

FAMILY NEWS

On **Thursday 1 October**, we will be holding our annual **Charity Fun Run** straight after school on the athletics track with a finish time of 4:00pm. Students and staff can attend to complete the obstacle course as many times as they want and at whatever pace they want! The aim is to raise awareness of Meningitis and support Mr Eaton's fundraising efforts as he prepares to run the 2027 London Marathon **in aid of the Meningitis Research Foundation (MRF)**.

We encourage students to try and raise sponsorship to take part in this event, with a minimum target of £5 per student and **all funds raised going to MRF**. Sponsorship money can be paid on Scopay or given to Form Tutors. There will be Family points available for participation, wearing fancy dress and taking part in challenges during the Fun Run, such as Beat the Teacher. Students and staff should come along and support this worthwhile charity and also increase their Family points total!



HARTFEST & DUKE OF EDINBURGH

We are delighted to announce that these fantastic opportunities are now LIVE via Scopay!

Year 7 HARTFest - Our exciting new HARTFest experience is happening next Friday, giving Year 7 students the opportunity to build Belonging, Friendship, Teamwork, Resilience and Leadership through a range of fun activities and experiences.

Year 9 & 10 Bronze & Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award - The DofE journey, developing independence, confidence, resilience and new skills while taking part in volunteering, physical, skills and expedition activities begins soon.

CHESHIRE HIKE 2026 – CELEBRATING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE!

We are incredibly proud of all our students taking part in Cheshire Hike 2026 this weekend - good luck to you all! We would love to celebrate their success. If your child is participating in the hike, please take a few moments to complete this form - [Cheshire Hike 2026](#) - sharing details of their participation, achievements, photographs and memorable moments, so that we are able to celebrate them in school. Thank you for helping us recognise and celebrate the fantastic achievements of our students!



HART VALUES

Our Heads of Year have highlighted this week's students who have proudly displayed our HART values. Well done to:

Mr Hardwick's Year 7s: Georgie Collier, Courtney Halliwell, Harrison Roberts, Max Weedal and Lukas Davies!

Miss Hallmark's Year 8s: Charlotte Hills, Selin Erucan, Jacob McCartney-Gibson, Penelope Bull, George Hankinson, Michael Goode and Sam Barrett!

Mr Farrall's Year 9s: Sebastian Halford-Maw, Megan Cross, Snow Sutcliffe, Jack Murphy-Lee, Dexter Eddie, Giorgia Botticchio and Daisy Rowlands!

Mr Merryweather's Year 10s: Evan Llabres, Annabelle Hibbert, Sebastian Ashcroft, Sofia Toma, Sam Langford, James Barfield and Brody Billinge! Well done everyone!



Miss Gregory, Head of Year 11, writes: I cannot emphasise enough how important being in school is, not least during this vital time for our Year 11 students. This week, I have chosen students who have had 100% attendance and are making the most of their learning time in school. Well done to Maisie Bannaghan, Jessica Bartle, Freddie Bowman, Harrison Buckley, Archie Burgess, Emily Crowder and Finley Donaghy-Kilbride! I look forward to seeing all students in school next week, making progress with their learning!

THRIVE

Mrs Cheetham, Pastoral Manager, writes: The students in THRIVE have made an excellent start to the new term, demonstrating some fantastic examples of our HART values in action. In particular, Nicole Porter, Ryley Daniels, Alfie Ogden and Jake Templeman have shown outstanding commitment and enthusiasm!

Our Year 11 students recently took part in a Hospitality and Catering lesson, where they were challenged to create pancakes using just four basic ingredients, cooked on camping stoves. Not only did they rise to the challenge brilliantly, but they also developed a valuable life skill, producing some delicious results along the way!

Meanwhile, our Year 10 students enjoyed their first day at Reaseheath College, where they began their 14-16 courses in Agricultural Engineering, Construction and Equine Studies.



Their excitement and enthusiasm were evident from the outset. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to develop new skills, gain valuable experience and explore potential career pathways. We look forward to sharing updates on their progress throughout the year.



As we continue to focus on our school priorities of Belonging, Aspiration, Leadership and Learning, we will be exploring ways for THRIVE students to embrace these values even further and make the most of every opportunity to grow, contribute and achieve their personal best. We are excited to see what they accomplish throughout the year and look forward to celebrating their successes along the way!

PERFORMING ARTS

Miss Haughton, Head of Performing Arts, writes: This week I would like to congratulate Rupert Nixon as musician of the week, Natalia Rybak as actor of the week and Gracie Winnington as dancer of the week. Well done to you all!

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to Summer Thompson (Y11), who has been accepted to join Go 2 College Soccer in America! Summer really impressed the coaching staff at the trial event at York St John University with both her quality on the pitch and her attitude off it. Well done Summer - what an amazing opportunity and very well deserved!



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Congratulations to William Webb (Y8), who scored over 850 runs and took 63 wickets over the course of the cricket season. Playing for Middlewich Cricket Club, William also won various awards, including U15s Coach's Player of the Year. Well done William!

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Good luck to Summer MacDonald (Y10), who will be taking to the stage next week at Knutsford Little Theatre in the musical 'Six' teen edition! The Saturday matinee is already sold out, but you can still see Summer with her amateur dramatics group in the Tuesday and Thursday shows!



Miss Hallmark, Head of Year 8, writes: Well done to the Year 8 students who have started attending AYYR (All Aboard Youth Rowing). I have received positive feedback from coach Lorraine Cox, who says: *"The students have been exemplary. Very keen, very interested, very engaged, extremely polite and as expected, just a few little nerves as we got onto the water into a boat today, but all the students achieved this with big smiles, and I have to say, I think this is going to be a good year for Team Hartford"*. Well done 'Team Hartford' - Lily, Emily-Mai, Ella, Emilia, Brooke, Joey, Ethan, Aidan and Luca! I am immensely proud to receive such positive praise and cannot wait to see your progress and success this year!

FOOTBALL



Well done to the Year 8 Boys football team who travelled to Winsford Academy on Tuesday to take part in the Festival of Football against local schools. The boys played brilliantly, winning 4 out of 5 games, without conceding a single goal. A phenomenal achievement!

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On Tuesday, our Year 11 Girls football team competed against Weaverham in the first round of the Cheshire Cup and took the game by storm. From the first whistle, the girls showed fantastic teamwork, determination and confidence, creating plenty of chances and working hard for each other. Their efforts were rewarded with an impressive 5-0 victory to Hartford and a well deserved clean sheet. Well done, girls. A brilliant first game and a fantastic start to the Cheshire Cup!

NETBALL



On Monday, our Year 11 netball team played their first two games of the Mid Cheshire League. The girls had two brilliant matches, showing great teamwork and commitment throughout. They secured fantastic wins against Cransley and Weaverham, making it a very successful start to their league campaign. An excellent start to the year and a great achievement from the whole team. Well done, girls!

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On Tuesday, our U15 netball team came up against Congleton in the first round of the Sisters in Sport Trophy competition. The team worked exceptionally well together, with the first three quarters being a closely fought contest. However, in the final quarter, the girls really showed their talent and pulled away to finish with an excellent 24–18 victory for Hartford. Well done, girls. What a fantastic team performance! A special mention to Grace Dean for Players' Player. Well deserved!

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Our U13 netball team also played in the first round of their Sisters in Sport netball tournament this week. The girls played exceptionally well and came up against a very strong side from Leftwich. Despite their best efforts, the score went in Leftwich's favour. The team can now look forward to continuing their competition in the Vase. Well done, girls, on a fantastic effort and for representing Hartford so well!

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On Thursday, our U16 netball team took part in the first round of the Shield competition of Sisters in Sport. The girls had an excellent first game, working hard throughout and making a strong start. The final result was 38–29 to Hartford. A huge well done to our Players' Player, Grace Senior! Well done, girls!

ENRICHMENT AWARDS EVENING

Taking place on **Wednesday 30 September**, this Awards Evening celebrates the students who are committed to our school enrichment programmes, including those who have completed Duke of Edinburgh Awards. If you have received an invitation for your child, please do reply to let us know whether you are able to join us for the Awards Evening!

CYBER-SAFETY/ONLINE HARM EVENING

We are delighted that DC Andrew Kevan from Cheshire Police is holding a Cyber-Safety and Online Harm awareness session for our parents/carers here at school on **Thursday 1 October**, 6pm-7pm. We encourage all our parents/carers to attend to learn more about the risk and dangers facing our children, and what we can do as adults to reduce that risk and support them. This expert advice is invaluable for you to protect your children!

CWAC PARENT CARER FORUM

The next Forum will take place on **Thursday 15 October** - details to follow next week!

AND FINALLY...

Have a lovely weekend everyone! Rachel Pickerill