

4th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Pupil HART Beat Team

From Monday 4th December 2023, we will be reinstating Pupil Receptionists at Hartshill Academy. These will be known as our 'HARTbeat' as they will be the face of our academy and will demonstrate our HART Values to visitors as they enter and tour our academy.

What is HARTbeat?

Each day two pupils will be our 'HARTbeat' of the academy. Based in the library, they will have duties such as: delivering messages to pupils/teachers/classes, greeting visitors and escorting people where they need to go (e.g. bringing a pupil from class to reception for a medical appointment).

How will this affect their learning?

Our HARTbeat pupils will only complete one day per academic year and during this time will still continue to complete their work via Teams on laptops in the library. We believe however that the value of this work experience will be a fantastic way for pupils to develop their confidence, communication skills and independence.

How will pupils be chosen?

Starting with Year 9, two pupils will be timetabled each day. Only pupils with above 95% attendance are eligible to be selected, in order to ensure that face-to-face teaching time is maximised for those who have missed time in lessons.

How will pupils be recognised / rewarded?

Pupils will be issued with a special lanyard to denominate them as the HART Beat for the day. Following completion of their day, they will receive a special badge as recognition of their efforts and will receive positive points to spend in the Rewards Store.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via email.

Kind Regards,

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Richard Christon
Vice Principal