



Harting C of E Primary School Newsletter



Issue 4 – 6th December 2022
Value of the Month: Love

It is with an immense sense of pride for every single one of our pupils that I am able to bring you this three-page bumper edition of the Harting CE Primary School newsletter! The last few weeks really have been action-packed with children and the school spreading the word about how special a place our school is across the country!

With Love and Respect being the two values we focus on in November and December, the children have been exploring these in all aspects of their school lives. We have also been taking the time to mark the beginning of Advent and why this time of the year is so important to Christians around the world. This saw the lighting of the first candle on our Advent Wreath during our collective worship earlier this week.

I hope that you enjoy celebrating so many of the children's successes. They have continued to work incredibly hard. Well done everyone.

Mr Tidev. Headteacher

We are going to be on the radio! Be sure to listen to Petersfield's Shine Radio's breakfast show this Thursday 8/12/22

Key Dates

8/12/22 – Elfridges shopping event

9/12/22 – Save the Children
Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch

14/12/22 – EYFS and KS1 Nativity
2:15-3pm

15/12/22 – Acorn class to Dear Santa Live, The Minerva Theatre

16/12/22 – Last day of Autumn Term

2/1/23 – Bank Holiday

3/1/23 – Start of the Spring Term

Harting and the Odd Socks!

To mark the beginning of Anti-Bullying Week 2022 we held Odd Socks Day! During the day all children took part in creating a whole school video to spread the word of Andy and the Odd Socks' band in 'Reaching Out' if you need help and to always be proud of who you are, celebrating each other's differences. This video has been shared on our social media platforms and has had over 16,000 views and has been liked and shared by Andy and the Odd Socks, the Department for Education, Hugh Bonneville, Tamsin Outhwaite and an ITV news presenter!

We are so proud that our children have been able to share such an important message so far and wide. We are now waiting to hear if we have been selected as a winner for the Andy and the Odd Socks competition for Andy and his band to come and perform here at Harting...

I would like to say a special thank you to Mrs Venn who organised the day and created the video!

Remembrance

On Remembrance Day 2022 the children and staff marked the day by coming together to watch an assembly delivered by the Royal British Legion and National Literacy Trust and observing a two minute silence at 11am. We were very impressed by the excellent focus shown and the level of respect demonstrated by all.



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Harting Horticultural Society and Alitex

This year has seen us continue to grow our partnerships working with both Alitex and the Harting Horticultural Society.

We have recently been lucky to receive a donation of gardening equipment from both of these organisations, which will be used as part of the schools gardening club in the spring term. We are grateful for the generosity shown to the school.

In addition the Harting Horticultural Society have also kindly donated a number of Belfast sinks and 100 bulbs which they have planted for us on the playground. This was also supported by Alitex who kindly donated the soil to fill these sinks.

We cannot wait to watch them grow and flower and bring such beautiful colour to our grounds later this academic year!

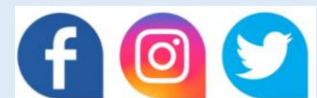


Christmas Fair 2022

On Friday 2nd December our wonderful PTFA ran our 2022 Christmas Fair. This was a wonderful event where we saw visitors from the school, village and surrounding villages. We were also very lucky to have our Year 5 and 6 brass band performing as well as Christmas carols lead by the choir of St Mary and St Gabriel Church. Thank you to everyone who made this event possible. We cannot wait to see you all again next year! We will be announcing the sum of money raised for the school at the end of next week.



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Emotional Wellbeing – The Deer's Hut

Supporting children's personal, social and emotional development and wellbeing is something that we take incredibly seriously at Harting. Over the past year, our Emotional Literacy Support Assistant has been developing the most wonderful nurturing space for children to be able to explore how they are feeling, and to connect with others. Welcome to our ELSA room – the Deer's Hut.



Chestnut Visit the Weald and Downland Museum

As part of their learning about The Great Fire of London in History, Chestnut class enjoyed a whole day experience at the Weald and Downland Museum. As part of the day the children got to knead dough and bring home freshly baked bread rolls as well as studying the different buildings to identify the similarities and differences between them. They also learnt about how flammable straw was and how this would have contributed to the spread of the Great Fire.

Brass Bands

'It makes me feel free and like I can put all my happiness into playing.'

Following the great success of the launch of our Brass Bands in February, we are very excited to have been mentioned and quoted in the Music Teacher Magazine in a fabulous article about Brass Bands in schools. We are so proud of all **40 of our brass players** at school.



Rowan Visit the Mary Rose

As part of their learning about the Tudors in History, Rowan Class were lucky enough to visit the Mary Rose for the day. This saw them making plans in recreating the strategy used in the Battle of the Solent as well as getting hands on experience of preparing a cannon to fire! They also enjoyed a trip around the Mary Rose museum. A great day was had by all with many of the children saying 'That was the best trip ever!'



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