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BACK TO SCHOOL



Welcome back! The new academic year is in full swing and has already been jam-packed with activity as our staff and pupils settle back into school life.

We were delighted to welcome our new Year 7 cohort to Hartshill Academy. Many of our newest pupils served as pupil ambassadors during our Open Evening, acting as tour guides to prospective pupils, and

participating in lessons and other interactive activities. It has been pleasing to see our Year 7 pupils transition so smoothly into secondary school. Across the school community, our pupils have managed their return after the summer break well. Both parents and carers of Year 7 and Year 11 pupils attended information evenings recently to find out information about how their children are being prepared for this key year.

Earlier this term we were proud to receive the School Games Mark Silver Award. Our young people benefit from developing positive relationships with movement and physical activity. We are committed to ensuring our young people have the best opportunities to engage in healthy competition.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

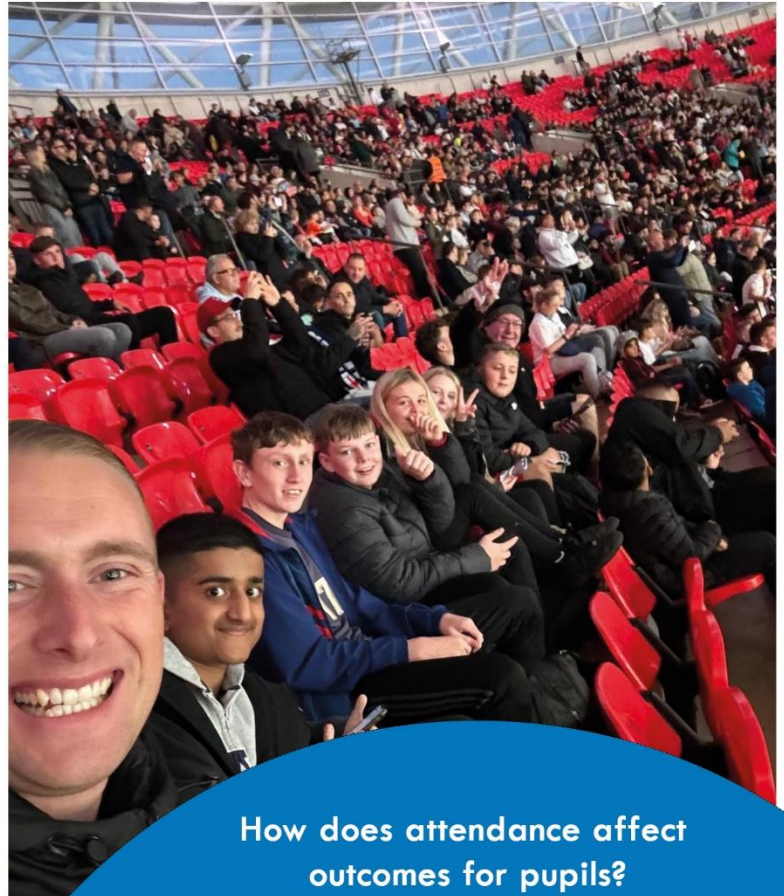
- THU 03 OCT | PARENT VOICE
- THU 10 OCT | YEAR 11 PROGRESS EVENING
- TUES 15 OCT | YEAR 11 PERFORMING ARTS / DANCE EVENING
- MON 21 OCT | CAREERS: PARENTS INFORMATION EVENING
- MON 28 OCT - FRI 01 NOV | HALF TERM

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



On Tuesday 10 September, a group of lucky pupils were treated to a visit to Wembley to watch England play Finland. These pupils were randomly selected from a group of pupils with 100% attendance since the start of the academic year.

In a night they will never forget, this special event was a reward for beginning the year with excellent school attendance. This is just one of the many special events throughout the year to celebrate great attendance.



How does attendance affect outcomes for pupils?

Being in school is important to your child's achievement, wellbeing, and wider development. Evidence shows that the students with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best GCSE and A Level results. National research found that pupils who performed better both at the end of primary and secondary school missed fewer days than those who didn't perform as well.

Every moment in school counts, and days missed add up quickly. For example, a child in Year 10 who is absent for three days over a half term could miss **15 lessons in total**. The higher a pupil's attendance, the more they are likely to learn, and the better they are likely to perform in exams and formal assessments.

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

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BEST ATTENDANCE
From Mon 16th Sept | Term 1

Calendar
Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat
1 2 3 4 5
6 7 8 9 10 11 12
13 14 15 16 17 18 19
20 21 22 23 24 25 26
27 28 29 30 31

WHICH HOUSE HAS THE BEST ATTENDANCE?
Any pupil who has 100% attendance this week will get a chance to win one of **25 golden tickets** to a prize experience on Friday 27th September. Winning pupils can choose a friend to accompany them. Another 25 more pupils with 100% attendance will be selected next week, with an amazing prize experience next Friday afternoon! #hartgames

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BRING ON THE COLOUR!



HARTSHILL COLOUR RUN

On Friday 20 September, Hartshill Academy held the much-anticipated Colour Run to fundraise for our various House Charities.

Staff and pupils were challenged to run, walk or skip around the course, completing as many laps as possible. Participants were showered in an array of different colour paint, making for a colourful afternoon.

It was lovely to see our Principal, Miss Taylor, join the fun too!



HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC

The House Championship has officially launched with a fantastic start! Staff and pupils came together for the inaugural theatre competition, which was a fun and engaging music quiz.

It was a great success, with teams showcasing their knowledge of songs, artists, and bands. The energy and enthusiasm was contagious, setting the tone for an exciting series of House Competitions. Pupils were treated to live music from the Hartshill band, who played iconic tunes for competitors to guess.

Look out for more competitions, with **Benchball** and **Mathletes** some of our upcoming competitions later this term.



We are moving.



Hartshill Academy is now using the **Arbor Parent App**.

Arbor will replace Weduc and Class Charts. From September 2024, **all parent communication will move to Arbor**. Class Charts will no longer be used as all the information will now be shared in Arbor.

Weduc will continue to be used for payments until October half term.

The Arbor Parent App can be downloaded from either the Playstore on Android phones or the Apple Store on iPhones.

