



Our Queen's 90th Birthday!



Herne Tweeted a special Happy Birthday message and picture for the world to see yesterday, wishing the Queen our good wishes for her 90th birthday. As a school we intend to mark the occasion with a street party and picnic lunch on **Tuesday June 14th**. This is just after her Official Birthday on June 11th. The Queen has an official birthday in June because, traditionally, she watches over the Trooping of the Colour. Why June? We are told that June is a much better month for outdoor events than April, hence the two dates!

On June 14th, we would like all pupils to come to school on that day wearing **red, white and blue**. Friends of Herne have kindly offered to provide squash and decorations for the celebrations and our kitchen will be offering a special street party picnic bag on that day. There will also be some musical entertainment from both the choir and orchestra. In addition we would like to have a royal themed hat competition, where prizes will be awarded to the best in each year group for hats made at home. We hope this advance notice gives children and parents a chance to prepare for this big celebration. 😊

Park & Stride Initiative

Next Wednesday (April 27th) we would love parents and children to park at the Festival Hall Car Park from 8.15am. If you haven't got a FREE permit from our school office, we'll have a supply of them with us on the morning, allowing parents to park free of charge whilst doing the school run. We are also in discussions with East Hants to see if there is a slightly longer leeway with the permitted times for the permit, allowing for realistic walking times if you have a little one in tow. We are grateful to East Hants District Council and Hampshire County Council for promoting this initiative and we hope that it will relieve the pressure from around the school as more people opt to Park and Stride!



We Need You! - Promoting Healthy Living in Herne

Mrs Minton, our new IT Technician has been working with Mr Markham and Miss Balmer to see if we can boost what Herne can do to get more children out of cars and into a healthier way of coming to school. Are you a keen cyclist or walker and believe in promoting healthy living? Do you have a spare hour once a half term to join our **Travel Working Group?**

With May fast approaching and the warmer weather that will (hopefully) follow, we really want to encourage our children to find different ways to travel to school. Our new Travel Working Group are looking for parent volunteers to join us in exploring different initiatives, within our community, that will support our school's continued commitment to Healthy Living. Working in Partnership with *Modeshift Stars* and *Living Streets*, Herne Juniors are working towards achieving Gold Status as soon as possible!

If this is something you feel you can help us with, please contact the school office or email admin@hernejunior.com

Further Events to look out for:

- Park & Stride event on Wednesday 27th April starting at the Festival Hall at 8.15am.
- Walk Once a Week (WoW) - This wonderful campaign, run by Living Streets, will start again in May. During registration, the children will have an opportunity to record how they come to school each morning. If they can walk to school once a week throughout the month, they will be awarded a beautiful badge!
- Monday 16th May - Walk to School Week
- Monday 13th June - Bike to School Week
- Bikeability will be returning in Year 5 in July

Lunchtime Supervisors Needed

If you are interested in joining our lunchtime team, please pop in or email the office. It is a very varied job which includes patrolling the playgrounds, helping the children with minor injuries (we will provide the correct First Aid training by sending staff on FREE courses), supervising the children eating, encouraging organised playtime games, a regular meeting every half term with Mr Markham to give feedback on the job and resolve any issues (additional pay is given for your extra time). As well as joining a fab team, it gives people the chance to see the inner workings of a school, sometimes leading to extra paid employment supporting our children in lesson times if this is something you might be interested to do. The recent 'living wage' initiative will mean that the pay has now risen to £7.21 an hour.



Good Luck Mr Hyde

One of our fantastic Aspire coaches will be running in this weekend's London Marathon. He is running for 'Children with Cancer UK' and has already raised over £3000. If you would like to sponsor him, look at the link below:

www.childrenwithcancer.org.uk/run

Damaged Car

On Monday afternoon at approx. 3.30pm a parent's white ford s-max was parked along Moggs Mead near the lay by, opposite the bus stop when it was severely damaged by a blue car that did not stop. If you witnessed this please let the school office know.

Friday Football Club

Sadly we have not been able to find an additional football coach to take over Mr William's Yr 3/4 Girls football club on Fridays (Mr William's change of job means that he cannot carry on with the club). It has been decided that all **Year 4** girls who were a part of this club in the Autumn term can now join Upper School football on a Friday (a letter will be coming home about this). Our Year 3 girls football players will have to sadly wait now till September when we will allow them to trial for Upper School football, or they can join the Aspire club on Mondays.

Class/Leavers Photos

The closing date for ordering the class and leavers photos is the 26th April 2016.

HELPING FAMILIES WITH HOMEWORK

TIP 8
Give praise
 Let them know they're doing a good job!
 Let your child know that you are pleased with their progress. Help them to make activities and learning tasks feel more achievable by showing them just how much they have already achieved.
 Remember – you can show them how not giving up and hard work can lead to success.

TIP 9
Go to school!
 Talk with your child's teachers – they will be pleased that you want to get involved.
 Let them know that you are keen to help your child with their study and that you want to get involved in their learning experiences.
 You could ask them questions about:
 • How your child is doing at school
 • What they might be struggling with
 • How you can help your child
 • What your child's behaviour is like at school

DIARY – Summer Term 2016

April		May	
26 th	Closing Date for Class and Leaver Photo Orders	Sun 1 st	CAR BOOT SALE AT HERNE
Wed 27 th	8.15 Launch of Park & Ride Initiative at Festival Hall Car Park – please get your permit from the school office ☺	Mon 2 nd	BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed.
Thu 28 th	4.40-6.30FoH Children's Quiz	Thu 5 th	OPEN SCHOOL – Come into school to see your child's books
		Mon 9 th	SATs Week for Year 6

WHEN: SUNDAY 1ST MAY 2016 0800.
 (Other dates TBC - keep an eye of Facebook).
SELLERS: SMALL CARS £6 LARGE/ESTATE CARS: £8 (Incl vans and estates etc) Arrive and set up is 0700. There is no need to book.

BUYERS: Free after 0800 or 50p before.

CONTACT:
 Naomi on 07877126188 or Chris on 07538141746.

ITEMS NOT TO BE SOLD ON SITE
 Counterfeit and replica times (incl DVD etc).
 Weapons of any kind.
 Food and drink.

The parent and teacher association of Herne Junior School are proud to announce that we have secured the playgrounds to use as a hard standing car boot sale. All pitch and entry fees raised will be going directly to Herne Junior School. So come on and bring your unwanted items and make yourself some ££££ while raising ££££ for your child's school too.

We hope that this will be a regular feature and so we have set up a FaceBook page to inform you when the boot sale will be on, so please check it out. We look forward in seeing you all there.

