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## Congratulations



A big congratulations to our winners of last half-term's 'INDEPENDENCE' awards, which we celebrated in a special assembly last Friday. This half-term our value in focus is our red Harmony Hero 'RESPECT'. Last week we were looking at respectful language and being

respectful at home and at school. This week we have been focusing on being respectful citizens of the planet and on Monday, we celebrated 'World Earth Day' in assembly, with different ideas of how to further reduce single use plastic.



### Afterschool playground use and Afterschool club pick up.

Please can we remind parents not to stay on the premises longer than is necessary to collect your child at 3.30pm, as we are still operating as a school, with several afterschool clubs. Please do not let any children, whether Herne pupils or not, play in the adventure play after school, as The In-between Club use it straight after school, followed by our own Twilight club.

Now our clubs are back up and running, we would like to remind parents and carers to collect their children from the appropriate area. If you collect from an indoor club e.g. choir, the club leader will escort them to meet you at the main door at the front of the building. If it is an outside club, your children will be led by the leader to meet you at the top path of the playground, but please do not venture further onto the premises than the Herne Hideout. Twilight Club use our playground and field and for safeguarding reasons, we cannot have people accessing these areas after school. The exceptions to this are, Twilight parents/ carers entering via the Basketball playground to collect their child and the Friday football when parents/carers may walk across the basketball playground to the field and along the running track to watch.

### Help needed for our Forest School area.

Our Herne Forest School area has had quite a bit of use this year and is in need of some TLC, ready for September. On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> May (during the May half term), we will be here and would love some willing volunteers to help us! We have already had a few kind parents offering to help. More details to follow nearer the time. Please email: [s.balmer@hernejunior.com](mailto:s.balmer@hernejunior.com) for further information.



### Job Opportunities

We have three exciting job opportunities open up at Herne:

Receptionist and Admin Assistant  
Learning Support Assistant including lunchtime supervision  
HLT/NVQ Level 4 PPA Cover

Please go onto our website to find out more details. <https://www.hernejunior.com/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=62>



## Toys being smuggled into school

We have noticed an increase in children bringing toys into school. Small cuddly toys, lego figures, miniature skateboards... to name a few. We are going to talk to the children about this on Monday, but please help us to monitor this at home as well. Thank you for your support with this.

## Parent Coffee Morning - Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 9.30am

Miss Balmer (our Home-School Link Worker) will be jointly hosting another Parent Coffee Morning with the School Nursing Team. This is a fantastic opportunity to get advice around behaviour, routines, healthy eating and other parenting challenges.



## HAFS News

Please make sure you read the HAFS newsletter, that will be coming out with today's Friday Flyer. A very

important date to get into your diary is **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May** where HAFs are holding a **Non-School uniform day** in exchange for items for the rainbow raffle.

## Disco Change

Due to an issue with volunteers to support the disco, we have had to do a little swap. Therefore, **Year 3 and 6 is on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June** and **Year 4 and 5 is on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June**. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

May		June	
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup>	Parent Coffee Morning (School Nursing Team)	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	INSET Day
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 3 Healthy Hero Day – dress up, see curriculum letter for details.	Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day gifts home
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY – May Day</b>	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	HerneFest
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup>	Open School (3.30 – 4.30)	Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Ironbridge Meeting
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup>	SATS Week	Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Disco (Years 3 and 6)
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup>	HAFs Happy Hamper <b>Non-Uniform Day</b>	Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Disco (Years 4 and 5)
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Rainbow Theatre (Year 5 and 6) Lisa James (Abri Housing) support in finding a job (9.30am)	Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee/Open morning for Year 6 parents with Welfare Manager and SENDCO from TPS in 9.30am.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	HAFs Happy Hamper winners announced Year 6 Victorian Day		
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Rainbow Theatre (Year 3)	July	
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 31	<b>HALF TERM</b> (Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> Forest School Ground Force Day)	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> – Fri 5 <sup>th</sup>	Ironbridge (Year 6 residential)
		Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Swimming Gala (Year 5) – times to be confirmed
		Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Changeover Day (inc. TPS Transition day)
		Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day 9.30 – 12.00
		Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 7-9pm
		Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Last day of term. (12.30pm finish)</b>