



Harting C of E Primary School Newsletter



Issue 6th – 19th November 2021
Value of the Month: Trust

Welcome to the 6th edition of the Harting CofE School newsletter. The past few weeks have been a very busy time in School, with preparations for the Christmas festivities well underway. At the end of last week I had the pleasure of taking two Hockey teams to Midhurst Rother College to play against a number of different schools across the Rother Valley. I was really impressed by both the teamwork and determination I saw in the children. It was a really fabulous afternoon.

Earlier this week the School began a new system linked to rewards and behaviour. I am really pleased to be able to inform you that we have seen this having a very positive impact on the wellbeing of children across the school. This culminated with a lovely assembly on Friday where we celebrated everyone's successes this week.

Mr Tidey, Headteacher



Year 1 Dragon Walk

Last week Warren class went on walk in the local area to hunt for clues about a Dragon in Harting! During their walk they discovered pieces of a dragon's egg which had been in a nest under the round house just days before. The children had lots of fun and have done some fantastic work linked to their experiences.

Dates for your Diary

23/11/21 – Virtual Parents' Evening
4pm – 6pm

24/11/21 – Harting Parent
Federation Meeting 5pm

25/11/21 – Virtual Parents' Evening
4pm – 6:30pm

29/11/21 – Harting Parent
Federation Meeting 3:15pm

3/12/21 – Harting C of E Christmas
Market

15/12/21 – Christmas Lunch

16/12/21 – Christingle Service at St
Mary & St Gabriel Church



Rother class writing cafe

Federation Parent Meeting

24/11/21 @ 5pm

29/11/21 @ 3:15pm

As you will be aware Harting and Stedham Schools have recently federated. Come and join us on the Roundhouse on either of these dates to meet Jeff Ace – Chair of Governors, Malcolm Meaby – Headteacher Stedham and Mr Tidey, where we will be talking about the exciting plans we have for the future and how they will improve the education for children at both schools.



Safeguarding

Road Safety - I would like to remind everyone to ensure that children are being supervised closely at the end of each day, especially when crossing roads and in the village hall car park.

Smoking – Please do remember that smoking of any kind is not permitted anywhere on the school premises. We would also like to request that people do not smoke near the school gates.

Dogs - As part of our safeguarding procedures can I please remind everyone that dogs are not permitted on the school site. This is with the exception of guide or assistance dogs.





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Value of Respect

As part of the work we are doing to recognise the excellent work children are doing in school we are having a focus on the meaning of respect. Earlier this week Mr Tidey led an assembly where the children explored the meaning of the word and how this applies to school. The picture below explains what the children discussed.

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RESPECT



R – We all have the right to an education, but also have responsibilities which allow us to have this right.

E – Everyone has the responsibility to respect each other.

S – School is for learning and should be our safe place.

P – Proud of being a member of the Harting community

E – Excellent behaviour from all members of the community.

C – We are all here to provide an excellent education for all children.

T – Teamwork. We all need to work together to make Harting the most amazing school.

The Posada Figures

Shortly the Posada figures will come into Harting School and will be in the School for a week before they begin their progression around Harting Village.

Posada is a Spanish word meaning inn or refuge or a safe place. The Posada celebrations originated in Mexico, where two young people are chosen to dress up as Mary and Joseph. They travel from house to house in their own village telling people about the imminent arrival of Jesus and asking them for a room.

The Church Army has developed the idea to help both children and adults to understand the meaning of Advent. The suggestion is that Parishes make models of the Holy Family to be used instead of real people. Our Posada Figures were made by several members of the community 20 years ago. Their journey ends on Christmas Eve when they are welcomed into the Harting Parish Church at the Crib Service

Everyone and every family is invited to take part and have the Nativity figures for one night and give them a special corner and welcome in their home.

If you would like to have the figures, please do not hesitate to give me a call, Selina Thistleton-Smith 825 374.

Violins

£60 – (RRP £99.99)

With the school moving away from whole class violin teaching, we would like to offer parents **the opportunity to purchase one** of the school's violins for their child for **£60**. These are **Forenza Prima 2 Violins**, which were purchased in July 2019 and have an RRP of £99.99. If you would be interested in purchasing one for your child, please contact the school or catch Mr Tidey on the playground

