

# Hardwick Primary School

# Weekly Newsletter

18th December 2025



*This week at Hardwick...*

*A Wonderful End to the Term!*

We have had a truly wonderful final week of term, filled with festive fun and memorable experiences for the children.

On Monday, we enjoyed Christmas Jumper Day alongside a delicious Christmas lunch. A huge thank you to FOHPS for kindly providing the Yorkshire puddings and pigs in blankets, which helped make the day extra special and festive for everyone.

On Wednesday, the whole school enjoyed a fantastic trip to Bury Theatre, where we watched the pantomime Rapunzel. It was a privilege to take the children to the Theatre Royal and give them the opportunity to enjoy this experience. There was lots of audience participation, and it was wonderful to hear the children joining in so enthusiastically with the songs. We were incredibly proud of how brilliantly the children represented our school. A special thank you to B&A and FOHPS, who generously contributed to the cost of this trip.

Today, although we were unable to hold our Elf Run, we were delighted to welcome a very special visit from Santa and his elves. Every child received a gift from Santa, bringing lots of smiles and festive cheer to round off the term perfectly.

# THANK YOU

As we come to the end of the term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our school community for their ongoing support throughout the term.

Thank you to our families for your continued support and for working so positively with us to ensure your child has the best possible learning experience at Hardwick. Your partnership is greatly valued and very much appreciated.

I would also like to thank B&A for their generous support in contributing towards new OPAL equipment and for supporting events such as the pantomime.

Thank you to FOHPS and our wonderful volunteers who give up their time to fundraise for our school. Your efforts help us to purchase resources and equipment that our budget would not otherwise allow, and this support plays a significant role in enabling us to provide such enriching experiences for our children.

Finally, I would like to thank all the staff at Hardwick Primary for their passion, commitment, and dedication in providing high-quality learning experiences and care for our children.



# Southgate Food Bank

Southgate Community Centre will be opening their doors on **Saturday 20th December, from 11:00am–1:00pm**, offering their Christmas food bank along with other essential items.

There will be no questions asked, and everyone is welcome to come along and pick up what they need.

We are grateful to have such a caring and supportive community that looks out for one another, especially at this time of year.

Southgate's Multi - Community Food Bank  
and Winter Hardship Initiative.

## FOOD BANK

**Saturday  
20th December  
NEED IT, WANT IT,  
TAKE IT  
HELP YOURSELF  
NO questions  
asked.  
11am - 1pm**

Baby formula - Nappies  
Long life milk - Long life Juice  
- Squash  
Tinned beans - soup -  
Vegetables - Meat - Fish - Pies -  
Cooking sauces  
Rice pudding - fruit - Custard  
Pasta - Rice  
Tea - Coffee - Sugar  
Christmas confectionary  
Toiletries.  
Even unwanted good quality  
toys & gifts.

# Trainers or Wellies in School



From January, all children must keep a **pair of trainers or wellies** in school. Children will change their shoes at break and lunchtime to help keep the school clean and free from mud.

- Trainers are required for using the apparatus for health and safety reasons. Children cannot use the apparatus in school shoes or wellies.
- Children cannot go onto the field without trainers or wellies.

Children do not need to bring both; however, if they wish to use the apparatus, they must have trainers in school.

Thank you for your support.



## Online Safety

It is often difficult to know where to start or how to find the information you need. Please see below for further details and links to key websites which you may find useful. Both the Internet Matters website and the NSPCC website are excellent resources for families, offering guidance on specific games and apps, as well as clear information on age restrictions, safety features, and how to set up parental controls.

[Internet Matters - search for individual guides.](#)

[NSPCC - guides, tips and guides on social media apps, online games and chat apps](#)



# Key Dates

## **Autumn Term:**

### **December:**

19<sup>th</sup> Dec & 5<sup>th</sup> Jan - PD Days for staff

**Christmas Holiday - Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January**

## **Spring Term:**

### **January:**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January - First Day Back**

### **February:**

6<sup>th</sup> Feb - Number Day - Dress up as something number / maths related

10<sup>th</sup> Feb - Safer Internet Day

**Half Term - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb**

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## **March:**

5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day (No dressing up, wooden spoons sent home to decorate)

9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> March - Y6 SATS Mocks

12<sup>th</sup> March - STEM Share Day

(Grown ups invited: KS2 - morning & EYFS & KS1 -afternoon)

17<sup>th</sup> March - Y6 SATS Parent Information Sessions @ 3.30pm

20<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day (Children to wear something red / red accessories including the red nose day merchandise)

25<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening

26<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening

Bikeability Dates - TBC

**Easter Holiday - Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April**

## **April:**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - First Day Back**

## **May:**

11<sup>th</sup> May - Y6 SATS Week

20<sup>th</sup> May - Y3 & Y4 - Afternoon Performance @ 2pm

21<sup>st</sup> May - Y3 & Y4 - Evening Performance @ 5pm

**Half Term - Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May**

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## June:

1<sup>st</sup> June - Y4 Multiplication Check begins

8<sup>th</sup> June - Y1 Phonics Screening Begins

18<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day (timings TBC)

29<sup>th</sup> June - 2<sup>nd</sup> July - Arts Week

## July:

1<sup>st</sup> July - Transition Morning (Move up to next class)

3<sup>rd</sup> July - Art Gallery Open to grown ups @ 3.30 - 4.30pm

8<sup>th</sup> July - Y5 & Y6 Afternoon Performance @ 2pm

9<sup>th</sup> July - Y5 & Y6 Evening Performance @ 5pm

16<sup>th</sup> July - Y6 Leavers Assembly

17<sup>th</sup> July - Last Day

20<sup>th</sup> July - PD Day

**Please note that more dates may be added as events are planned throughout the year.**

**If any dates change or are added we will aim to give as much notice as possible.**