

FROM THE HART

MARCH / APRIL 2022



HART MEMORIAL PRIMARY SCHOOL

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

P4S GO CONKERS!

Back in the Autumn, P4S planted conkers and acorns. We have been visiting our pots occasionally and were delighted to see that the seedlings have appeared. The children recognise the importance of trees as oxygen providers for our planet and are looking forward to taking home their baby trees at the end of June.



P5DK ARE IN THE GROOVE!

P5DK pupils enjoyed a visit from Niall from the AmmA Centre, who taught them how to use the app, GarageBand. The children got to experiment with different types of music and layer it with other instruments and their own voice. It was a very enjoyable workshop.



P5P FEEL THE HEAT

P5P were grateful to have their annual visit on Fire Safety from the Fire Brigade. The Firemen spoke to the children about how to prevent fires in the home and also what to do in the worst case scenario of an actual fire. All of the children listened intently and asked some very interesting and important questions. The Firemen gave each child a fun work pack and told them that their weekly job is to check that the smoke alarm is working in their house.



ROTARY CLUB WRITING COMPETITION

A huge congratulations to all our prize winners (see photos below) in this year's Rotary Club writing competition. The judges were impressed with the entries and we were delighted that local Rotary Club members, Mrs Kate Adams and Mr Arnold Hatch were able to come to school to present the prizes. A special mention to Rosie in P4 who was the overall winner in her age category. This meant that her entry was submitted to the District (all-Ireland) finals where she was placed third!! A great achievement.



P7s OUT IN ALL WEATHERS

Pupils in P7 enjoyed finding out more about the new Hart Weather Station. Many thanks to Armagh Observatory for lending us a weather station to monitor the local weather. Pupils will be recording live data and making predictions for what may come ahead - budding young meteorologists, perhaps!



SOCCER AMBASSADORS FOR THE HART

The two teams who travelled to Drumgor for the Spring Soccer Tournament performed superbly, in soccer skills, determination, behaviour, effort, attitude and sportsmanship. The P7 team won two and drew two, and topped their group. This took the boys through to the quarter finals. The P6 team (inc some P7s) drew two and lost two, which meant they didn't progress although their skill level and potential were commented on by several other coaches.

The P7 team was drawn against Seagoe for the knock out stages. Normal time couldn't separate the two teams who both had chances but couldn't capitalize on them. There was still no score after Golden Goal extra time so it went to the dreaded sudden death penalty shoot out! The boys were gutted when they missed their first penalty and Seagoe put theirs in the back of the net. However, the boys acquitted themselves with tremendous credit and are looking forward to their next opportunity to shine.



SCHOOL CLOSURES Term 3

Just a reminder that there will be **no** school on:

Monday 2 May (Bank Holiday)

Thursday 5 May (Elections)

Friday 6 May (School Development Day 5)

Thursday 2 June (Bank Holiday)

Friday 3 June (Bank Holiday)

*School finishes for the summer holidays at 12pm on **Thursday 30 June.***

HOLIDAY LIST 2022/23

on the website!



Save the date:

Friday 26 August 2022

'Pupil & Parent Induction Day' - pupils & parents are invited to meet their new teacher in small groups. Each session will last approximately an hour. Parents stay with their child in the classroom whilst the teacher explains what to expect in the year ahead. There is time at the end for parents to speak one-to-one with the teacher.

This is the first day of term.

NURSERY GO NATIVE!



Nursery children lit a campfire and toasted marshmallows to make yummy smores.

P1GE STAY ACTIVE



We are keeping healthy and active with coach Steve.

P1TE SPRING INTO ACTION



In P1TA the children have been learning about Spring this term. The have enjoyed planting beans, taking care of them and watching them grow. The children looked and listened for signs of Spring during a class walk, met newly hatched chicks

and learned about the life cycle of a frog. During art they painted beautiful Spring daffodils and drew a potted Spring plant.



CHIRPY VISITORS TO P3H

P3H enjoyed a special visit from the chicks that were hatched in the Nursery. Our WAU topic was "Birds" and what a perfect way to discover how they move, what they feel like and how they smell by experiencing this in real life!!!!



CAR DRIVERS

This is another appeal to all car drivers to ensure they

abide by the rules of the road.

DO NOT:

- ✦ Park on **double yellow lines** or **yellow zigzags**
- ✦ Mount the **footpath** – on Charles Street or in Deer Park
- ✦ Stop or park where there are **traffic cones**
- ✦ Park **across, turn into or reverse out** of the main school entrance gateway



These are **motoring offences.**

They **endanger the lives** of our pupils.

If you observe drivers breaking the rules of the road:

- take the vehicle's **registration number**

report it to the PSNI by ringing 101 (the PSNI has been informed of the regular disregard for road safety by a minority of drivers outside our school)

We thank you in anticipation of your support in this matter.

KEEP ALL HART MEMORIAL PUPILS SAFE

It should not take

- **A car crash**
- **A child being injured**
- **A child being killed**

to make the small number of offending drivers **WAKE UP** to their **irresponsible behaviour.**



'WHAT LOVELY RED RIDING HOODS YOU HAVE!'

These are our lovely Red Riding Hood characters. We were able to make her speak by using the Chatterpix app!



P3T PUPILS ARE EGGS-CELLENT!

We have been enjoying our World Around Us topic of Birds. Mr Poots came to our class to talk about birds. Everyone listened so well and asked lots of interesting questions. Paul brought the baby chicks over from nursery and we got to pet them. Mrs Stockdale came down to look at our Easter egg designs. She was amazed by everyone's designs. The winners were Violet and Ellie. Everyone also got a treat for taking part!



Calling all parents...

Please encourage your children to use the school paths and not trample the flower beds or climb trees. Our gardens are lovely and they are being damaged by a few children.



P1 HEALTH CHECKS

The School Nurse will be carrying out general health checks on all P1 pupils week beginning **13 June**.

P1 parents, please complete and return the letter you receive from the School Nurse as soon as possible.



'HOW DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW?'

P2LM planted sunflowers, potatoes and cress as part of their Growth topic.

