

Harting Primary School Newsletter



Message from the Head

We have had several events over the last couple of weeks at which children have really shone. This includes Harting's Got Talent finals on Friday, 9th June. The audience enjoyed watching a real variety of acts - this year there were more individuals who reached the final than group acts, many of them musical. This reflects the enthusiasm for music within the school.

The person who won, however, was Mariella Brinded -she presented a stand-up comedy act. It seems that the year 6 pupils really do have good comic timing as it is the second time that we have enjoyed laughing at the winner!

Our annual sports day was again a time when children showed their skills and sportsmanship. Congratulations to all the children who took part - there was such a positive atmosphere with children encouraging others.

Best wishes

Fiona Mullett

Harting's Got Talent

Congratulations to the finalists of Harting's Got Talent: Orla, Claudia, Hector, Oliver H, Eliot S, Lucy, Levi, Ethan, Eve, Carrie, Aaron, Elise, Tess and Mariella. We loved all the musical contributions: singing as well as flute, recorder and violin playing. Additionally, this year we were treated to magic, Irish dancing, a poetry recital and a stand-up comedy act. Thank you for sharing your talents and to all contestants for entering.



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Sports Day

Blue house won the sports cup this year. Although they were triumphant, it was commendable the way in which the whole school joined in the races and the circle of events. I particularly loved seeing



older children supporting their teams and the respect given, by many of the children, to those who doggedly completed a race even when they found it difficult.

Many thanks to the PTFA team who made such a lovely cream tea and provided ice lollies. It was a welcome treat and helped make the afternoon really special.



Class organisation 2017/18

This year we are going to arrange the classes in a different way as we have a couple of fairly small year groups within the school. Letters have been sent to parents whose children are particularly affected. In essence, we are going to keep most year groups together for the year and are planning to arrange the classes in this way:

Rother class - all year R

Warren class - all year 1 and 2

Downlands class - all year 3 and most of year 4

Torberry class - two year 4 and all year 5

Beacon class - all year 6

This will not be a permanent arrangement but we think that it will work particularly well for our current groups of children. If you wish to discuss this, you are welcome to talk with your child's current class teacher or myself.

Library

After five years, Steph Fairs has decided to leave in July. She came as a volunteer and has worked many hours to ensure that the library is well organised. Part of her role was to introduce Accelerated Reader - something that many children have found really motivating. We are really grateful to her for all that she has done to encourage children's reading and wish her well.

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Summer Reading Challenge

The local libraries will be running another reading challenge over the summer. Please do consider encouraging your children to participate as it is evident in the Autumn term which children have kept their reading going during the long holiday. The theme this year will be Animal Agents.

Secondhand uniform

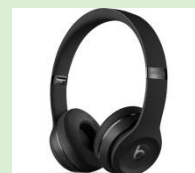
Remember that good-as-new uniform is available to buy from the front of school for a donation of 50p per item. Thanks go to Trea Langford who makes such an attractive 'Uniform shop'.

Open Mic

The final Open Mic of the academic year will start at 8pm on Friday, 14th July. It is always a fun event with adults sharing their music together.

Wanted - old headphones

We would be grateful for donations of old headphones to use as ear defenders. Some of the children find them really useful, when working in the classroom, as it enables them to concentrate better. The style that is useful to us looks like this image.



Passport forms

Increasingly we are being asked to complete passport forms which we are willing to do but as this is an added task in our busy days, we are asking that a small donation of £2.50 is made per application. The money will go to school funds.

Key dates for your diary

Please note the term times for the year in your diary so that children's learning at school is not broken by additional holidays or days out, which we cannot authorise.

Note: Inset days; PTFA events; new dates added to calendar

Summer term dates		
Week Beginning 19.6.17		
23.6.17	Inset day	
Week Beginning 26.6.17		
26.6.17	10am+	Chichester Cathedral Leavers' service
27.6.17	2.30pm	New year R Storytime
	3.15pm	Parents residential meeting
28.6.17	All day	MRC transition day
30.6.17	Pm	Forest School y1 (last)
Week Beginning 3.7.17		
3.7.17	Lunch	New yr R to lunch
6.7.17	6.30pm	School production
7.7.17	6.30pm	School production
9.7.17	All day	Goodwood Goblins
Week Beginning 10.7.17		
10.07.17	Am	Swimming - y3
11.7.17	Am	Swimming

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12.7.17	Am	Swimming
13.7.17	Am	Swimming
14.7.17	All day	Rounders Tournament y6 + TPS transition day
	Pm	Bump up afternoon (new yr R in)
	Eve	School disco
Week Beginning 17.7.17 (y6 activity week)		
17.7.17	Am	Swimming
	Am	Bikeability y6
	pm	Bike skills y1/2
18.7.17	Am	Swimming
	Am	Bikeability y6
	pm	Bike skills y1/2
	Pm	Y6 take over afternoon
19.7.17	Am	Swimming
	Am	Bikeability y6
	pm	Bike skills y1/2
	Pm	Y6 Forest School
	Eve	PTFA quiz
20.7.17	Am	Swimming
	Am	Bikeability y6
	pm	Bike skills y1/2
	Pm	Y6 Forest School and sleepover in school
21.7.17	Am	Bikeability y6
	Pm	Y6 Forest School
	pm	Bike skills y1/2
Week Beginning 27.7.17		
24.7.17	10am	Whole school walk and picnic
25.7.17	11am	Leavers' service
	Last day of school year	
26.7.17	Summer holiday starts	
4.9.17	Inset day	
5.9.17	Inset day	
6.9.17	First day of school	
	Year R - group 1	
	Coffee for new parents	
7.9.17	Year R - group 2	
	Coffee for new parents	
8.9.17	All year R in school- morning	

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