

Dear All

It's been a disrupted couple of weeks what with snow and the boiler breaking down. I really don't like closing and know how difficult it can be to arrange childcare at short notice. I took the decision to close on Friday as I wasn't sure what the weather would do overnight. I made the decision after discussion with our Chair of Governors (who lives locally) and neighbouring Head Teachers.

The boiler fault was identified at 6:30am on Monday and although we attempted to get it going, I had to admit defeat. It was finally fixed at 4:30pm. The building was very cold after the weekend and we really couldn't expect children to spend the entire day here in those circumstances.

**Remember that school doors open at 8:40am. This can give you extra time and also give extra learning time too. Take advantage!**

Please email if you need to.  
Mr Orgill

Email [Headteacher@hargate.sandwell.sch.uk](mailto:Headteacher@hargate.sandwell.sch.uk)

## Attendance

Monday 26 February to Thursday 1 March

Nursery AM	88.3%
Nursery PM	84.6%
Reception (RLK)	94.5%
Reception (REP)	94.9%
Year 1 (1RR)	93.4%
Year 1 (1EH)	97.9%
Year 2 (2TW)	93.5%
Year 2 (2SW/HP)	92.7%
Year 3 (3HP)	89.9%
Year 3 (3RJ)	95.8%
<b>Year 4 (4JW)</b>	<b>99.2%</b>
Year 4 (4KC)	96.6%
Year 5 (5SA)	98.4%
Year 5 (5GT)	96.7%
Year 6 (6DB)	96.3%



## National Deaf Children's Society London Marathon



Mr Orgill will be running the London Marathon (well a fast walk for most of us as he only has little legs) on the 22 April 2018 fundraising for the National Deaf Children's Society.

As part of the fundraising we will be holding a raffle. Tickets have been issued to pupils this week, prizes include:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize £70 Asda Gift Card
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £30 Asda Gift Card
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Hamper

Plus bottles, Gift Sets, Chocolates and tickets to various attractions such as Dudley Zoo and the Snowdome.

We will also be holding a non uniform day on 23 March 2018, where we would like to ask for a donation of £1.

### The National Deaf Children's Society

Are a leading charity for deaf children. They give expert support on childhood deafness, raise awareness and campaign for deaf children's rights, so they have the same opportunities as everyone else.

If you would like to make a donation to Mr Orgill's Just giving page the link is below, all money donated will go directly to the National Deaf Children's Society

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andreworgill2018>



### Little Gaters 2 year provision

We have a few remaining space available for Easter start, please come to the office to collect an application form.

## Term Dates for the Academic Year 2017/18

**Tuesday 2 January 2018 - Thursday 29 March 2018**

Friday 30 March (Good Friday) - Friday 13 April 2018

Children return to school Monday 16 April 2018

**Spring Term**

Easter Break

**School Closed for Elections Thursday 3rd May (except Year 6)**

**Monday 16 April 2018 - Friday 20 July 2018**

Bank Holiday - Monday 7 May 2018


Monday 28 May 2018 - Friday 1 June 2018

(Children return to school Monday 4 June 2018)

**Summer Term**

May Bank Holiday

Half Term

	<p><b>School Events</b></p> <p><b>19 - 22 March - Parent Consultations</b> - online booking</p> <p><b>20 March - WBA Penalty Shootout</b></p> <p><b>23 March - Non Uniform Day £1 donation</b> - National Deaf Children's Society</p> <p><b>27 March - Year 2 Trip to the Safari Park</b> - Please pay on parent pay</p> <p><b>28 March - Easter Page Party</b> — Spring Book Swap</p> <p><b>28 March - The Great Book Bake Off</b> — entries to be in by 27 March</p> <p><b>29 March - Easter Celebration Day</b> (Nursery /Reception/KS1—Bonnets &amp; KS2 Egg Decorating)</p> <p><b>16 April - Children return to school following Easter break</b></p> <p><b>19 April - Animal Man</b></p> <p><b>3 May - School closed for Local Elections except YEAR 6</b></p> <p><b>7 May - Bank Holiday Monday</b></p> <p><b>14 - 17 May — Year 6 SATS Week</b></p> <p><b>5 June - Year 1 Trip to Weston-Super mare</b> details to follow, payment to be made on parent pay</p> <p><b>6 June - Reception Trip to Twycross Zoo</b> - Payment to be made on ParentPay, letter to follow</p> <p><b>14 June - School Nurse Drop in Session</b> 2:30pm</p> <p><b>6 July - Summer Fair</b></p> <p><b>20 July - Last Day of Term</b></p>
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### Contact Information

It is important that you inform the school of any updates to your address, telephone numbers and email address. This will enable us to keep you informed of any information you need to know regarding events happening in school and to ensure we can contact you should your child fall ill during the school day.

### Sport at Hargate

Hargate Boys Football team played their first league fixture after the winter break this Thursday, comprehensively beating King George 11-0. The team have now moved up to 2nd in the table. Well done to all of the lads involved.

Upcoming sports events, please come along and show your support!

Tuesday 13th March- Boys v's Girls Football friendly

Thursday 15th March- KS1 SEN S.M.I.L.E. Sports Festival @ Tipton Sports Academy

Thursday 15th March- Boys Football Cup home match v's St. Philips

Monday 19th March- KS1 Cricket competition @ Tipton Sports Academy

Tuesday 20th March- Beat the Bird Charity Penalty Shootout Fundraiser

Thursday 22nd March- Boys Football League home match v's Lyng

**Beat the Bird sponsor money to be handed in to the school office/class teacher in a sealed named envelope no later than:**

**Monday 19 March 2018**

### **School Nurse Drop In Session**

**Thursday 22nd March 2018**

**8:30 am**

The drop in session will be run by support workers; they are **unable** to diagnose or physically look at rashes or body parts.

They can offer advice and support with regards to health issues such as:

**HEAD LICE  
BED WETTING  
HEALTHY EATING  
BEHAVIOUR  
AUDIOLOGY REFERRALS**

They can also offer advice on services that are more specialised with any concerns you may have.



### **School Closure**

School will be closed to all children **EXCEPT YEAR 6** on **Thursday 3rd May 2018** for the Local Elections.

School will reopen on Friday 4th May 2018

