

Herne Flyer 2

Friday 15th September 2017

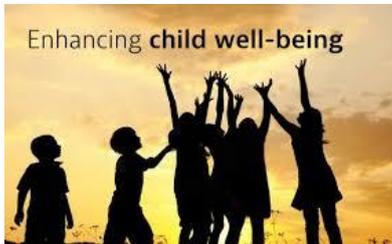


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School Improvement Priorities 2017 - 2018

As we await the final publication of our latest Ofsted report, we are pleased to say that we've had sight of the draft and are pleased that our good work is noted by them. One of the outcomes is that Ofsted recognised that we have been really challenging the children in their maths work at the school and for the coming year we will continue to drive this forward. We have looked at feedback from parents, the children and staff and have four priorities for this academic year:

- Children's well-being, healthy lifestyles, nutrition and exercise
- Maths - focussing on problem solving and reasoning
- Raising our already high aspirations for a fair and happy school, free from poor behaviour and poor language
- Reading – focussing on comprehension and how we assess them

We will be sharing more detail about these priorities over the coming term and we are hopeful that the Ofsted Report will be published next week.

Petersfield Awards – Well Done Imogen!

We are delighted to announce that Imogen Belcher (pictured receiving her award on the right) won the Petersfield Young Achiever award at the end of last term. There is a feature in the 'Life in Petersfield' magazine (which comes to most homes locally) all about these awards. Mr Castle, our deputy head, came a very admirable second in the Teacher of the Year award. 😊



FREE SCHOOL MEAL ENTITLEMENT AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING

If your child is entitled to free school meals we ask that you register them for this, even if they do not want to have a school meal as it means the school qualifies for additional funding. This additional money is called 'Pupil Premium' funding and equates to currently £1,320 for each eligible child. With school budgets being cut drastically, it is therefore vital that we ensure that we get all money to which we are entitled, so that we can give all our children the best support possible.

Service children:

Please can Armed Service parents register their child by informing the school office? By doing this, the school will be able to claim £300 a year for each child registered as having a Service parent. If a couple are divorced and the child/children are now living with their mother and a partner not in the services, as long as the birth parent is still in the services, then the child can still be registered as a service child. Also, if a mother and her children are living with someone who is in the services, even if they are not married, the children can also be registered as service children.

Further funding available:

There is also funding available for us to claim if your child was in care and has since been adopted by you. For these children, we can claim £1,900 per child. For any child who is currently 'in care' or 'looked after' we can claim the same amount. Once again, please come and inform the office. If you are not sure if your child is eligible, please come and ask at the office. As with all these matters, this will be dealt with privately and you can request a confidential meeting with one of our senior staff if you'd prefer.

Meet the Year Team and an Introduction to the Year Ahead



We are going to be giving Year 4, 5 and 6 parents an opportunity to come in and meet their child's Year Group's Team of Teachers. The meeting will just be a short 15 – 20 minute presentation by the Year Leader about the year ahead and then a chance to ask the teachers any questions or clarify any additional information (children are welcome to come to the meetings as well). If you come to the school office we will direct you to the relevant meeting room. If any parents cannot make these meetings, don't worry, as each year group will be sending **curriculum letters** home in the next week or two.

Year 5 – Tuesday 19th September 3.40pm

Year 6 – Wednesday 20th September 3.40pm

Year 4 – Thursday 21st September 3.40pm

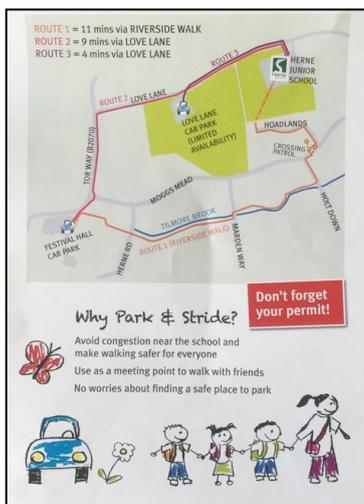
NB: Year 3 have already had their meeting earlier this week.

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At 3.10pm each day (30 mins before the meetings) we will also be serving tea, coffee and cake for parents

Parking at Herne – Drop Off and Collection

As last year, we are allowing parents to enter the school site in the mornings to loop around our car park to drop off the children. However, some people are parking at this morning drop off and our staff are then blocked from parking to come to work. Please can we kindly ask that parents do not park in our school car park, unless you have express permission to do so (e.g. for children with disabilities).



At the end of the day, please note that we will be closing our gates, as we did during last year.

Collection of the children is always much more problematic, as parents can end up blocking the car park and this restricts vision for people walking out of the school. This is a safety hazard and could end up with a child getting injured, as children do not always look where they are going in their excitement to go home.

Park & Stride...

We know the school run can be a nightmare, especially if you have little choice but to use your car. With this in mind, we were the first school in East Hants to run the hugely successful PARK & STRIDE scheme. Permits are available FREE OF CHARGE from the school office from Monday, with special permits for parents to park at The Festival Hall car park, including extended parking for those with children at both the infants and Herne. Please help to keep traffic to a minimum. If your child walks, cycles or scoots to school, they will contribute to their class winning an award AND it will keep them fit and healthy too!

Cyclists Dismount!

New signs have been put up on our fences as you enter our playground from the car park or the Hoadlands path. We are asking that all parents and children walk their bikes in the playground. This includes people on scooters too. This will help to keep everyone safe on our busy playgrounds. Thank you.



House Captains



On Wednesday (20th), the children have their first house meetings of the year and the focus of this meeting will be to vote for our new House Captains and Vice-House Captains. We know lots of our Year 6 children have been working very hard on their speeches and we wish them all lots of luck as they attempt to persuade their house that they are the best candidate for the job.

Don't forget your speeches for Wednesday Year 6!

SCHOOL PHOTOS FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

Please note that there will be school photographs taken of all of the children next Friday...please come in with your green tops (cardigans or sweatshirts) and of course, your best smiles! ☺

IMPORTANT! Y6 applying for your child's secondary school place

Applications open for Hampshire residents on Monday 18 September 2017. You can apply online via the Education Online Portal at: www.hants.gov.uk/admissions You must apply to Hampshire County Council even if you wish to apply for schools in another local authority. If you do not live in Hampshire (including Portsmouth and Southampton) you must apply through your home local authority.

If you have used the Education Online Portal previously, you will be able to log in using the same e-mail address and password. Please check your details are up-to-date in the 'My Account' section of the portal before starting your school application.

If you have not used the online portal before, you will need to register by clicking on the 'Register' button and following the onscreen instructions. You will be sent an email from the system containing a link to the log in screen. You will then be able to log in using your e-mail address and password.

The deadline for applications is midnight on Tuesday 31 October 2017.

It is very important that you submit your application by this date. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered until after all on-time applications have been processed, which means late applicants are less likely to be offered a place at one of their preferred schools. Before completing your application, you are advised to read the online guidance about applying for a school place available at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. The website also contains an A – Z of all Hampshire maintained schools, including details of each school's admission arrangements, contact details, Ofsted reports etc. If you are unable to apply online, you can request a paper form from us.

Tax Free Childcare - Important

If you have registered for the Government's tax-free childcare scheme and you wish to use this to pay for your child's breakfast club place, please contact Mrs Peacock in the school office as soon as possible with your unique tax-free childcare reference number, so we can allocate payments against your account. We are looking into this for the Twilight Club too.

ParentPay

Please ensure that you have activated your child's parentpay account for lunches/snacks/trips etc. Your child's account **MUST** be in credit to access lunches/snacks. No money = no lunch. Parentpay has the facility to send you a text or email when your balance is low and requires topping up. Anyone requiring assistance with Parentpay can contact the office for help.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Please note that attendance and punctuality are very closely monitored by the government and all schools are required to report any attendance that starts to drop too low. This also includes pupils who are persistently late to school. We are also increasingly under pressure to levy a fine to families taking time out of school in term time for holidays, often resulting in the payment of a £60 fine per pupil. This money goes to the Local Authority and is used to fight court cases for persistent absenteeism. Much of this is beyond the school's control, but if you do have any questions about any of these matters, please come and talk to us. We are here to help.



Woodland Trust Platinum Award

Miss Balmer and her crew of Woodland Wonders from last year have managed to secure the highest award from the Woodland Trust. We have been given this award for excellent recycling (saving trees) and for all of the care of our school woodland and trees.

This logo now appears on the school's letters along with all of the other awards Herne has collected over the last few years. Well done to our Woodland Wonders!

Clubs List

All of our clubs for this term are on page 4 of this week's Flyer. Please look at the details and if your child is interested in a particular club, please get in contact with the person responsible for running it.

Save the Dates

Each week we will publish a diary for the term so that parents can see the up and coming events at the school. These are also put on our website and we regularly Tweet reminders and breaking news on a daily basis, including the latest Flyer (Tweeted on Saturdays). Follow us on Twitter: @HerneJunior

Look out for further information in books bags over the next couple of weeks:

29th September: Macmillan Coffee Morning 9:00am – 10:00am

Friday 6th October: Bags2School

Sunday 15th October: Tina Allingham Family photoshoot.

More dates will follow next week and we will produce a weekly reminder on the bottom of the Herne Flyer from next week onwards.

COMMUNITY MESSAGES

Le francais – c'est cool!!! - New academic year! Be daring and Learn a language!!

But why? It's easier to learn at my age! And did you know..that my brain will lose certain connections for ever if I don't and...(mum and dad will like this one)...it may slow the onset of dementia by many years!! That's fabulous but something more relevant to me?

Ok then: It's fun! We play games, learn new songs and action chants, listen to stories, we do real life role plays so i can actually say something when i go to france. We do creative activities.

Yes I would like to join a club!

Where?

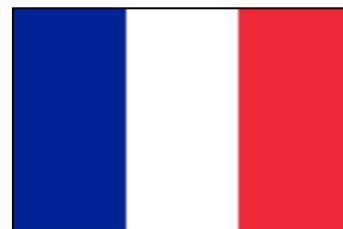
In Petersfield – Catholic Church hall

When?

On Mondays from 3.45 to 4.15pm

Who can attend? Children in years 3 and 4

Please contact alicedickens on aliceslanguageland.co.uk or 07958 918616 for further information or if you would like to enrol your child. A bientôt!



Petersfield Youth Theatre

Since it first hatched in 1993, Honk! – a charming twist on Hans Christian Andersen's 'The Ugly Ducking' – has winged its way around the world in over 8,000 productions....Check out the PYT website for more details:

<http://www.petersfieldyouththeatre.org.uk/>

HERNE JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUBS: Autumn 2017

Club	Day		Contact	Cost & other details
German	Monday	Lunchtime	Mrs Brooks	See Mrs Mrs Brooks (Damson) to join
Allotment Club (Upper School)	Monday	Lunchtime	Mr Castle	See Mr Castle to register interest
Urban Drumming (Yr 5 & 6)	Monday	Lunchtime	Mr Markham	Collect a slip from reception to register interest
Violin	Monday	1.30 – 3.00pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher: Mrs Moore - £80.00 per term
Film Club (Lower School only)	Monday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mr Zenklusen and Mr Andrews	Starting 30 th October – letters will be available in a few weeks (look out in the flyer for the date the letters are available)
Gymnastics Club (Yr 5/6)	Monday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Miss Edmondson and Mrs Tigwell	See Miss Edmondson (Plum) to join
'Ready to Rock School'	Monday	Evening	Mark on 02392 436122	Open to all. Phone for prices.
Top Trumps (Y3 – 4)	Tuesday	Lunchtime	Miss Hanney	See Miss Hanney (Oak) to register
Aspire Netball (Y3-6)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School office page of our website	£27 for half term £48 for full term
Karate	Tuesday	After School 3.30 - 4.30	SAMA Karate 02392 251626	Open to all on a pay as you go basis; please ring for costs £5 p/w
Bake off club (Yr5-6)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mrs Hepworth and Mrs Burgess	See either teacher to register interest (£1 a week to cover cost of ingredients)
Mindful Colouring (Yr. 3-4)	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Mrs Castle and Mrs Marlow	See Mrs Castle (Cherry) to register interest
Allotment Club (Lower School)	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Mrs Armitage	See Mrs Armitage to register interest (a note will come round to every class)
Piano	Wednesday	12.50 – 3.10pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher: Mr Thompson - £90.00 per term
Aspire Dodgeball (Y5-6)	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School office page of our website	£27 for half term £48 for full term
Aspire Football (Y3-4)	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School office page of our website	£27 for half term £48 for full term
Cross Country	Thursday	Lunchtime	Mrs Knight and Mrs Roberts	See Mrs Knight to sign up (all welcome)
Brass	Thursday	1.30 – 3.30pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher Mr Thomas - £80 per term
Orchestra	Thursday	After School 3.30 – 4.15	Mr Thomas via Mrs Peacock	Open to those who have music tuition with Hampshire Music Service in the school
Sewing Club (Y5)	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Meckiffe and Mrs Tong	Starting after Half-term. Year 5 only, See Mrs Meckiffe to register interest.
Amateur Naturalists (Yr4-6)	Friday	Lunchtime	Miss Gore and Mrs Tong	See Miss Gore (Rowan) or Mrs Tong to register interest – with a piece of nature artwork created with any medium.
Choir	Friday	Lunchtime	Miss Morphew and Mrs Clack	Starting Friday 3 rd November – (everyone welcome)
Recorder Club (Y3-4)	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Garforth	See Mrs Garforth (Fir) to register interest
Woodwind	Friday	1.00 - 3.00pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher: Dr Stasiak - £80.00 per term
Herne Football Squad (Upper School Boys and Y4-6 Girls)	Friday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Miss Buckle, Mr Choularton, Mrs Butcher, Mr Jones and Mr Castle	Children are invited through trials
Club Morgan	Friday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Elsa Donovan	In the Hall – see office for details