



Welcome to the Autumn Term at Hartshill Academy

Welcome to the start of the Autumn Term. We are very proud of how our pupils have returned for the new school year and showed their HART values of Heart, Ambition, Respect and Tenacity. It has already been a very busy start to the new year.

Year 7 have a great start to secondary school and the introduction of family lunch to our daily routines. This week they have participated in the Loudmouth workshops about bullying, harassment and online risk. Next week will be Settling In Evening for parents to meet their child's form tutor and discuss their progress so far. We are also looking forward to seeing the Scarecrows our Year 7 pupils have made for the Hartshill Scarecrow Festival this weekend.

Years 8 and 9 have started the new year well. We have enjoyed the Drayton Manor trip this week for all the pupils who show excellent behaviour and attitudes in the Summer Term.

Year 10 have shown great heart and ambition making a positive start to their GCSE courses. They have also enjoyed the rewards trip to Alton Towers this week alongside our Year 11 pupils.

Year 11 have had very busy start to term too. On day two they had a workshop from Elevate Education about motivation and goal setting. Following this all year 11 pupils received the revision guides for each of their subjects. The school has funded the revision guides at a cost of over £5000 to ensure all pupils have access to the full revision resources they need to support their individual revision in preparation for their GCSE exams which start in eight months time. This week Year 11 have completed assessments in English, Maths and Science. They have shown their ambition and a great attitude to their studies. Period 6 lessons began this week and pupils have been invited to the revision sessions relevant to them. Year 11 pupils also have morning meeting on Monday, Wednesday and Friday to ensure all pupils can access 25 minutes of revision every week of the year in English, Maths and Science.

New Build News

The Wates team have made great progress on the new build over the summer. We are currently on track to hand over the keys to the new build at the end of August ready for the pupils for the start of the Autumn Term 2023!



Heart – Ambition – Respect – Tenacity

Toilets

We have made some changes to the use of toilets at the start of this year to ensure all pupils have access to clean and safe toilets during the school day.

- Before school, pupils can access the toilets in R block.
- At break, Year 7 and 8 pupils can access the toilets in R-block, pupils in Years 9, 10 and 11 can access the toilets in C block.
- Pupils are on lunch at different times and the C block toilets are open for year groups during their lunchtime.
- During lessons ,pupils who have a toilet pass are able to access the toilet in G block with the toilet pass from their class teacher.

If your child has a medical issue and needs a toilet pass for access to the toilets during lesson times please contact us by email infoHHA@midlandat.co.uk.

We have staff on duty at each toilet block before school, at break and at lunch time. We now also have a cleaner on site all day to ensure all the toilets are kept clean and tidy throughout the school day.

Coaching

This week pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 began their coaching sessions. All pupils in these years are in a coaching group of 12 pupils who meet with their coach three times a week. Monday is Check In, Wednesday is Check Up and Friday is Check Out. This is an opportunity for all pupils to speak and be heard as part of a small group. In each coaching session the pupils will be asked two or three questions and everyone in the group is asked to contribute their answers.

Check In – on Monday morning the coaching circle meet for their start of the week check in with their coach.

Check Up – On Wednesday morning the coaching circle meet for their mid-week check up with their coach.

Check Out – On Friday morning the coaching circle meet for their end of week check out with their coach to celebrate their achievements, review their targets and ensure they are making the most of the enrichment opportunities available to them



This week's questions were:

'What is your name, year group/job role and your favourite subject in school?'

'If you had a super power, what would it be?'

'If you could eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be?'

'What is your favourite sweet/chocolate?'

'Can you all think and share of one goal for today?'

Warwickshire Music Hub

We are pleased to work in partnership with Warwickshire Music to deliver an exciting offer for your child to learn to play a musical instrument.



Playing a musical instrument or learning to sing is great fun and helps children to develop self-discipline and confidence. Mastering an instrument can enhance educational attainment and creativity and gives children a sense of achievement. It also has positive benefits on their health and wellbeing.

Instruments we offer in school are Guitar, Drums and Keyboard. Lessons cost from £7.00 per week, charged termly in advance by Warwickshire Music who will provide 33 lessons in term time through the academic year.

If you wish your child to start lessons with Warwickshire Music please click on the enrolment link below to sign up for lessons [Enrolment](#). Alternatively, visit www.warwickshiremusichub.org and click on 'Enrol Today'