

Herne Flyer 1

Friday 8th September 2017



Website: www.hernejunior.com

Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind

Email: admin@hernejunior.com

Twitter: [@HerneJunior](https://twitter.com/HerneJunior)



We've had a lovely start back to the academic year. The children have been fantastic. The staff are all refreshed and ready to go and no Ofsted inspections to think about! The report, written as a letter to Mr Markham, will be published next week and we will comment further on this next Friday. The governors and leadership team have been deciding on our priorities for this coming year based on the parent feedback, pupil questionnaires from last term and staff comments. More on this next week.

Our new children have settled into life at Herne very quickly and successfully. Year 3 were superbly behaved in our first assembly of the year on Wednesday, so well done! Finally, just one staff change to mention is that Miss Johnson, one of our Year 6 teachers, got married in the summer and she is now Mrs Hepworth. Congratulations! ☺

Safeguarding Our Children

On Monday, every child will receive a hard copy of this important annual publication from the school which highlights how we work with parents and other people to keep our children safe here at Herne. Here is the front cover, so please look out for this in bags next week.

In the meantime, one key message is that it is vital that your child knows where to meet you after school. If you are delayed, or your child can't find you for any other reason, please say to your child to come into the front of the school and speak to someone in the office to let us know. We can then call you to see what has happened and reassure you that they are safe. This routine also relies heavily on us always having your most up-to-date contact number, so if you change your mobile number, please tell us IMMEDIATELY.

Thank you ☺



High Expectations and Aspirations



On our first day back, we told the children about our high expectations and aspirations for this year. We think it is vital that the children have self-respect and are therefore in smart uniform, with tidy hair (no radical haircuts please), correct school shoes (not trainers), the correct PE kit and that they have their Home-Link books in school every day. We have also talked about what makes a HAPPY and FAIR school. We are a big community here at Herne and we think it is important that we treat each other with respect. We are going to have a very robust approach towards zero tolerance of fighting. Those children who cannot keep their hands and feet to themselves will find themselves rapidly going onto a report card for a serious breach of our Good Behaviour

Policy and will be at risk of exclusion. Other children seeing people fight makes them feel unsafe and this is not fair to the vast majority of our school community. We are also going to record instances of swearing (usually out of the earshot of adults). This will also be dealt with robustly and we would like to think that parents will support us with helping to set the right tone for our children to grow up in a school safe from violence and abuse. We are happy to receive feedback on this matter too.

International Herne

Mr Markham had lunch with two new children today; one was Hungarian and the other child had an Italian mum. We have a tradition of flying flags from lots of different countries representing our children and their families. This year, we'd like to make sure we have a flag that is from every country of the children in our school. To keep it simple, we'd like to know the country for the child and/or their parents, so please feel free to tell us if we haven't flown your flag. In the light of Brexit, we feel it is essential that the children know that it doesn't matter where their family are from, they are as much a part of our Herne family as those born and raised closer to Petersfield.



Hurricane – Herne to Help!

If you feel you can spare any change, please send in any donations to help those communities in the West Indies devastated by Hurricane Irma and the impending following hurricanes. If you would like to support this, please send your donation to the office and we will make sure the final collection is passed on to the Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC).

Meet Your Child's New Teacher

New parents in Year 3 are invited to come and meet their new class teacher on Wednesday 13th September at 3:45pm – 4:05pm. We will also offering coffee and cake with Mrs Erika Marshall at 3:15pm – 3:45pm. The other year teams will publish dates for their meetings next week. ☺

Our New Teaching Team



Year 3

Mrs Garforth* and Mrs Lee* (Fir), Miss Morphew (Ash), Mr Andrews (Elm) & Mrs Hanney (Oak)

Year 4

Miss Edmondson* (Plum), Mrs Tigwell (Pear), Mrs Clack (Palm) & Mr Choularton (Lime)

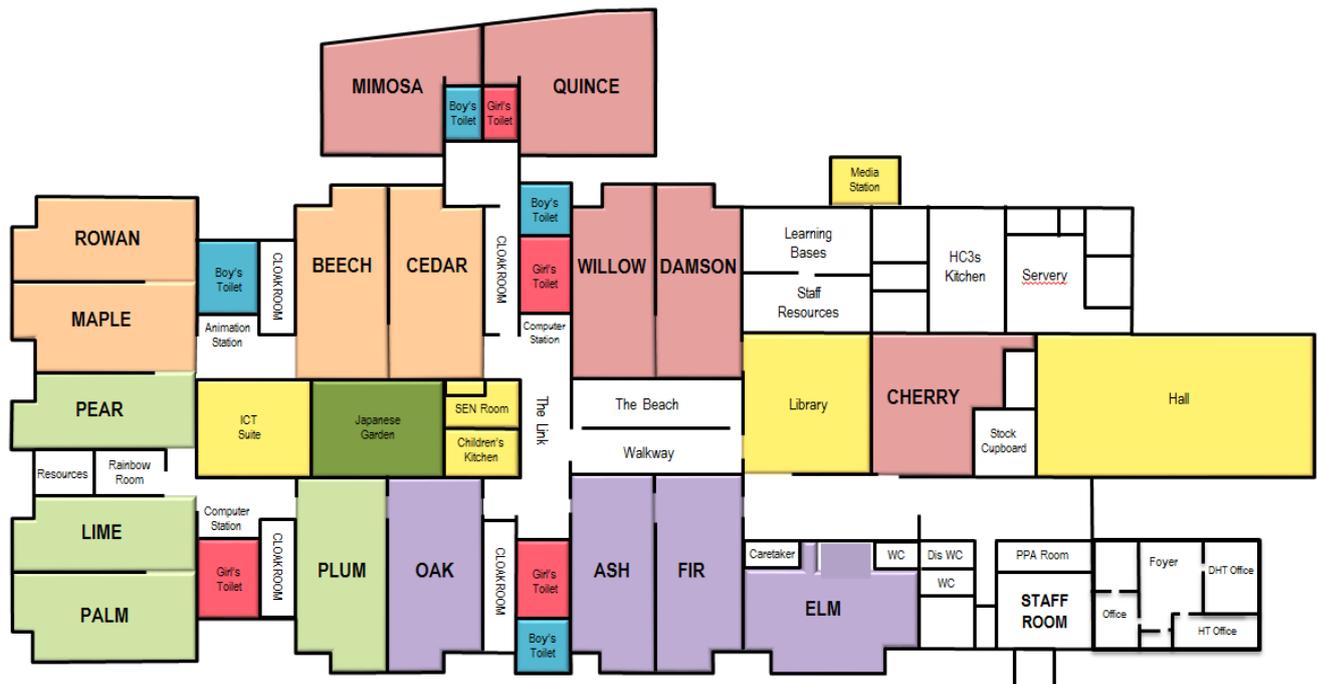
Year 5

Mrs Meckiffe* (Cedar), Miss Gore (Rowan), Mrs Knight (Beech) & Mr Jones (Maple)

Year 6

Miss Buckle* (Willow), Mrs Hepworth (formerly Miss Johnson) (Mimosa), Mrs Burgess (Damson), Mr Zenklusen (Quince) & Mrs Marlow and Mrs Castle (Cherry)

(* = Year Leader)



Reading at Herne



The phrase, '**we couldn't do it without you**' is absolutely true when it comes to encouraging our children to read. They need to be brought to books at home in a way that opens up a world of excitement, entertainment and interest. Try to make this as much fun as possible. Reading is the corner stone that is absolutely essential in opening up the world of education for every child. To help your child develop their understanding of what they are reading, it is really important that you ask them questions about the text. We have attached on today's flyer questions that could help them develop these skills (see page 4).

"At Herne we have high expectations that every child should read at least 5 times a week for a minimum of 10 minutes a day. In this way, every child will master an essential life skill, providing them with life-long learning and unlimited potential to be whatever they want to be."

Don't forget to check out our recommended book lists for each year group that can be found on our website: www.hernejunior.com (Click 'Parents' then 'Reading Lists') and please, please, please keep up to date with filling in your child's Home/Link book. Children are often asked to read in school in some of their free time (Values time, Lunchtimes, etc.) if we do not have enough evidence of them reading regularly at home.

Each week we will be publishing hints, tips and information on how to encourage your child to read more often.

Library and Link Books

Many apologies for the delay to children being able to take out books from both our Link (where there are graded reading schemes) and our main library. This is due to our stock check over-running due to the volume of books needing checking.

Break Snacks

Children can buy a snack on their lunch card on certain days of the week. See the rota below so that you know when this is available. The reason it is split like this is because the queues were taking far too long when all of the school were trying to buy snacks at the same time.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 3/4	Year 3/4	Year 5/6	Year 5/6	All

Tesco Tokens

Herne have been selected as one of the charities to put tokens into the boxes at both stores in Petersfield and the Tesco at Liss, so if you are in there doing your shopping, please help us to raise the final bit of money for renewing our playground markings.

Football Trials



This is for any children who would like to join the Boy's Year 5 & 6 Football Club and the Girl's Year 4-6 Football Club (which will be on Friday's afterschool 3.30 – 4.30pm). We will be holding trials next week at lunchtime:

Year 6 Boys and Year 4, 5 & 6 Girls – Monday Lunchtime

Year 5 Boys – Tuesday Lunchtime

The children can bring their own football kit in to wear for the trials or can just wear school PE kit, Boots and shinpads must NOT be worn for this trial. The potential players are to meet Mr Castle, Miss Buckle, Mr Jones and Mrs Butcher out on the school field at the start of the lunchtime.

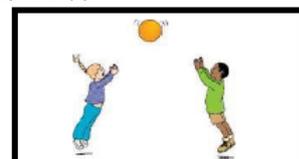
Later this month there will be a full list of all of the clubs available to the children, including lunchtime and after-school activities.

Aspire Clubs

Our friends at Aspire Sport are offering a fantastic three after school clubs this term. The sports available will be:



Wednesday Yr. 5/6 Dodgeball and Yr. 3/4 Football
Tuesday Yr. 3/6 Netball



The letters can be downloaded on our website from the school office page. See link below:

<http://www.hernejunior.com/page/?title=School+Office&pid=28>

ParentPay

Please make sure your account for your child is kept in credit because if the account becomes overdrawn, your child will not be able to purchase snacks or meals at the school. We have been told by the kitchen, run by HC3S, that they cannot allow accounts going overdrawn this year due to bad debtors from last year.

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.

PTO for Reading Questions...

Questions to ask your child after reading

What has happened in the story so far?

What do you think will happen next?

Who is your favourite character? Why?

Who is the character you like least? Why?

Do you think the author intended you to like / dislike this character? How do you know?

Does your opinion of this character change during the story? How? Why?

Find two things the author wrote about this character that made him / her likeable?

If you met one of the characters from the story, what would you say to him / her?

Which part of the story is your favourite / least favourite? Why?

Would you change any part of the story? How?

Would you change any of the characters? How?

Which part of the story was the funniest/scariest/ saddest/ happiest?

Find some evidence in the text to support your opinion. What is the purpose of this book? How do you know?

Why is this page laid out in this way? Could you improve it?

Pick three favourite words or phrases from this chapter. Can you explain why you chose them?

Did this book make you laugh? Can you explain what was funny and why?

Have you read anything else by this author? Is anything similar? Does this book remind you of anything else? How?

When do you think this book was written? How do you know? Does it matter?

What would it be like if it was written now?

Do you think the title of the book is appropriate? What would you have called it?

What is the genre of the book: sci-fi, mystery, historical, fantasy, adventure, horror, comedy?

What are the features that make you think this? Find two sentences which describe the setting.

Is the plot fast or slow moving? Find some evidence in the text, which supports your view.

If the author had included another paragraph before the story started, what do you think it would say?

Would you like to read another book by this author? Why/ why not?