



HARDY MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025



CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS

A huge thank you to all the parents and family members who joined us for our recent events!

The Nursery Sing-A-Long, Reception class's productions of 'The Big Little Nativity' and the Key Stage 1 play 'The Inn-Spectors' were nothing short of delightful.



The children truly entertained us with their outstanding performances, encapsulating the true spirit of Christmas. A massive well done to all the staff and children who worked so hard to make these productions a success!

Monies raised from the ticket sales this year will be used to replace some of our very tired and/or damaged costumes and to purchase further sound equipment. Thank you.

UNIFORM



Shoes - A quick reminder that school shoes must be black. If for any reason your child needs to come to school in anything other than black school shoes, please send a letter explaining the circumstances to the class teacher.

Active Wear Uniform - Please make sure that your child has the correct active wear uniform on for PE days. This uniform must be plain black and not branded sportswear. A list of the uniform can be found on the [School Uniform | Hardy Mill](#) .

PTA UPDATE

It has been a wonderful term and we want to extend our heartfelt thanks to the PTA for their hard work in organising events for our children and families. Your generosity and support have contributed to an impressive total of **£2683.95** raised! Here's how it breaks down:

- Halloween Disco: £696.59
- Christmas Fair: £1934.36
- BWFC tickets: £53

We have bought each class a Christmas gift of games and activities for them to use when it is wet play. The children love them and they should help to make those rainy days a little more fun!

This fantastic amount will be used to benefit our school and we look forward to sharing the details of how it will be spent next term. In spring term, we will have Easter Bingo and 'Break the Rules' Day to look forward to!



DINNER MONEY

All dinner payments need to be made **in advance**. To help you manage this, the school office accepts cash and online payments through MCAS (My Child at School). These payments can be made weekly, half-termly, or termly.

We ask that any money sent into school is clearly labelled with your child's name and class. The amounts for Spring Term are as follows:

Week	£13.25
First half term	£79.50
Second half term	£76.85
Whole term	£156.35



SCHOOL COUNCIL

We have really enjoyed our first term as the school council! One of our main focuses has been to raise funds and awareness for both local and national charities. We have supported the food bank at Urban Outreach, raised funds for The Royal British Legion by selling poppies, and 'Children In Need' with our brilliant Strictly Come Dancing! Thank you for helping us achieve these goals!

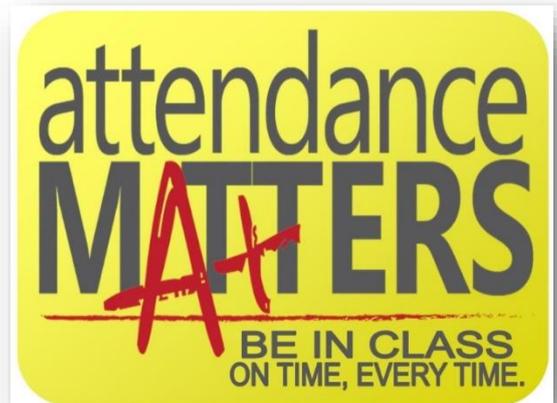
Our Eco and Sustainability Committee would also like to thank the families who got involved with the 'Cut Your Carbon' challenge in November. Their efforts to drop the temperature in their washing machines, eat 3 plant-

based meals, make 3 active journeys, meal plan to reduce food waste, drop the heating by 1C and have a device free day have made carbon savings of 238.49kgCO₂e! Next time, school council really hope that more of our families can get involved with this brilliant challenge so that we can make an even bigger cut in our carbon helping to save the planet.

ATTENDANCE

Please note that any requests for leave of absence, including appointments during school hours, should be directed via email to office@hardymill.bolton.sch.uk or submitted through the Absence or Medical Notification tabs on ParentApp. Further information regarding the coding of these absences can be found in our Attendance Policy. Please note that holidays will not be authorised unless in exceptional circumstances. Unauthorised absences may result in a fine from the local authority.

Please be reminded that the governors have arranged for a two-week half-term break in Summer term 2025, from Monday 25th May to Friday 5th June, to assist families in securing more affordable holidays outside of term time.

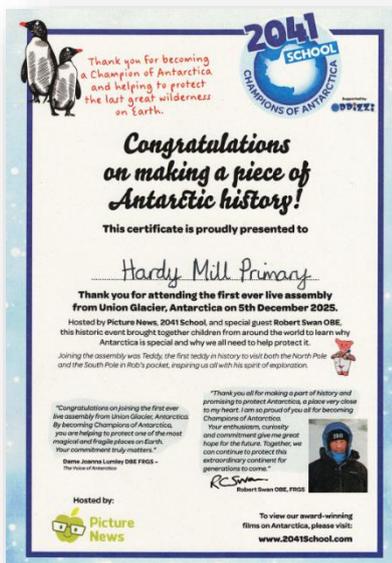
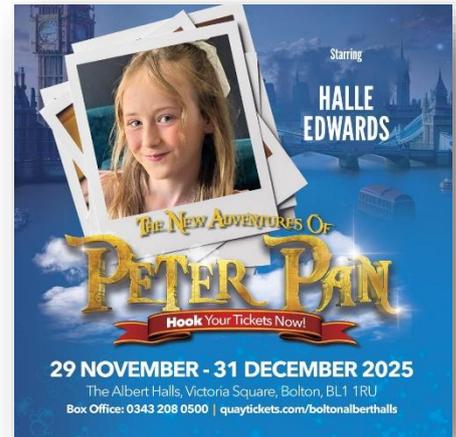


YOU'RE A STAR, HALLE!

Our very own Halle has been entertaining children and adults alike this month in the Peter Pan Pantomime at the Albert Hall. Through her hard work and effort with her dancing practice out of school, she successfully auditioned for the role in June. We are so very proud of her achievements and cannot wait to see what she will do next.

There is still time to get tickets to go and watch this fantastic production and cheer our Halle on.

Well done Halle!



CHAMPIONS OF ANTARTCTICA

On Friday 5th December, Key Stage 1 and 2 made history by taking part in the first ever live assembly from Union Glacier, Antarctica. This event brought children from around the world together to learn why Antarctica is so special and why we all need to protect it. The children got to listen to Robert Swan OBE about his adventures in Antarctica and they learned what they can do to help protect the greatest wilderness in the world. Our Eco and Sustainability committee are going to help school to keep that promise and do as much as we can to help our planet and Antarctica.



We hope that you have a wonderful Christmas with your family and friends and look forward to seeing you all again in the New Year.

School closes at 2.15pm today and will **reopen on Monday 5th January 2026**



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY– SPRING TERM 2026

Please find below a current list of dates for events in spring term. Please note that this diary of events is subject to change and further details for many of the events listed will follow.

SPRING TERM 2026			
<i>Please note that this diary of events is subject to change. You will be informed of any changes.</i>			
	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
JANUARY			
7 th	All day	Key Stage 1 trip to Chester Zoo	Chester Zoo
19 th and 20 th	All day	Year 5 Bikeability	School grounds and local area
12 th	5.00pm	Year 6 parents SAT information meeting	Rostron Classroom
FEBRUARY			
3 rd	9.10am	Dibnah 2 Phonics workshop	Reception class
4 th	9.10am	Dibnah 1 Phonics workshop	Reception class
10 th and 11 th	3.30 – 6.00pm	Year 6 Parent Meetings	Classrooms
10 th	All day	Safer Internet Day - 'Smart tech, safe choices – Exploring the safe and responsible use of AI'	In class
10 th	9.00am	Devey Class Showcase Assembly	Hall
11 th	9.00am	Heathcote Class Showcase Assembly – <i>followed straight afterwards with a short meeting for Year 4 parents only about the multiplication check</i>	Hall
12 th	9.00am	Leverhulme Class Showcase Assembly - <i>followed straight afterwards with a short meeting for Year 4 parents only about the multiplication check</i>	Hall
HALF TERM – 16th to 20th			
23 rd		School reopens - 8.50am	
23 rd – 27 th	All week	Theme Week – Eco and Sustainability	In classes
MARCH			
2 nd and 3 rd	9.00am	Kay Class Phonic workshops	Kay Class
4 th	9.00am	Kenny Class Phonic workshops	Kenny Class
5 th	All day	World Book Day – Character Day	In classes
16 th – 20 th	All week	End of term assessment week in Year 1 to Year 6	In classes
23 rd	9.00am	Kay Class Showcase Assembly	Hall
25 th	9.00am	Kenny Class Showcase Assembly	Hall
26 th	9.00am	Lancaster Class Showcase Assembly	Hall
30 th	5.30pm	PTA Easter Bingo	Hall
31 st	9.00am	Year 5 Showcase Assembly	Hall
31 st	3.30 – 6.00pm	Nursery to Year 5 Parent Meetings	Classrooms
APRIL			
1 st	3.30 – 6.00pm	Nursery to Year 5 Parent Meetings	Classrooms
2 nd	All day	PTA – Break the Rules Day – more information to follow	
2 nd	2.15pm	School closes for Easter break	
14 th	8.50am	School reopens for Summer Term	