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## Flying Our Flags

### Message from the Headteacher

Following on from my message last week about getting on with each other (and not making enemies), I thought I would better explain our thinking behind flying different flags outside the front of the school. This week has been the turn of the Zimbabwe flag. We have several families who originated from Zimbabwe who have children at the school. We also have a member of staff who is from that country when it was known as Rhodesia.



The idea is that, by flying the flags that represent our families from all over the world, it gives everyone a little taste of 'home', whilst also saying – you and your family are really welcome at Herne! ☺ Of course, many of our children whose parents have settled in the UK are in fact British, as they were born in the UK. I remember the day we were fostering a 12-year old boy who was originally from Romania, who totally aligned himself to support the England football team, asking if the England team could still take part in the Euros when the country had voted for Brexit!

He was proud of his heritage, but also identified as being British. This is true of many of my friends, as I grew up in Leicester with mates whose families had migrated to the city from Poland, Uganda, Jamaica and India.

The small board on the wall under our canopy tells everyone which flag we are flying and why, and also usually provides a little bit of information about the history behind the flag or an event or celebration that is taking place in that country. I would love the children to put forward a reason to fly a particular flag each week, so if you think you'd like to propose a flag for each coming week, just email me on: [headteacher@hernejunior.com](mailto:headteacher@hernejunior.com)

Best wishes. Tony Markham. Headteacher

## Eco Theme Week

We are delighted to get the children fully involved in lots of things that will help us to work together to protect our planet. We are starting a 'Looking After Our Planet' club during October, where we want to appoint a representative from each class to join this club to promote the things we can do to save energy and make our school more environmentally friendly. If you'd like your child to put themselves forward, they can work on a speech over the weekend into next week, then there will be a vote in each class towards the end of next week. Posters have gone into each classroom to explain what the children need to do (we'll Tweet the poster over the weekend).



In addition, working with Paul Turner, one of our parents (and Education Lead for the Ministry of Eco Education), there is a planned a 'Cycle Workshop for Parents' <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cycling-workshop-for-parents-herne-junior-school-tickets-427854423097> in conjunction with the Cycling UK group in Petersfield.

## Step up for Walktober 2022



This year our school will be taking part in 'Walktober', an initiative from the **My Journey Team** at Hampshire County Council to encourage families and staff to travel actively for the whole month of October and as a way of celebrating International Walk to School Month.

### Your Steps Count! - Pupils Challenge Card/Competition:

The Pupil Challenge Card encourages pupils to make an active travel pledge, something they would like to achieve during Walktober. For example, 'Park 5-10 minutes away from school and walk or scoot the last stretch 2 times a week', 'Cycle or scoot to school once a week'. They then fill in the card with their positive active travel choices (these can be written, drawn, create a code, whatever they would like to do)! There are lots of actions that could be included: walking to school, using Park and Stride, cycling to a local shop, taking a bus instead of the car on a day trip... These actions can make a big difference! As well as being active during the school week, why not also extend being active to after school, your weekends and half term – an autumnal visit to a local park, a family bike ride, a scavenger hunt, exploring your local area on a pumpkin trail? – you can add this to your Challenge Card too! If your child would be interested in taking part then please pop into our school office to collect a 'Your Steps Count! Challenge Card'. Examples of how to complete these will be on display in the classrooms or if you need any other help please contact Mrs Lee ( [s.lee@hernejunior.com](mailto:s.lee@hernejunior.com) ). Over the course of the month, they can fill in their Challenge Card and then submit it to be in with the chance of winning a fantastic prize!

## 'Walktober' Continued...

At the end of Walktober and by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 parents/carers submit their child's completed Challenge Card to be entered into a prize draw to win a prize. More information about this and entering the prize draw can be found on the website: [www.myjourneyhampshire.com/walktober](http://www.myjourneyhampshire.com/walktober)

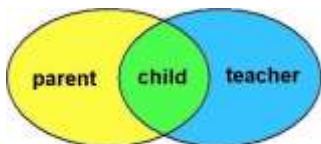


We would really love as many pupils, families and staff as possible to step up for our planet, our wellbeing and our community by travelling actively: walk/wheel, cycle, scoot, Park and Stride or use public transport. Good luck and have fun being active!

## Autumn Term Clubs List

Please find on page 4 of today's Flyer, the Autumn term clubs list. This list will inevitably expand as the term unfolds and we are in the process of arranging with Churchers College for additional clubs using their facilities, more news about this will follow shortly. ☺

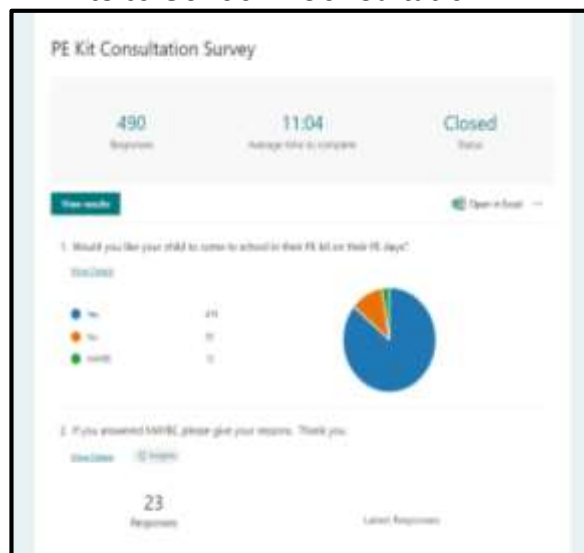
## Parent Consultation Evenings



We can now announce that Year 3 and 6 will be having their Parents' Evening week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> October and Year 4 and 5 will be having their evenings week commencing 31<sup>st</sup> October. The majority of the slots offered will be digital appointments through our School Cloud system (similar to a zoom meeting), but each teacher will also offer some live appointments for parents who prefer not to use this digital system (this blended approach was well received last spring).

More information about how to book will be emailed out to parents next week.

## PE Kits to School – Consultation – THE RESULTS!



Thank you so much to all of the parents and carers who took part in our consultation about wearing PE kit into school for the two main days when the children have PE sessions.

The results show that 86% were in favour of continuing to wear PE kits to school, with 11% against and 3% registering some comments for us to review this policy going forward.

This is plan for the remainder of this year:

Year Group	CM Sports Day - Outdoors	PE Day - Indoors
Year 3	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 4	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5	Wednesday	Tuesday
Year 6	Tuesday	Monday

Now it is getting colder, just a reminder that we ask the children to wear black jogging bottoms and a black jumper (or hoodie) with their Herne PE kit. This is available at Petersfield Market, £8.50 for the joggers and £12 for the hoodie.

## TWILIGHT – Change of Time ON FRIDAYS After Half-Term

As mentioned in our previous Flyer, after half-term, Twilight provision will finish at 5pm on Fridays. This is due to the very small take-up after this time and the consequent costs to staff this provision. As parents and carers may be aware, any profits from this club and our Breakfast Club enable us to staff our wraparound care and anything left over goes into our budget to support ALL pupils! ☺

## Supporting Your Child's Learning at Home

**DOODLE MATHS AND DOODLE  
ENGLISH:  
Both for 12 months for £12.**

All families will have received a letter last Friday regarding our special DoodleMaths and DoodleEnglish offer for our parents. Both computer programs/apps are usually £55 each per year (£110), but we can sell you both products for just **£12, saving you £98!** This special offer is only open until the end of this half term. The closing date to sign up is **21st October**. Please read the letter for more details. This is a fantastic deal and just 10 minutes a day of 'doodling' (English and Maths) has really shown to make a significant impact on children's progress. Quite a few of the staff use these apps with their own children at home and would strongly recommend them to all parents. **PLEASE NOTE LOGIN DETAILS WILL NOT BE GIVEN UNTIL THE EXISTING DOOLEBUNDLE ACCOUNTS EXPIRE IN OCTOBER.**

## Flu Vaccinations in November

Flu immunisations will take place at Herne Junior School on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November. A letter with a link to the online consent form for parents and carers will have been sent out yesterday.



### TTRockstars

Every child at Herne has a TTRockstars login and Mrs Tandy would like to raise awareness for the correct procedure to login. The website is <https://ttrackstars.com/> Select **login** from the bar and then **school pupils**. This screen will then appear. **PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU SELECT HERNE JUNIOR SCHOOL PETERSFIELD GU31 4BP.** If you don't your child will not be able to login.



## Hampshire Cup Boys Football: Herne v Twyford School

We were drawn against a very strong Twyford School team in the first round of the Hampshire Cup, a competition in which we were knocked out of in the semi-finals last year. Twyford, being a private school play sport most afternoons and competitive matches every Wednesday and Saturday, which was to be our undoing this early in the season. The teams were equally matched, but Twyford were more drilled in their tactics, which saw them take a one goal lead into the break. The boys did not drop their heads or work-rate, despite conceding a couple of goals just after half time and quickly got one back, as their confidence and teamwork grew. Despite hitting the bar and making the opposition keeper make some outstanding saves, we were unable to close the gap, eventually going down 4-1. I can see Twyford going a long way in the competition and the good news is that we have a plate competition to focus on now. Also, we have numerous tournaments in the Spring and Summer Terms, where our 'B' and Year 5 will be representing Herne. I have high hopes for all the teams. Report by Mr Edwards

## OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS

Herne Juniors will be open to prospective parents who are looking to get their children into local primary schools, especially Petersfield Infant School. This will take place on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am** with a chat from Mr Markham and a guided tour of the school by our Year 6 children for approximately one hour.

## HAFS NEWS!

Don't forget to see the separate attachment of all of the HAFS News for this week, which will come out to parents/carers electronically later today.



### Author of the Week – Sharna Jackson

Sharna Jackson is an award-winning author and curator who specialises in developing socially-engaged initiatives for children across culture, publishing and entertainment. Sharna's debut novel High-Rise Mystery received numerous awards and accolades including the Waterstones Book Prize for the Best Book for Younger Readers. Sharna lives on a ship in Rotterdam in the Netherlands. Her newest book is **"The Good Turn"**. A story of friends embarking on an extraordinary adventure in their ordinary town – proving that with activism and friendship, anyone can make a difference (Ages 9+).

## COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Active8 Minds are running a Holiday Club during October Half Term at a location near your school. The clubs are open for ages 5-12 years and costs just £21 a day! Each day will be jam packed with sports, games and creative activities! We will also be bringing out our amazing new inflatable games, Archery Arena & Giant Football Darts!

**Locations:** TPS, Petersfield, Warblington School, Havant, Springwood Juniors, Waterlooville, St James, Emsworth & Highbury Primary, Cosham



**BOOK HERE:** [www.active8minds.co.uk](http://www.active8minds.co.uk)



Santa and his band of merry Elves are getting the Sleigh out early this year for a special Petersfield Food Bank collection, but with a Hawaiian twist (as he is usually holidaying there at this time of year!) The cost of living crisis is making times even harder now for many local families and individuals. The Petersfield Food Bank has been providing vital weekly food boxes for many years but demand is increasing week on week and their stocks are running low. Full details on Petersfield Food Bank can be found at [www.pactfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.pactfoodbank.org.uk)

October		October	
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maple Class Visit to Winchester Science Centre	Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Plum & Palm to Butser Ancient Farm
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rowan Class Visit to Winchester Science Centre	Thu 20 <sup>th</sup>	Lime & Pear to Butser Ancient Farm
Thu 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cedar Class Visit to Winchester Science Centre	Fri 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>INSET DAY – School Closed to children</b>
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup>	Beech Class Visit to Winchester Science Centre	24 <sup>th</sup> – 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>HALF TERM</b>
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	9.15 OPEN MORNING for prospective parents	Mon 31 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Children back to school</b>



## HERNE JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUBS: Autumn 2022

Club	Day		Contact	Cost & other details
Piano	Monday	12.50 – 3.30	Contact the office: ( <a href="mailto:admin@hernejunior.com">admin@hernejunior.com</a> )	Teacher: Mr Thomas - £90.00 per term.
Chess Club (Year 6)	Monday	12.20 – 1.20	Mr Zenklusen	See Mr Zenklusen (Quince) to register interest.
Skipping Club (Year 4)	Tuesday	12.20 – 12.40	Mrs Clack	Mrs Clack will send a round a sign-up sheet next week.
Young Duke of Edinburgh (Year 6)	Tuesday	12.50 – 1.20	Mrs Tigwell	An email came out with joining instructions this week.
Interhouse (Year 6)	Tuesday	12.50 – 1.20	Mr Castle / CM Sports	See Mr Castle to sign up (Currently football. Netball next.).
Violin	Tuesday	1.45 – 3.15	Contact the office ( <a href="mailto:admin@hernejunior.com">admin@hernejunior.com</a> )	Teacher: Mrs Moore - £80.00 per term.
CM Sports Football (All year groups)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	<a href="https://www.cm-sports.co.uk">https://www.cm-sports.co.uk</a>	Booking and payment through CM Sports Website.
Running Club (Year 3 and 4)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.15	Miss Murrell and Miss Podger	See either teacher to sign up.
Looking After Our Planet Club (All year groups)	Wednesday	12.50 – 1.20	Mr Markham & Morwenna	This club is for a class rep. Children to prepare speeches for a vote later next week. First job – change the name of the club!
Tie-Dye Club (Year 6)	Wednesday	12.50 – 1.20	Mrs Markham	Sign up sheet coming round next week.
Art Club (Year 5)	Wednesday	12.50 – 1.20	Mrs Castle	Starting after half-term. Sign up sheet will come round last week of this half-term.
Basketball Club (Year 5)	Wednesday	12.50 – 1.15	CM Sports/Mr Castle	This is a free lunchtime club. See Mr Castle to sign up.
Creation Station Art Club (Year 3)	Wednesday	3.30 – 4.40	<a href="https://www.thecreationstation.co.uk/finder?location=Petersfield">https://www.thecreationstation.co.uk/finder?location=Petersfield</a>	Go to their website to book.
CM Sports Netball (All year groups)	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	<a href="https://www.cm-sports.co.uk">https://www.cm-sports.co.uk</a>	Booking and payment through CM Sports Website.
Brass	Thursday	1.30 – 3.30	Contact the office ( <a href="mailto:admin@hernejunior.com">admin@hernejunior.com</a> )	Teacher: Mr Thomas - £80.00 per term.
History Club	Thursday	Lunchtime	Miss Morphew	Invitation Only.
Homework Club (Year 3)	Thursday	Lunchtime	Miss Whitehead	All Year 3 welcome. A chance to catch up on homework.
Choir (Year 4 – 6)	Thursday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Miss Morphew and Mrs Tandy	To sign up, go and see Miss Morphew on Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> November (lunchtime) to get a letter. A reminder will be sent round.
Doodle Maths Club (Year 6)	Thursday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mrs Marlow and Mrs Markham	Invitation Only.
Allotment Club (Year 4)	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Armitage	See Mrs Armitage (Palm) to register interest.
Jogalong - a –Tongalong <i>Running Club</i> (Year 5 & 6)	Tuesday	1.00 -1.20	Mrs Tong and Mrs Elliot-Smith	See Mrs Tong or Mrs Elliot-Smith (Beech) to sign up.
Woodwind	Friday	1.00 – 3.00pm	Contact the office ( <a href="mailto:admin@hernejunior.com">admin@hernejunior.com</a> )	Teacher Dr Stasiak - £80 per term.
Herne Football Squad (Upper School Boys and Years 4-6 Girls)	Friday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mr Edwards, Mrs Butcher, Mr Jones and Mr Castle	Trials were held a fortnight ago. The boys club is currently full with a waiting list, there is space in the girls squad. This club is also being opened up to Year 4 girls, come and get a letter from Mr Castle.
Extended Open Library	Friday	After School 3.30 – 4.45	Mrs Garforth and Miss Whitehead	All children and parents welcome. Children are welcome to come and do their homework, with parent supervision.
Rock Steady	Friday	Afternoon	External Company	<a href="https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/">https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/</a> see their website to book a place and pay.