working towards achieving the 'Better Planet Schools Award' by linking with our 'Wildlife Explorers' lunchtime club and Mrs Rowberry, and over the year will be learning more about 3 topics - biodiversity, sustainable farming and endangered animals.

Lilac (Year 5/6) are linking with Starfish Malawi organisation to make direct links with teachers and children in a school in Malawi called Mikute school. They will start by learning about each other and then plan to make tangible links such as story writing for each other and finding ways to support them based on what they feel would help.

Each class teacher will be writing to you with more information soon, as well as sharing ways that you as parents can support these class endeavours!

Jane Robinson
Head of School

If you need the newsletter, or any other school letter, to be in a different format, please speak with Mrs Funnell in the school office.

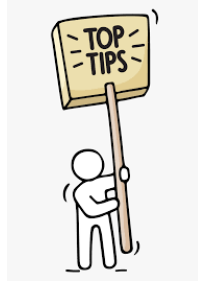
If you need help or support with access to any information, please also contact Mrs Funnell.

Top Tips

Letters, emails and WhatsApp's home this fortnight. Please check below and let the office know if you have missed any:

Whole School:

- Celebration Assemblies
- Request to contact school office if above email not received



Lilac Class

- Starfish Malawi
- Forest School
- PE Kit (x2)
- Class Trip

Willow Class

- Class Trip
- PE Kit (x2)
- Homework

Selected

- Girls Football Tournament

Dates for your Diary

October

14th: Final Date for Christmas Cards to be returned
15th: Open Morning 9:15am - 11:00am
15th: FGB Meeting 5:00pm - 7:00pm
16th: Collective Worship - in church 9:30am
16th: Beacon Cross Country
17th: Bede's Multi-Sports - Willow Class
17th: Forest School - Lilac Class with Nutley and Groombridge

17th: Community Café 2:00pm - 4:00pm

19th: **Open Afternoon 1:30pm - 2:30pm - please note change of time**

19th: Arts for All Day

22nd: Herstmonceux - Willow Class

23rd: Collective Worship - in church 9:30am

24th: 'Escape Rooms' - Lilac Class

24th: Parent/Carer Forum 2:00pm- 3:00pm Hall

25th: Last Day Term 1

November

Monday 4th - first day Term 2

Monday 4th - Parent Prayer meeting 8:50am in prayer space.

Being Prepared:

November

Sunday 10th - Remembrance Service - in church

Wednesday 13th November: Remembrance Service - churchyard

Thursday 28th - PTFA Wreath Making evening

December

Saturday 7th December - Christmas Fair

Sunday 8th December - Christmas Praise - in church

Wednesday 17th December - School Nativity

Friday 18th December - Christingle and End of Term Service



Parent Prayers

At the beginning of each term, parents gather together in the prayer space at the front of school to prayer for our school community.



Over the previous term, staff and children collate topics that they would like prayed about, and the parents use these and their own thoughts during a quiet time together.

This is an open group and all parents are welcome to attend.

Next meeting: Monday 4th November, 8:50am.



Change of Date

Please check your calendars to ensure you have the correct day written for last day of this academic year. There was an initial error on the school website, now corrected.

The last day of Term 6 is Monday 21st July 2025.

Thank you

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St Mary's Star Skills



"Skills for learning, skills for life"



SkillsBuilder PARTNERSHIP

Star Skills

Each week, one pupil from each class is recognised for their 'star skills' development. This year, to ensure we celebrate with clarity, certificates are given when a child has shown amazing growth in a particular area, which is then recognised in Celebration Assembly on Fridays.

Celebrations for this term:

Charlie (Cherry): who has worked so hard in his learning this week his **positive attitude** has shone.

Nicco: who has demonstrated strong **leadership** this week, being a fantastic role model to everyone in school, especially the Maple Class children.

Scarlet: who has shown great **teamwork** in class, when tidying up, collaborating with others effectively and encouraging others to work together to complete tasks.

Dexter: demonstrated his amazing **creativity** development, in his fantastic Villain's Lair' descriptive writing. He used brilliant vocabulary and thought carefully about how best to entertain the reader.

Thomas: has been **aiming high**, going above and beyond in every piece of work he completes. He has been really focussing on his handwriting within English and presentation in his maths book.

Jonty: has been developing great **listening** skills and applying sounds to spell words in phonics.

Charlie (Willow): has been demonstrating his amazing ability to work as part of a **team**, tidying the class and putting things away into the correct spaces

Sid: has really been aiming high, working hard on his phonics and remembering so many sounds!

Liv: has been **aiming high**, going above and beyond during home learning when she completed some awesome sentences.

Josh: skills in **creativity** are growing. His design of the Villain's Lair is awesome; he has such brilliant ideas and vocabulary for his descriptive writing.

Well done to you all!



Sports' Awards

The PE specialty this term is tag rugby, (with some attention to cross country) and Miss Ambrose has awarded the following children Sports Awards over this term:



Maple : Willow for amazing progress in PE and making sure the rest of her class understand activities

Cherry : Ida for being extremely helpful in PE and always asking how she can improve

Willow : Lois for good progress in tag rugby!

Lilac : Evelyn for pushing through a challenging cross country trial

Maple - Ted M for amazing skipping in our PE lesson on Monday

Cherry - Finn for helping his team mates in PE

Willow - Bertie for fantastic insight in our accessible sport lesson

Lilac - Teagan for amazing work in our team activities

Maple - Lola for doing great listening in our PE lessons

Cherry - Isaac F for always bringing lots of enthusiasm to our lessons and always asking lots of questions.

Willow - Jax for stepping up when he was needed last minute for football.

Football

Over the last few weeks, we were very lucky to take two football teams to the Bedes' Year 5 and 6 football tournaments. The boys and girls' football teams excelled in training sessions, working on their passing, intercepting and team work skills and then showed these skills against a wide range of schools.

Our amazing boys' team came second in the Bedes' Plate Tournament and showcased their incredible teamwork, communication and resilience. They came away extremely proud of their performance and there was a strong sense of teamwork and sportsmanship. We had our amazing goal keeper Rory who saved some extremely challenging goals and penalties.



We also took a fantastic girls' football team, who worked extremely hard in their training sessions and who built up lots of confidence for this event. They showed such determination, team spirit and communication skills during their matches and represented their school to such a high level. The girls should be extremely proud of their achievements and we can continue their enthusiasm for girls football in the future!

A huge congratulations to both teams!

School Values

Love: love and respect yourself and all others, treating them as you would like to be treated.

Luke 10: 25-37

Strength: recognise people's strength and use your own to be resilient and the best you can be in all that you do.

John 6: 1-14

Faith: have faith in yourself and others, and be honest and truthful. Believe that you never know what you can achieve until you try.

Luke 5: 1-11



Each week, one pupil from each class is recognised for their engagement within our school values which underpin our vision of 'being the best we can be, in a thriving community, following the example of Jesus'. Again, these are recognised in our Celebration Assembly on Fridays but we want also to celebrate them with. This term:

Ivie-Sue: thank you for showing us love this week and for being a fabulous friend to other children, and for being such a lovely fun member of class.

Ruby-Mae: thank you for your strength this week, for being really brave and resilient in school, even when you were not feeling 100%. Well done!

Bertie: thank you for showing us your amazing love and caring nature this week, when creating a poster about disabilities in sport, Bertie showed amazing empathy and compassion when sharing his ideas.

Logan: thank you for showing amazing love to the community by delivering the MacMillan letters to Hartfield village, enabling folk to come to our coffee afternoon.

Riley: thank you for showing amazing love to the community, being so kind and helping in delivering the MacMillan Coffee afternoon letters through the village in his own time.

Zach: thank you for being a shining example of faith, showing faith in himself and not giving up when tasks have felt tricky. Zach has shown that he believes in what he is capable of and that his belief resulted in fantastic maths learning.

Isaac (Willow): thank you for demonstrating your amazing faith, working really hard in RE and showing and amazing knowledge about the Bible. He has been producing some lovely prayers for church to share with the rest of the school, displaying his faith across our school community.



Headteacher Awards

When the children display extra-ordinary prowess through their time within school, they celebrate their success with our Headteacher, Mrs Robinson and they will discuss whether it should receive a Headteacher Award.

This week, we have four children who have received this:



Ruby! Your information about hedgehogs was awesome! You included great facts and worked so hard and independently.



Charlie! We were so proud of your excellent writing – we are all so impressed by your care, your choice of language and the time you took!



Liv! Your writing is sensational! You used such rich language – it made me want to read more and more!

**Huge congratulations to William, Liv,
Ruby and Charlie.
Well done!**



William! Your descriptive writing is wonderful! You so carefully considered which words to choose.
Well done!

Local News

We have received an email from Hartfield Parish Council asking parents to be considerate when parking in the High Street and Church Street. Some of our parking and manoeuvres have been less than safe and are causing some issues for residents.

Many thanks for your support with this.



Local News



The Bear Inn (previously the Anchor) is under new ownership and we made a visit to the new manager there to request continuation of parking access for parents at drop off and pick up time.

Happily, they were happy for this to continue and suggested that you may wish to try out their new coffee shop - the Honey Pot, if you are early or have time to spare!

Local News

To ensure an equitable approach, it seemed prudent to also mention our long establish tearooms at Pooh Corner.

No parking considerations available but somewhere to pop for tea/coffee if you have a spare moment!



Wellbeing Poster

Our Wellbeing Posters this week, looks at being a Parent Guide to keeping Stress in Check, which has been sent to us by 'dragonflyimpact' and is part of Thrive 365 . Full copy available on our [website](#)



Parent Guide

KEEPING STRESS IN CHECK

15 simple tools for you to try with your child or teen to help reduce or relieve stress every day



www.dragonflyimpact.co.uk



St Mary's School PTFA
Christmas Wreath
Making

November 28th, 7pm in School

Join us for a fun and festive evening, making your own beautiful Christmas Wreath!

£20/person including all materials, tools, hot drink & mince pie.

All welcome! Invite a family member, friend or neighbour!

Booking & payment in advance is essential by 15th November.

Please email PTFAhartfield@gmail.com or call 01892 770221 to secure your place.



No cost opportunity to support your PTFA and therefore, your children!
Sign up before your Christmas shop!

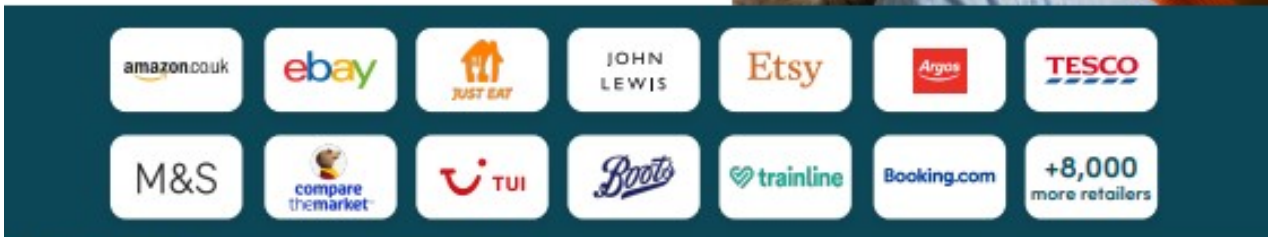
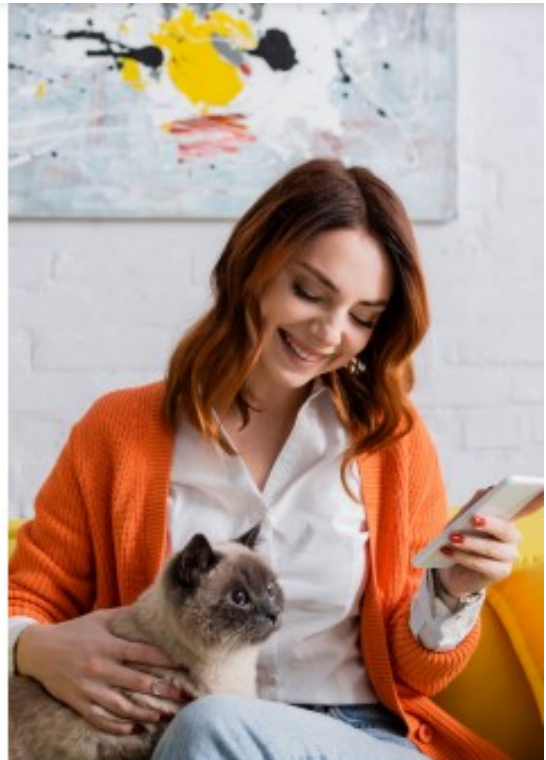


Support your child's future

Sign up to online cashback site, easyfundraising, and select your child's school as your chosen good cause.

Then, when you shop online with over 8,000 retailers, the retailer will give the school a free donation as a thank you for shopping with them.

It's as simple as that. No matter what you buy, from food shops to holidays and everything in between - it's a free and easy way to support your school.



How to get started

Head to easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause and search for your child's school, or scan the QR code.

Registration is free and will take you less than two minutes to sign up!



17,000 schools and PTAs have raised over £12.5 million using easyfundraising.

Sign up and support your child's future today.

No cost opportunity to support your PTFA and therefore, your children!
This offer expires at the end of November so please, sign up now!

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ST MARY THE VIRGIN
CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

PTFA CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY
7TH DECEMBER
12 to 3PM

HARTFIELD
SCHOOL



DON'T MISS A
SPECIAL VISIT FROM
**Father
Christmas**

TO BOOK A TIME SLOT PLEASE EMAIL
PTFAHARTFIELD@GMAIL.COM

**FREE
ENTRY**

- CHRISTMAS GAMES AND CRAFTS
- LOCAL BUSINESS STALLS
- SECOND HAND TOY SALE
- CAFÉ WITH FOOD SERVED BY PROFESSIONAL CHEF
- RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE WITH SOME GREAT PRIZES

ALL MONEY RAISED WILL BENEFIT OUR FABULOUS VILLAGE SCHOOL

Opportunity - this weekend



Hartfield Village Hall

AUTUMN

Craft Fair

12pm to 4pm
Saturday October 12th

20 local vendors showcasing
a variety of arts and crafts.
Great for early Christmas
Shopping.

Refreshments Available

Contact Paula on
hartfieldvillagehall@gmail.com
07973448494

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Opportunity - next weekend



11am-4pm Sat 19th October
St Mary's Church, Hartfield

**Hartfield's annual FREE art event for all ages
with the theme of LIGHT**

LIGHT DRAWING - draw with coloured torches in the air

LANTERNS - sculpt beautiful lanterns in clay

RAINBOWS - draw a giant communal rainbow

LIGHT SPINNING - make and spin illuminated cones

SILHOUETTES - use shadows to create silhouette art

and much more.....

Drop in and try as many activities as you like

Lunch & snacks stall - bring cash

ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED

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ajberryartist@gmail.com

www.hartfieldarts.wordpress.com

Organised by St Mary's Church and **HARTS** Hartfield Arts & Theatre Society

Half Term Opportunity - free of charge



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What has Baron Munchausen been up to on his adventures?
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is essential.

Thursday 31 October | 11:30 - 12:30pm

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Fun FOOTBALL FOOTBALL CAMP

Hailsham Primary Academy
BN27 4FB

28th October - 1st November 2024

Breakfast Club 07:45-08:45 £6.00

Main Day 08:45-15:15 £25.00

After Camp Club 15:15-16:15 £6.00

SHOOTING DRILLS

FOOTBALL ROUNDERS

SKILL ACTIVITIES

FOOTGOLF

FOOTBALL TENNIS

FOOTBALL MATCHES

GOALKEEPING DRILLS

Half Term Opportunity

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MULTI ACTIVITY

CAMP

28th October - 1st November 2024

Hailsham Primary Academy BN27 4FB

ALL CHILDREN WELCOME!
FROM ANY SCHOOL

BREAKFAST CLUB £6
07:45-08:45

MAIN DAY £25
08:45-15:15

AFTER CAMP CLUB £6
15:15-16:15

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Parent & Carer



Lunch and Learn Online Workshops and In-person Family Hub Workshops with 'Me & My Mind'

Do you want to learn about children's mental health and how you can support your child with their wellbeing? If you do, these FREE webinars or our in-person small group workshops may be for you!

Lunch and Learn Webinars

How to support your child with worry and anxiety

Tuesday 22nd October 2024, 1pm to 2pm

Thursday 27th February 2025, 1pm, to 2pm

Wednesday 11th June 2025, 1pm to 2pm

How to support a worrying child with transition to secondary

Wednesday 21st May 2025, 1pm to 2pm

Small group in-person sessions

Supporting primary school children with anxiety and worry

Wednesday 2nd October 2024, 10am to 12pm @ Sidley Family Hub

Tuesday 8th October 2024, 10am to 12pm @ Uckfield Family Hub

Wednesday 5th February 2025, 12pm to 2pm @ Sidley Family Hub

Tea/Coffee and biscuits will be available, and we will be providing activities to make some items to take home with you to do with your child/ren

For more info and to book scan the QR code or visit:



www.tickettailor.com/events/mentalhealthandwellbeingineducation

If you have any questions, please email mhst.parentteam@eastsussex.gov.uk



All webinars are run using Microsoft Teams. You can access this on your phone or computer. You will be provided with the link when you book.



The power of positive parenting

Appropriate for children aged 2-10 years



This webinar is perfect for new parents/carers, or those who need a refresh!

It introduces parents to the five key principles of positive parenting that form the basis of Triple P. These principles are: -

- Ensuring a safe, engaging environment
- Creating a positive learning environment
- Using assertive discipline
- Having reasonable expectations
- Looking after yourself as a parent

Tuesday 1st October 6:30 to 8:00pm
Monday 4th November 10:00 to 11:30am
Wednesday 11th December 10:00 to 11:30am

Opportunities at St Mary the Virgin Church

We are blessed to have such a close relationship with our church and are pleased to be able to share information about the many events they provide for the local community. They offer great opportunities and are always open to new people.



LITTLE STARS

Parent & toddler group
Mondays @ St Mary's Church, Hartfield

Upcoming dates

9th September	
16th September	11th November
23rd September	18th November
30th September	25th November
7th October	2nd December
14th October	9th December
21st October	16th December
4th November	

9.15 to 10.45am Tea and Coffee Provided



Church Street Community Cafe

1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month from 2pm - 4pm.

Homemade cake, tea, and coffee.
Everyone welcome.

Table with crafts and games for children.

upcoming dates

Thursday 5th September
Thursday 19th September
Thursday 3rd October
Thursday 17th October
Thursday 7th November
Thursday 21st November
Thursday 5th December

For more information contact Joanne Griffin on
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