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A Huge Thank You to our Local Community!

We are so proud of all of the local support our school has been getting. First of all, the incredible 35,435 votes for the Aviva Community Grant for an all-weather running track has officially put us in the grand final of 52 projects nationwide. We should hear of our possible success with this grant early in the New Year.

Our plea for a tree has been successful with Mrs Powell (mum of Megan) offering to buy the tree...but it gets better! Not only has Mrs Powell managed to get us a tree, free of charge, from Wylde Farm (who have supported our plea before) but Wylde Farm have also said they will give us a free tree for the school EVERY YEAR! ☺ We'll be sending out their flyers as a huge thank you during next week and we'll put this out on our Twitter account later today. Thank you so much!

In addition, Waitrose has offered the school time from their employees to help refurbish our cloakrooms and toilets. One of our parents, Mr Prendergast (dad of Katie and Joseph) approached Mr Markham and has donated 600 consecutive numbers to use in our pigeon holes so that the children can easily find their PE bags and other things they put into them. This has saved the school over £200, so another big thank you from us for this generous donation!

Mr Markham has been contacting all Hampshire headteachers in a grass roots campaign to secure more funding into hard-hit schools who have seen real term cuts in their budgets of 8% since 2010. All of the help we get from parents is 100% guaranteed to go straight to our children for their lessons TODAY and we intend to spend the 'little extra' from the Chancellor on 32 brand new iPads. Although this sounds like a luxury, in our 21st Century world, if children are not computer savvy, they will not keep up with their peers.

Christmas Fayre News

This year's Christmas Fayre is on Monday 10th December from 3.30 – 6.00. We still need lots of volunteers especially for the food stall, hot drinks and Santa's Secrets Room, so if you think you could volunteer for even a small part of the fayre (half-an-hour would be a great help), please could you email Naomi (Chair of FOH) on the following details: naomi.dodd@hotmail.co.uk



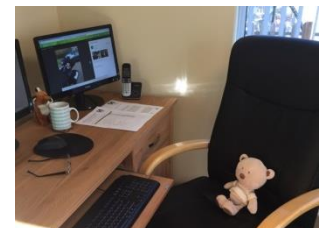
During the fayre our choir will be singing and the school's orchestra will be playing, both sessions will get us all in the mood for the weeks to come before Christmas. Several of our classes have appeals for items for their stalls – please see below.

Cake Stall - Can we ask for donations of cakes for the cake stall for the day of the Fayre...get baking!



Jam Jar Tombola - Damson class are collecting filled Jam Jars for their stall. This has been a very popular stall in previous years. All we need is a clean Jam Jar with the lid, decorated for Christmas and filled with sweets and/or little toys. The Jam Jar Tombola is a great way to clear out any unwanted sweets (particularly after Halloween!) McDonald toys, party bag toys or for example, little cars or plastic animals. Don't forget, you can drop off your filled Jam Jars to the School Office as soon as they are ready.

Christmas Appeal for bears! - Pear class are hosting a teddy bear orphanage for the Christmas Fayre this year. If you have any teddies or cuddly toys that you no longer want then please bring them into school for us. They need to be clean and in good condition, and in need of a new friend to play with or comfort. If you are having a tidy up before Christmas this would be a good time to re-home those bears you've loved and want to find new homes for. This teddy is running our school today!



Christmas Post Box

If your child would like to send their friends in school a Christmas card, we have a school Christmas Post Box. Children then sort and deliver the Christmas cards to each class on a daily basis. We can only deliver to children who attend Herne! Envelopes must have the **full name of the child they are for and their class name on**.

The post box will start **this Monday 3rd December**.

Our School Choir Get in the Festive Mood!

Well done to our lovely choir who sang at the turning on of the Petersfield Christmas Lights last Friday in The Square. They were led by Mrs Clack and Miss Morphew and sang beautifully without any musical accompaniment.

They'll be performing again this Sunday at 10.30am at the Petersfield Christmas Fayre, again in The Square. Don't forget that you can also see them performing LIVE at our Christmas Fayre on December 10th at Herne.



School Christmas Lunch

The school Christmas Lunch will be on Wednesday 12th December. We have sent home the order form for your completion and return. This meal must be pre-ordered on the form and returned to the school office. Unfortunately, there will be no other choices available on that day. If your child would prefer to have a packed lunch that day they will still join in with the festivities in the hall. **Please note the closing date for ordering is this Monday 3rd December 2018.**

Christmas Services & Year 3 Production

As you will see from the diary dates, each year group will be performing something over the Christmas period. Year 3 children will be here at the school with two performances to parents in the hall on Tuesday 18th December (6.30pm) and on Thursday 20th December (10.00am). Years 4, 5 and 6 will be at St. Peter's Church on the afternoons of Monday 17th Dec (Y4), Tuesday 18th Dec (Y6) and Wednesday 19th Dec (Y5). All of these Nativity services start at 2pm. When the service finishes at approximately 2.45pm, parents and carers are welcome to take their children straight from the church as in previous years, as long as we know that this is what you intend to do. Thank you.

Next week, Y3 will be given the words to the songs for their production, we have a link on our website so they can practise the songs at home, this can be found under the 'children' menu and select 'classroom resources' or by clicking on this link

<https://www.hernejunior.com/page/?title=Classroom+Resources&pid=72>



Poppy Appeal 2018

This year we raised £374.59, our highest ever total. Thank you to everyone who made a donation and many thanks to all of the children and staff who created the stunning display near the front of our school.

Children with Medical Issues Needing to Stay in at Lunchtime

We are always happy for children with temporary medical needs to stay in the library with one friend to read or do a quiet activity. Due to an increase in numbers recently, we are now introducing a 'lunchtime library pass' system. These passes will be kept in the school office and given to children only if they have brought in a letter or we have spoken to parents who can confirm that they have a genuine need to be inside.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



DoodleMaths Update

We have had an overwhelming response from Parents and we hope you are having a successful time using the software at home with your children. A representative from Doodlemaths is available on Thursday next week and we would welcome any feedback for this session. If you would like to get in touch, please email the school office on admin@hernejunior.com

School Uniform

Uniform is now available from Skoolkit's Havant store: Their address is: 31 Meridian Centre, Elm Lane, Havant, PO9 1UN. Telephone: 02392 455795. Opening hours: 9.00am - 5.30pm Monday – Fridays, 9.00am - 5.00pm Saturdays. The full range is also available now from their website:

https://www.skoolkit.co.uk/school_category_list.php?schoolUID=A13d7420764415400

December		December	
Sun 2 nd	10.30 Choir singing at Petersfield Christmas Fayre	Tue 18 th	2.00 Y6 Christmas Service at St. Peters 6.30 Y3 Christmas Performance in school hall
Mon 3 rd	Christmas Post Box starts at Herne	Wed 19 th	2.00 Y5 Christmas Service at St. Peters
Thu 6 th	3.30 OPEN SCHOOL		
Mon 10 th	3.30 – 6.00 FoH CHRISTMAS FAYRE	Thu 20 th	10.00 Y3 Christmas Performance in school hall
Wed 12 th	Children's Christmas Lunch	Fri 21 st	12.30 SCHOOL CLOSSES for Christmas
Mon 17 th	9.30 Rocksteady Concert to Parents 2.00 Y4 Christmas Service at St, Peters	January 2019	
		Tue 8 th	School re-opens to children