

Herne Flyer 8 – Autumn Term 2021



Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind – Achieving Every Day

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Speak Out - Stay Safe Message from the Headteacher

We showed an assembly to the children today all about staying safe and speaking out to trusted adults. This 3-minute YouTube clip gives parents an overview for the assembly we used: <https://youtu.be/jolOr4E-9PQ>



In the online assembly, the Speak out. Stay safe. messages are delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of their mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec. We have studied the content of the materials and are extremely confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of the programme, we're convinced children will feel empowered – knowing how they can speak out and stay safe. Please talk to your child today or over the coming weeks to see what message they took from this assembly.

The NSPCC also developed an adapted version of their assembly back in February for parents/carers to use at home with their children. This can be found here: www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/safety With the help of celebrities, the film focuses on how a child can get support if they have any worries or concerns.

If you would like to know more about the Speak out. Stay safe. programme you can find information on the NSPCC website www.nspcc.org.uk/speakout or I would be happy to discuss any questions that you may have. As an incredible final remark, our community and the children have raised a massive **£685.62** for the NSPCC. What a superb effort on everyone's part! 😊



If you would like to contact me, you can email on: headteacher@hernejunior.com

Stay Safe & Best Wishes - Tony Markham

Travel To & From School: Joint Consultation for Parents & Carers



Herne and Petersfield Infant School have both teamed up to seek your views on your needs for coming to and from our schools. This link was sent out yesterday, but if you missed it, please click the following link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AU_4GUN6YWru6u6GIroq5Gzpegl4wH1ClfhiwsI9YBq/edit?ts=615c5723

The deadline is NEXT FRIDAY 22nd October. As part of our schools jointly working together, we are legally obliged to consult widely if we propose to make a permanent change to the beginning and end to our school days. Any final decision has to be ratified by our respective governing bodies. Thank you in advance for your participation in this survey. We've had 366 responses so far!

Local charity visits Year 6

by Kieran (Willow) and Robyn (Cherry)



Yesterday, the Final Straw Foundation visited Year 6, and showed Year 6 the devastating effects of plastic in our seas. They showed each of the classes their

amazing work, then talked and showed us about all the plastic that gathers on our beaches and in our oceans. Furthermore, they invited 15 lucky

pupils on a litter pick that was supposed to lead them to the Heath; however, there was so much rubbish to pick up on the way, they only made it half way there! This shows us that even if a place looks clean, there is always more to find. They nearly filled 4 large bags in less than an hour's worth of searching! This shows how much we hurt our planet and we want you to make a difference.



Lunchtime Supervisors Needed



We have opened up applications for lunchtime supervisors to join our team. We are looking for people for upper school in particular which is from 12.25 until 1.35 (lunchtime for the children is actually 12.30 – 1.25). If you are interested in working with our lovely 9, 10 and 11 year-olds here at Herne, please get in touch on admin@hernejunior.com or call 01730 263746. Thank you.

Parents' Evenings

Throughout this week, we have held Parents' Evenings for Years 3 and 4. You can now book for Years 5 and 6, as these meetings will take place during next week. We have extended the booking time until Sunday 17th October at 9pm, so if you have missed this, you've got most of the weekend to book a slot. The link is: <https://herne.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Harvest Week (18th-21st October)

Next week, **we will be collecting food items for the Petersfield Foodbank**. The foodbank has requested tinned and packaged items (and please make sure that the items have not expired their use-by date). Linda Clist from Sheet Church will be giving the children a special assembly next week and reflection on this special time of year. We think that this tradition is especially important as it connects in our community with our position as a market town in the midst of a rural economy. Donations will be collected on tables out the front of school.



New Parents/Carers Association

We are delighted that several parents have been in contact with Mr Markham to express an interest in forming a new group to organise events for the children and parents (and to raise some much-needed cash for the school!) Mrs Philippa Garforth, our Year 4 Leader is going to co-ordinate a meeting in November for any parents who would like to get involved. Mr Markham will pass the emails sent to him on to her and if you'd like to contact her directly, just email: p.garforth@hernejunior.com or call the school. More details about this complete refresh of our partnership with parents, for the benefit of the children, will be coming very soon. ☺

Parent Governor Applications – Last Call

If you think you would be interested about the role then please contact us here in the school office. Please email admin@hernejunior.com for an application form. The deadline for applications is **Monday 18th October 2021**.

Poppies



During next week, we will start selling poppies and other items to support the Royal British Legion in this year's Poppy Appeal. Suggested donations are: Wristbands £1, Reflector 50p, Zip Pulls 50p, Snap Bands £1.50. Poppies 20p or more. We will Tweet what these items look like.

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



Hopefully all families have received a letter now 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 £12, **saving you £98!** This special offer is only open until the end of this half term. **The closing date to sign up is 22nd 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. ☺

'DoodleLearning are hosting free 20 minute parent webinars to help you make the most out of your child's Doodle subscription! These are being run on Tuesdays at **8pm on 5th, 12th and 19th October, and 10am on 26th October**. In the webinar, you will learn: How Doodle works - What the programmes look like from a child's perspective - How to use the Parent Dashboard and Parent Connect app to monitor and motivate their child - How to get help with anything Doodle related

To join the webinar, or to find out more, please [visit this page](#) 5 minutes before the webinar start time and click on the link to join. New to Doodle? Please [visit this page](#) made just for parents/carers, that explains Doodle and suggests next steps!

Inset Day NEXT FRIDAY 22nd October – The school will be closed to all pupils.

October		November - continued	
Mon 18 th	PARENTS' EVENINGS – Upper School throughout week	Mon 15 th	Anti-Bullying Week 2021: 'One Kind Word' Odd Socks Day (linked to this week) – details to follow.
Mon 18 th	Deadline for Parent Governor Applications	Thu 18 th	Elm Class to Selborne – Environmental Detectives
Fri 22 nd	Deadline for Parent Survey for Travel to School	Mon 22 nd	Oak Class to Selborne – Environmental Detectives
Fri 22 nd	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET Day	Mon 29 th	Nasal Flu Vaccinations – all year groups
November		December	
Mon 1 st	Return to School Plum Class to Butser Ancient Farm	Wed 1 st	Christmas Post-Box Starts at school.
Tue 2 nd	Palm Class to Butser Ancient Farm	Thu 2 nd	3.45 – 5.30 OPEN SCHOOL
Thu 4 th	3.45 – 5.30 OPEN SCHOOL Fir Class to Selborne – Environmental Detectives	Fri 17 th	School Finishes at 12.30
Fri 5 th	Pear Class to Butser Ancient Farm	January	
Mon 8 th	Ash Class to Selborne – Environmental Detectives	Tue 4 th	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET Day
Tue 9 th	Lime Class to Butser Ancient Farm	Wed 5 th	Children return for the spring term 2022
Thu 11 th	11.00 2-minute silence for Armistice Day		