

25th JUNE 2021

Parent/ Carer Newsletter

Changes to the School Day for Year 7

We are looking forward to the return of year 7 on Monday 28th June following their period of isolation. However due to the local circumstances in Nuneaton and surrounding areas we have been advised that pupils should not, for the next couple of weeks be in large groups which includes assembly spaces. Therefore, for the next 2 weeks year 7 will be finishing school at the earlier time of 3pm. Please make your child aware of this. We will update you should this arrangement change. Thank you for your patience whilst we adapt practice and process to ensure your child has the best possible and safest experience in school.

6th July Concertina Day

As well as being a none-uniform charity day this is also a Concertina Day, where pupils will finish early from school to allow teachers an extended period of time to undertake vital staff training. Pupils on this day will finish as follows: Year 7 - 12.50pm
Year 8 and Year 9 - 1pm
Year 10 - 1.05pm

Stepping Up to Year 11

Year 10 have done very well in managing their recent mock examinations in the journey towards their GCSEs. It is imperative that they do not lose momentum and build steadily their knowledge and confidence towards the end goal, securing their next steps and ambitions. Therefore, we will be setting Year 10 some revision work based on the gaps shown from the mocks for over the 6 week break. To give this learning a focus, all pupils in year 11 will have exams set in the **second week of the new term** in English, Maths and Science with assessments in their other subjects.

The revision work will be shared with the pupils over the last week of term and in particular in the **Stepping Up to Year 11 assembly on the morning of 19th July**. In this assembly we will share what to revise, how to revise and what to produce to prove it. Please make sure your child attends as this is the first step in their Year 11 Plan to Perform Programme.

Last day of school this term

The last day pupils are expected in school this year is Monday 19th July. This day will be dedicated to celebration, sense of family and togetherness. On that morning your child will find out who their new tutor is, who is in their tutor group and their new tutor room. Please make sure your child is present so they can spend the day with their tutor, new tutor group peers, in their tutor base so they build relationships through completing activities together throughout the morning.

In addition, there will be reward assemblies for all year groups and a Stepping Up to Year 11 assembly for the current year 10.

The day will start at approx. 9am and finish at approx. 12.30pm, full details based on further Government updates will be released in the week beginning 12th July

Rocket around Leicester

Hartshill School as part of the Midland Academies Trust with our sponsor NWSLC has taken part in the **Rocket round Leicester** project- to support the Leicestershire based charity- LOROS Hospice.

HHS have designed a Junior Jet and painted it and it will shortly go on a display as part of a Rocket Trail around Leicester city centre from July 19th - September 26th.

Our junior jet is called: **We are all connected**

It represents our communities. We have looked at the key elements that have shaped the world recently and how the power of science and community has helped us all through it. We were also inspired by the links of DNA and forensic finger printing to Leicester and wanted to celebrate this.

Our local and wider community help to shape and nurture us, they give us support in times of need and celebrate our successes. A strong and truly diverse community allows us to be our true self.

Our rocket celebrates this,

The DNA helix shows that our basic elements are all the same. The covid inspired finger prints show that we are using science and working together to beat the pandemic. They also represent how the cycle of life continues as the butterfly emerges from the fingerprint cocoon so will we from the pandemic. The butterfly's rainbow colours both pay tribute to our health care professionals, including those working tirelessly at Loros and our wonderfully diverse community.

Hartshill have pledged to raise £1000 for the LOROS Hospice. Our first event to support this is a none uniform day on 6th July 2021. Please send your child to school with £1 or any contribution you can to donate to this fantastic endeavour.

NEW WEBSITE - We have launched our new website this week. Please visit www.hartshill.midlandat.co.uk .

NEW EMAIL - Our email address for reception has now changed. Please use infoHHS@midlandat.co.uk

NEW HOUSE LAUNCH - We will have lots of events running in the countdown to the new house launch! Keep a look out for further information.

SUMMER ACADEMY – We are opening up our school for a Summer Academy for Year 6 students. If your child is moving up to Hartshill this Summer, make sure you sign them up for this great experience!. Contact the school for more information.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter for more information on both these events and general school news! Don't forget we always share our stars of the week on facebook every Friday!