

Hartest Primary School

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News from Hartest School - Autumn 2019

It has been a busy start to the year at Hartest, full of enriching learning opportunities for our children! Here are some of the highlights from this term:

Harvest Bake Off

In October, children had a great time baking cakes for our annual 'Hartest Harvest Bake Off'. There were winners in each category; a celebration cake, a Harvest loaf, and four cupcakes! We also presented winners' prizes for the Hartest Gardening Club art competition.





Sports Competitions

Children have really enjoyed representing the school in various sports competitions this term. They all demonstrated great teamwork and held their own, often competing against much bigger schools. A special mention to Hayden and Barnaby, who qualified in the Suffolk Schools Athletic Association cross country, and ran really well!

Shakespeare Takeover

We are fortunate to have a strong link to The Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds. As well as running our weekly drama club, and facilitating drama workshops, our Year 5 & 6 pupils have been privileged to take part in a schools' performance of Macbeth. It was inspirational to see them perform on stage at The Theatre Royal.



Remembrance

Each year, Hartest children lead the Act of Remembrance on Armistice Day. It was particularly moving to hear our pupils read the Roll of Honour and a great privilege to serve our community in this way.



Residential Trip

Children in Key Stage 2 had a fantastic time away at Bawdsey Manor for their annual residential trip. As well as taking part in a variety of outdoor and adventurous activities, they learned teambuilding and leadership skills, and gained much confidence!

Children's Book Centre & Bedtime Story

This term, there have been a range of events and special activities at Hartest to celebrate and inspire a love of reading. Children had a great time dressing up for Roald Dahl Day, and Norfolk Children's Book Centre visited the school to lead workshops for all the children, and run a book fair. The highlight was a bedtime story session for our Reception and Year 1 children, who came back to school in their pyjamas, to listen to stories with their parents, complete with hot chocolate!



Woodwind Concert



Music is a big part of Hartest School, and children in Years 4, 5 & 6 stunned their audience with some excellent performances. Children in Year 4 performed what they had been learning on the clarinet this term with Mr Rowe, woodwind tutor, and our oldest children performed on oboe, tenoroon and bassoon. For primary children to be learning a double-reed woodwind instrument is particularly impressive, as these are very difficult instruments to play. A big well done to them all!

Nativity

As we end the school term, Early Years and Key Stage 1 children have had a brilliant time, learning, rehearsing and performing 'A Higgledy Piggledy Nativity' to parents, relatives, governors and members of the community. It was a lovely way to end the year, celebrating the Nativity story and message of Christmas!

