

FROM THE HART



HART MEMORIAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

QUICK REMINDERS

- **School dinners** cost £2.60/day, £13.00/week, payable Monday
- All money sent to school must be in clearly **labelled envelopes**, available from office at £1 for 30
- Children should be **in school at 8.45am every morning**. Classes start at 8.55am. Children in after this will be marked 'late' and miss valuable social and preparation time
- If you wish your child to wear **earrings** in school, please ensure they are studs for your own child's safety
- Pupils are not permitted to bring **mobile phones or any other electronic device** to school and parents are asked NOT to use their phone in the school building or grounds

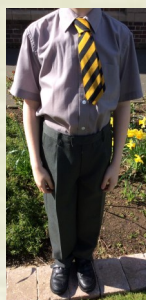
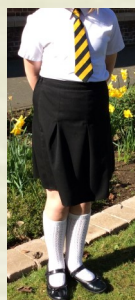
DATES FOR THE DIARY SEPTEMBER 2018

After school activities start	17
P1 pupils stay for full day (2pm finish)	17
P1 class photo for Ulster Gazette	19
School photos: P1-7 & families	25, 26
P6M to People's Park for National Fitness Day	26
Staff Development Day 1 (no school for pupils)	28
OCTOBER 2018	
'A Taste of Dahl' experience, P4-7	1
Choir (P6 & 7) performance at	3
Staff Development Day 2 (no school for pupils)	8
Book Fair for 'Big Bedtime Read' (Nursery) 11.45am	9
Book Fair in Library (after school)	9-12
P5DK trip to Ulster Museum	16
Parent teacher meetings P1-7	22-25
Children home at 1pm	22-26
Half term holiday	29 Oct- 2 Nov

WELCOME BACK FOR 2018/19

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Many thanks to all parents for turning your children out so smartly for the start of term. At the moment, pupils may still wear their summer uniforms. Summer officially ends on 27 September. **All pupils, P2-7, are to wear shirts and ties from Monday 1 October.**



NAMES IN CLOTHING

Please ensure *every* item of clothing your child wears, or brings to school, is clearly named. This includes woolly hats and gloves when the weather gets colder. Good quality name tags can be purchased online at www.mynametags.com

WATER BOTTLES

Scientific research proves the benefits of remaining well hydrated throughout the day by drinking plenty of water. All children are encouraged to **keep water bottles on their desks everyday**. These must have safety tops—the ones you push up and down—and contain water not juice. Please encourage your child to avail of this.



HEALTHY BREAKS

The canteen continues to offer a variety of breake-time snacks at a cost of 30p per item, maximum two items. P3-7 pupils bring their snack money daily and are responsible for looking after it themselves. P1 & 2 pupils

(£2.50/week) should bring snack money in on a Monday in clearly labelled envelopes.

MONEY

Children should not have more money in school than they require for that day.

MEDICATION

If you wish medication to be administered during the school day, you **MUST** bring the medication to the school secretary, who will give you a form to complete. A copy of the completed form will be sent home with your child. Remember: **if your child has a diagnosis of asthma, you MUST provide a blue 'reliever' inhaler** to be kept in school. Many thanks to all the parents who have done this already.

CONTACT DETAILS

Remember to inform the secretaries straight away if any of your contact details change e.g. **mobile telephone numbers, address, named collectors**.

MANY THANKS!!

Thursday 30 August saw the second year of our **Parent & Pupil Induction meetings**, where you and your child got to meet the new teacher, hear what the teacher had to say about the year ahead and share with the teacher any additional information about your child. The feedback received from parents and from teachers continues to be really positive; please let us know if there is anything additional you feel we should include to make these sessions even more useful. Thank you so much for making time to attend, including many of you who had to take time off work and those who had to come up three times!! **(88% attendance)**

Save the date: Pupil & Parent Induction Day 2019

Thursday 29 August 2019

First day of term

BY THE WAY...

Open Night will be on **Wednesday 12 December**, which will also incorporate a Winter Fair, kindly organised by our parent Governors & volunteers; more details closer to the time.

This year's **Christmas performance** will be a **Senior Carol Service (P4-7)** in **St Columba's Church** on **Tuesday 18 December** at 3.15pm. All families and friends welcome.





ROAD SAFETY

- ◆ If parking, please follow the rules of the road and **park legally**. This may necessitate your parking further up Charles Street.
- ◆ **When driving, SLOW DOWN.** You never know when or where a child may appear



WE'RE ON THE WEB!

www.hartmemorial.org.uk



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HOLIDAY LIST – 2018/19

Term1:

School starts at 9am/11am/1pm on Thursday 30 August – PUPIL & PARENT INFORMATION DAY—first day of term

SDD1: Friday 28 September 2018

SDD2: Monday 8 October 2018

Mid-term break – Monday 29 October to Friday 2 November (inclusive)

Christmas holidays begin at 12 noon on Friday 21 December

Term 2:

SDD3: Monday 7 January 2019

School starts at 8.45am on Tuesday 8 January

Mid-term break – Monday 18 & Tuesday 19 February

St Patrick's Day break – Friday 15 & Monday 18 March

Easter holidays begin at 12 noon on Tuesday 16 April

SDD3: Wednesday 17 April 2019

Term 3:

School starts at 8.45am on Monday 29 April

1st May Bank Holiday – Monday 6 May

SDD5: Tuesday 7 May 2019

2nd May Bank Holiday – Monday 27 May

Summer holidays begin at 12 noon on Friday 28 June

There will be **5 School Development Days (SDD)** during the year. Children **DO NOT** attend school on these days.

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Thursday 29 August 2019

First day of term 2019/20!

WELCOME BACK

A huge 'welcome back' to **Mrs Major** after the birth of her second child.



WELCOME

A big welcome to the Hart and from the Hart to **Miss Cloughley** and **Miss Todd** who are teaching in P1TC and P3TT respectively during 18/19.



If you have a worry, concern, question, complaint....

DO...

- ◆ Write a note to the teacher
- ◆ Ring for clarification
- ◆ Ring to make an appointment
- ◆ Get it sorted!

DON'T...

- ◆ Do nothing!
- ◆ Use inappropriate language
- ◆ Make posts on facebook inviting negative comments

We're all on the same team, trying to do the very best for each and everyone of our pupils—your children. Respectful, positive dialogue will sort problems and ensure a strong home-school partnership to the benefit of all.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

The class rankings so far this year are:

1st: P5P (97.9%)

=2nd: P5DK (97.6%)

=2nd: P2FH (97.6%)

Please have your child in school **every** day.....

Miss School, Miss Out!



PUNCTUALITY MATTERS!

The class rankings so far this year are:

=1st: P7MM; P6H; P3TT; P1TC

(0 latecomers)

Please have your child in school **ON TIME** every day.....

Miss School, Miss Out!