



**Hartshill
Academy**



Hartshill Academy

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Open Evening

Thursday 21st March 2024

5:00pm- 7:00pm

We welcome you to tour our wonderful new building
and learn more about Hartshill Academy



Heart, Ambition,



Respect, Tenacity

ACADEMY NEWS

March

2024

Pastoral update

Pupils have been engaged in our refresh assemblies since returning from the half term break. We reminded pupils of the key expectations around punctuality to lessons and our behaviour policy. We also highlighted rewards and how pupils can achieve rewards and positive points through class charts. With over, 1100 orders being processed currently, pupils have used the reward store to their advantage and purchased the items they have been saving for.

Star of the lesson is being given in every lesson by staff. We encourage pupils to strive to achieve this award as it is 5 points added to their account. If you or your child are struggling to access their Class Charts account please let us know. We want all parents/carers to have access to the live feed on behaviour so you can see the progress your child is making.

We have now trained and set up a Flourish programme, where pupils will also be carefully selected to go through the course to build self-esteem, confidence and develop self-awareness. This is an exciting opportunity which will hopefully benefit those who are struggling to apply themselves fully in their education.

Uniform is looking fantastic at the moment. Please ensure your child is leaving the house in the correct uniform and refer to the academy website if there any concerns or issues with this.

Safeguarding update

Helping Your Child Stay Safe Online

The digital world is constantly changing. Many children now own or have access to a smartphone, tablet, laptop/PC and games consoles, each linking to the internet. Schools work with children raising awareness and understanding of how to use the internet safely.

As parents and carers, it is also important to know how to encourage children to stay safe online or where to go if and when further advice is needed.

There are organisations that provide parents and carers with lots of information, guidance and helpful tools, raising awareness of how to keep your child safe. Recommended websites are noted below.

You can also find additional resources and information within the 'I am a child/young person' section of the WCC Safeguarding Website.

<https://www.safeguardingwarwickshire.co.uk/safeguarding-children/i-am-a-parent-carer/helping-your-child-stay-safe-online>

House Update

Last half term brought us Test the Teacher, where Year 11 pupils came together to make a cool quiz in which teachers are truly tested. Sadly, the weather leading up to the last half-term break blocked our plans and our teachers left for break untested.

However, not for long. This term, Spring 2, we are determined to test our teacher and see who will pass!

Alongside Test the Teacher, our House team is also hosting an Easter Event on the later part of this term.

For our sports enthusiasts, we bring House rowing. May the best house row, row, row the boat into victory!



Drayton
Deers



Evans
Eagles



Barber
Bears



Newton
Nighthawks

138 064

139 938

139 440

144 624

Duke Of Edinburgh's Award

Year 9 pupils are busy practicing their map reading skills and team work in preparation for their Duke of Edinburgh Award Expeditions in the Summer Term. Recently they have been to Bosworth Battle field for a practice walk. There are more planned in the coming weeks too.

Careers

This half term, Years 7, 8 and 9 are kickstarting their work developing their knowledge on the next Skills Builder essential skill.

Skills builder is a programme where pupils are encouraged to work on the development of their essential skills, including speaking, listening, aiming high, teamwork and leadership. After mastering the skill of Staying Positive last term, we are now moving on to develop our knowledge on the skill of Problem Solving.

This includes being able to explore problems by creating and assessing different potential solutions in and out of school.



Humanities Faculty

Geography continues to be busy, with Eco club working hard on the new garden area and working on the academies recycling opportunities.

The History team are on a journey of discovery alongside Year 7 as they discover the exciting legacy of Mansa Musa ; a new addition to our curriculum.

In RE , Year 7 have been learning about Judaism and the roots of the world-view.

Year 8 have been exploring philosophical questions such as 'can we find out if God exists?' and 'if there is designer – who designed them?'

Year 9 continue to explore ethical issues, such as; the use of capital punishment and animal testing.

Creative and Vocational Faculty

Spotlight: Art

Our Year 9 pupils have had lots of fun making 3D cake slice sculptures out of Modroc in their art lessons this term, as part of their "Identity & Icons" unit, exploring and researching different pop artists.

Well done Year 9!

