



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for your help and support over the past year.

Our children have had an amazing year with so many wonderful memories and exciting experiences. Visits to museums, historic buildings, the seaside, walks in the countryside, trips to theme parks and too many visitors to count.

We have had a very successful Ofsted inspection which recognised the great work we do. Particularly the way our children live out our CARE values and how they are developing into responsible and caring individuals.

Thank you to our wonderful staff, without who none of this would be possible. They work tirelessly to make sure this all happens.

Our focus for next year is going to be doing the right thing. We want our children to respect themselves, each other and our school. We will start the year with a focus on being ready for school. We want our children to be on time, in school, looking smart and with the correct resources everyday ready to learn.

To help you, we have included with this letter a list of key times and dates, information about school uniform and PE kits and the learning your children will take part in next year. By working together, we can help each other and most of all, help our children to be even more wonderful.

From everyone at Hardwick, have a great summer and see you all back here safely in September.

### **School day:**

8:00 Breakfast Club starts

8:35 School gates open

8:45 School gates close and school day starts

11:45 Morning Nursery finishes

12:15 Afternoon Nursery starts

3:15 School gates open and school day finishes

3:25 School gates close and children sent to office for late collection

### **PE days:**

Nursery – Friday

Reception – Monday and Thursday

Year 1 and 2 – Monday and Wednesday

Year 3 and 4 – Tuesday and Friday

Year 5 – Monday and Thursday

Year 6 – Tuesday and Thursday

Year 3 and 4 children will be going swimming on Fridays; your child's class teacher will let you know which term this will be.

## Key dates for next year:

### Autumn term: 4<sup>th</sup> September – 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Date	Event
4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> September	INSET days – School closed for staff training
8 <sup>th</sup> September	School opens for children
22 <sup>nd</sup> -26 <sup>th</sup> September	Parent workshops – Meet your class teacher
21 <sup>st</sup> and 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents' evenings
24 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes for half term holiday
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	INSET day – School closed for staff training
4 <sup>th</sup> November	School opens for children
17 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Parent workshops – Helping your children with English and maths
18 <sup>th</sup> December	School closes for Christmas holiday
19 <sup>th</sup> December	INSET day – School closed for staff training
*Winter Fair (to be confirmed)	

### Spring term: 5<sup>th</sup> January – 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Date	Event
5 <sup>th</sup> January	School opens for children
26 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Parent workshops – Keeping our children safe online
10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' evenings
13 <sup>th</sup> February	School closes for half term holiday
23 <sup>rd</sup> February	School opens for children
9 <sup>th</sup> -13 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent workshops – Preparing our children for their summer tests/SATs
27 <sup>th</sup> March	School closes for Easter holiday

### Summer term: 13<sup>th</sup> April – 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

Date	Event
13 <sup>rd</sup> April	School opens for children
4 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed for Bank holiday
5 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Parent workshops – What we teach in Relationships and Health Education
11 <sup>th</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	School closes for half term holiday
1 <sup>st</sup> June	School opens for children
1 <sup>st</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication tables check
8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 and 2 Phonics screening check
15 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Parent workshops – Preparing our children for next year
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET day – School closed for staff training
10 <sup>th</sup> July	End of year reports sent out to parents
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents' evening
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	School closes for summer holiday
* Summer Fair (to be confirmed)	
* Sports Days (to be confirmed)	

In addition to these dates your class teachers will also be organising termly open events where you will be invited into school to find out more and get involved in your children's learning.

### School Uniform:

<p>*Royal blue sweatshirt or royal blue cardigan, with or without school logo</p>	
<p>*White polo shirt or a white button up shirt, with or without school logo</p>	
<p>*Black or grey trousers (includes black jogging bottoms) or grey skirt          *Skirts must be knee-length          *Pupils who are wearing skirts must also wear black, grey or white tights or socks  <b>*Black jeans or tracksuit bottoms are not permitted</b></p>	
<p>*Black shoes or plain black trainers  <b>*High heels are not permitted</b></p>	
<p>*Plain royal blue, black, grey or white <b>elasticated</b> head scarves</p>	

## PE Kit:

* Plain royal blue or black sweatshirts or plain black, grey or blue tracksuit tops	 
* Plain white PE t-shirt.	
* Plain black, grey or blue jogging bottoms or tracksuit bottoms or plain black shorts	 
* Plain royal blue, black, grey or white elasticated head scarves	
* Trainers or PE pumps	 

School uniform can be purchased from Uniform Direct, 54 Babington Lane, Derby, DE1 1SX Tel: 01332 342569 or local supermarkets.

## Jewellery:

Permitted jewellery that may be worn is:

- One pair of stud earrings – no other piercings are permitted.
- A sensible wristwatch. Smart watches are not permitted.

All jewellery must be removed before PE lessons and swimming lessons.

## Makeup:

The school rules on makeup are as follows:

- All forms of make-up are not permitted.
- Nail polish, false nails and nail extensions are not permitted.

If you would like any help and support with school uniform or PE kits, please contact the school office.