Herne Flyer 02 - Autumn Term 2025

Knowing Every Child - Inspiring Every Mind - Achieving Every Day

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Dear Parents & Carers.

And so Term 1 starts properly!! We are delighted at how well Year 3 have continued to settle and are leaving daily with huge smile son their faces. Our Y3 Staff are reporting great attitudes and behaviours. It's been a very positive start to the year. Thank you all for getting your children so ready for school.

There are a couple of **reminders** this week:

- 1. Children need to bring school uniform (NOT PE KIT) for changing into after Forest School.
- 2. Please do not let children play on the equipment after school we often have issues if parents are talking and don't see what is happening. Thank you for not using any of the structures.



Our Value this half term is RESPECT and we have now launched our Empowerment Approach. Miss Buckle and Mrs Marlow will send home information soon about how you can support this – we are just trialling some new ways of working. In the meanwhile, do get a copy of "Curious, Not Furious." by Kit Messenger. It underpins the philosophy both Herne and PIS are promoting. We are also making much more of our Harmony heroes this year, integrating them into the programme rather than then just appearing for Harmony Week in Summer. Being a Gold Hero every term is our goal!

IMORTANT SAFEGUARDING MESSAGES

1. PARKING (This is particularly to any parents who are new to our site.)

Parking is a nightmare for us – we don't have enough staff parking and we are at the end of a cul-de -sac. There are some simple rules for you to abide by to ensure our lovely neighbours are not harassed, and that our children are kept safe.

- 1. The car park is for staff parking only. You may drive in and out to "drop and go" in the morning but not in the evening. Please do not park on the verges inside or in parking spaces. The <u>only</u> exception to this is the end of the day, <u>after 5pm</u> when picking up from Twilight Childcare and some staff have left empty spaces.
- 2. **Please do not mount any local pavements to park.** This is dangerous and limits safe pavement space for pedestrians. Cars are big- children are small, they can't see around!
- 3. In Love Lane, please do not park on any white lines over drives or in the spaces very near to the school. Parking here creates a blind corner and makes traffic back up onto the yellow zig zag area. Very helpfully, a neighbour has put a "24" sign on their gate...parking before this means that entrance sight is clear.
- 4. **In Love Lane,** if you park on both sides, traffic cannot get through. Keep parking to the school side of the road only please as this prevents chicanes for cars to weave through.
- 5. **At Hoadlands:** The Stop and Go space allows 2 cars to drop off. Please do not park there and walk your child in.
- 6. At Hoadlands: please do not park on the white lines around corners, over drives or on pavements.
- 7. There are passes available for free drop off and collection spaces at the Festival Hall. Just ask at the office.

2. ABUSE TO STAFF AND OTHER SCHOOL USERS

This is very simple!

If anyone on our site is abusive, uses bad language or is aggressive to staff, other adults or in the witness of children, they will be given a written formal warning and the Police will be contacted. Failure to follow this will result in a permanent ban from the premises. Our site needs to remain safe and our children should be protected from any form of violence or abuse.

DID YOU SEE AN INCIDENT ON WEDNESDAY EVENING OUTSIDE SCHOOL AT 3.30p.m.

I'm so sorry to have to put this in our first newsletter but we had an horrendous issue on Wednesday night (linked to Parking!!) where a parent was threatening and used seriously foul language directed to parents and staff. This was overheard by many parents and children. Really not acceptable. Quite a few parents have contacted us and some have informed the infant school. If you were affected by the incident or witnessed it, the Police have advised that you ring 101 with the Reference Number: 44250412474. Thank you.

On two much happier notes. It was lovely to meet Mrs Bishop and Baby, Everlee, on the INSET day- there is nothing so gorgeous as a new baby. Mother and child are doing well. Secondly, some of our staff were successful in achieving their National Professional Qualification for Senior Leaders – well done Miss Buckle, Mrs Armitage, Mrs Marlow Mrs Elliot-Smith and Mrs Tigwell – We are so proud of you!

And Finally, whatever you are up to this weekend, enjoy. I think I'm off to Gunwharf for some retail therapy (even teachers need new school shoes!) and I'm meeting colleagues from my old early Years Team for Sunday Lunch. A busy weekend! I've been asked already what I read in the Summer break...I'll start recommendations next week.



Sue Sayers

Headteacher

DATES FOR MEET THE TEACHERS

Each year group will be offering a small informal 'Meet the Teachers' after school. The meetings will last around 20 minutes and will be a chance to meet the teacher and find out a little more about what your child will be doing throughout the year. The meetings will take place in the classroom and a map will be placed by the front gate if you aren't sure where the classroom is.

Year 3 – Tuesday 23rd September Year 5 – Thursday 25th September Year 4 – Thursday 18th September Year 6 – Friday 19th September

Twilight Parents - Please send any urgent messages for Twilight to admin@herenjunior.com, as the email is constantly monitored by the office staff. You may copy in Twilight@hernejunior.com for information but there is no guarantee it will be seen the same day as the team perform other roles. If you are informing us that your child is not attending, on an evening when you have booked at session, please ring the office on the day to let the club know.

Butser Hill Challenge

As last year, Herne Junior School families are invited to participate in the fun run around the lower slopes of Butser Hill. Children race in their year groups for a distance of less than 2km. We're planning to meet about 9:30am by the event registration. Children should wear sports tops and some good trainers. The children's races finish at 11am and the prizes are at 11:20am.

There's free parking. Entry is online in advance via the website here - https://www.churcherscollege.com/school-life/our-community/butser-hill-challenge



Butser Hill Challenge

There's also an adult race for anyone interested - it heads up and over Butser Hill 3 times! All the proceeds go to charity.



FREE TARO CENTRE!

We are pleased to announce that we have been offered this fantastic opportunity. ALL school employees, parents and pupils at Herne Junior, during a selected 2 week period, FREE access to Taro Leisure Centre!

See poster overleaf. More info to follow

For Parents/Guardians & School pupils:

- ✓ Free Swimming for any children aged 10 & under
- ✓ Free Junior Membership for any children aged 11-15
- ✓ Unlimited Fitness Membership for parents/guardians and School Employees16+



SEPTEMBER		OCTOBER	
Monday 15 th	Beech class swimming at Churchers	1 st – 3 rd October Y4 Grittleton Residential Trip	
Tuesday 16th	Grittleton Parents' Information Evening		
Thursday 18th	Y4 Meet the Teachers	Monday 6th	Beech class swimming at Churchers
Friday 19 th	Y6 Meet the Teachers	Thursday 9th	Parent's Evening
Monday 22 nd	Beech class swimming at Churchers	Monday 13 th	Beech class swimming at Churchers Y5 Winchester Science Centre Trip – Maple Class
Tuesday 23 rd	Damson class trip to Gilbert White Y3 Meet the Teachers		
		Tuesday 14th	Y5 Winchester Science Centre Trip – Beech Class
Wednesday 24 th	Willow class trip to Gilbert White	Wednesday 16 th	Parent's Evening
Thursday 25 th	Y5 Meet the Teachers	Monday 20 th	Beech class swimming at Churchers
Friday 26 th	Individual school photos	Tuesday 21st	Y5 Winchester Science Centre Trip – Cedar Class
Monday 29 th	Beech class swimming at Churchers Quince class trip to Gilbert White	Wednesday 22 nd	Y5 Winchester Science Centre Trip – Rowan Class
		Friday 24 th	School closes for half-term at 12:30pm
Tuesday 30 th	Mimosa class trip to Gilbert White		