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Remembrance & Armistice Day 2019

Red poppies waving

Elegantly in Flanders Field.

Mourners think of their beloved,

Ever sad, always remembering. Their

Memories live on; widows, mothers, fathers, siblings

Bearing the pain of the loss.

Remember to respect the people who died

As our two minutes' silence passes.

Never forget the soldiers that

Courageously gave their lives.

Everybody must remember those soldiers.



Poem written by
Jemma Green
2014

Herne is always proud to support ex-service men and women who have served over the years to protect our freedoms. Poetry from this period in time was very moving and poignant. Children throughout the school have been reflecting on WWI in their own ways. Here is a poem from one of our ex-pupils from 2014 that seems to capture something about this remembrance of the 'Great War':

Herne will observe a 2-minute silence across the school on Monday and will fly the Union Flag at half-mast on this day.

Children in Need Next Friday

At our school council meeting today, the children discussed how they would like to support next Friday's Children in Need and the winning suggestion was... At their last meeting,



School Council voted to have a 'Pyjama Day' to support next Friday's Children in Need (Friday 15th November). In exchange for a donation (we recommend 50p or a £1 – or as much or as little as you can afford), children will be allowed to wear pyjamas, nighties, dressing gowns or onesies to school. Please make sure they have other clothing underneath!

Friends of Herne Christmas Cards

Thank you very much to everyone who has ordered Christmas cards, mugs and/or wrapping paper this year. Cauliflower Cards donates funds back to the school for each order placed and this year an absolutely incredible £510 has been raised for our school! The artwork is currently at the printers and orders will be delivered via book bags in December. Thank you everyone!!

FitzRoy Drama Group Visits Herne

We were delighted to welcome the FitzRoy Drama Group to our school to perform to our Year 3 and Year 5 children this Wednesday.

Their performances linked with Disney films and were absolutely delightful. The children and staff were so impressed that we've invited them back to do another performance to Years 4 and 6 later in the month. Thank you to the staff and performers from FitzRoy which is a national organisation (with its HQ right here in Petersfield) that supports vulnerable adults.

If you would like to support this charity, just phone them on 01730 711107 or email: fundraising@fitzroy.org

Pokemon Cards

We are sorry to report that we have had too many instances of cards going missing or children still trying to trade these cards. In all instances staff have tried to help but, as you can imagine, this is time consuming and deflects us all from the important business of teaching and learning.

So we have now reluctantly banned Pokemon Cards from coming into school from next Monday.

We hope you understand?



CCTV Review



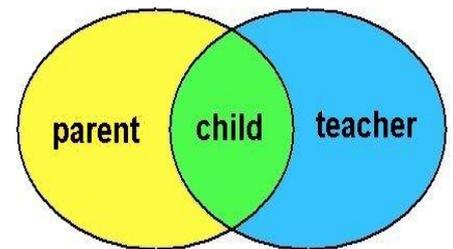
As part of the governors' safeguarding duty, we have reviewed the use of CCTV and cameras throughout the school. Due to a number of instances of children's possessions going missing (including some breaktime snacks), we are installing cameras throughout several additional areas of the school between now and the end of term. Images captured by this system will be subject to GDPR laws and any instances of theft from bags or cloakrooms will be dealt with in the strongest way. We will also be able to monitor behaviour in cloakrooms much more effectively. Please be assured that this development is for the protection and safety of the vast majority of children at Herne who are well-behaved and law abiding.

Open School Evening – Advance Bookings

If parents would like to take advantage of our later OPEN SCHOOL EVENING, which takes place this Tuesday 12th November from 5.30pm to 7.30pm, could you please call or email the office so that we can make sure your child's books are available for you to look through? We'll need to know if you intend to come by 10am on Tuesday morning next week. Thank you. 😊

Homework Review

This week, the Leadership Team reviewed the way in which each year group sets, marks and feeds back on homework. We will publish some reflections for everyone to see once we have completed this work, but in the meantime we'd love to get as many parents and carers' views on homework from your perspective. If you'd like to meet our senior leaders face-to-face and let us know what you think, we have our first Parents in Partnership meeting at 9am on Wednesday 20th November. Please come along and give us your views on this subject (and any other important matters). We'd love to see you there. We'll make sure to have coffee, tea and biscuits to help things along! 😊



Orchestra and Brass lessons next week

Please note there will be no Orchestra practise next Thursday, 14th November, Brass lessons will still take place but will be in the morning instead.

Data Sheets – Repeat Message

Your child's data sheet was sent home before half term. Could you please check, amend and sign the form and return to school by 14th November 2019. ***It is vital that we have the correct details for your child, especially in the case of an emergency.***

Twilight Club – Repeat Message

Outstanding payments for October bills must be paid in by Tuesday 12th November at the latest, to secure your place for November. **Any bills not paid by this time will not be able to access a space after this date.** Thank you.



Vacancies at Herne

Due to some staff leaving, we are once again in need of some Lunchtime Supervisors. The required hours are 12.10pm to 1.20pm per day. Starting pay is £9 per hour. Application forms are available from the school office. Please come and join our friendly team!

Tinsel The Musical! - A Message from our Friends at TPS

You may have noticed that a very special event is happening soon in our re-vamped Studio (with new seating!). We are privileged to be staging the world premiere of "Tinsel the Musical" with professional direction and a talented adult cast from across Hampshire. It is written by author Michelle Magorian of "Goodnight Mr Tom" fame and international composer Robert Buckley. It follows a pre-Christmas office party from the night before, through to the morning after; with intertwining funny, heart-warming songs and stories throughout. The production features many recent TPS students who found their passion for performance during their time with us. There are five shows from Wednesday 20 November to Saturday 23 November at 7.30pm, with an additional Saturday matinee at 2.30pm. Ticket prices are all £16, but there is a very special offer that can help the school - Santander in Rams Walk Petersfield are kindly providing "match funding" for all tickets bought in the next 2 weeks, which will also include a free glass of wine. If you go into their Rams Walk branch at any time, ask for a Tinsel voucher, then go and buy your show tickets as normal at the Library (Visitor Centre desk) you will get a free glass of wine per ticket purchased. For each ticket sold this way, Santander are donating £16 to the school. There are just over 100 tickets left (although Thursday is now sold out). If 100 seats are bought this way, it will contribute £1,600 in extra income for the TPS Development Fund charity!

Please come and support this special event and experience the new Studio Theatre at TPS. If you prefer to just buy tickets as normal online (which doesn't attract the match funding), you can do this at: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/thestudiotps>
We hope to see you at one of the 5 performances.

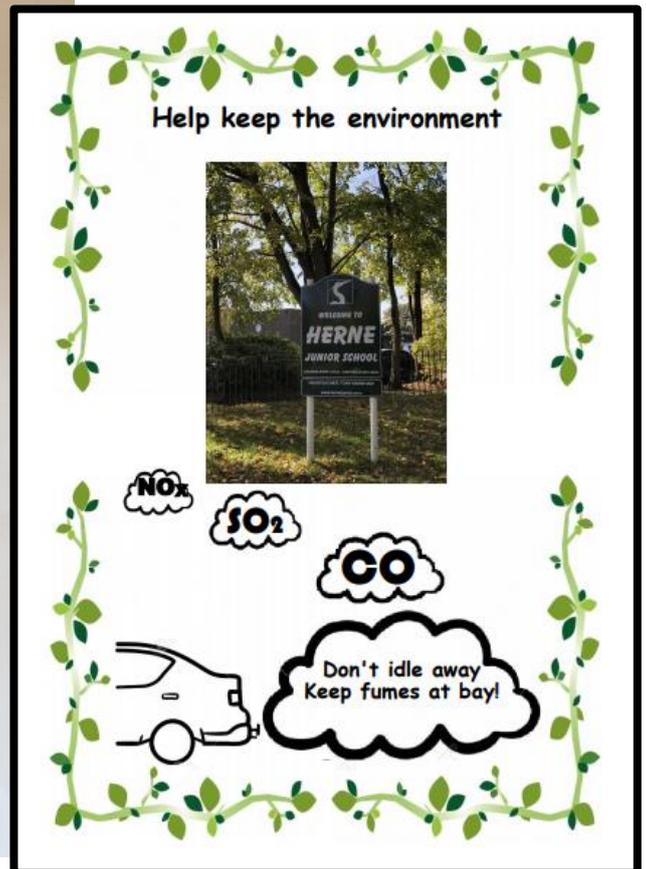
Saving Our Planet!

We are proud of our children here at Herne who are determined to do things that make a real impact to save the planet through a variety of ideas and thoughts. Lara Taylor had a brainwave whilst at home and just had to write to our local MP to put her idea forward and he replied! Here is his letter below. Well done Lara!



Our Neighbours Save the Planet Too!

One of our local residents has been 'driving' forward a campaign to encourage people in cars to switch off and avoid idling their engines when it isn't necessary. They have made this poster and personalised it to our school. Thank you Ann!



Hernes' Got Talent 2019



Thank you to all those children who signed up to this during the week. The heats will be held on Monday 11th November 3.30 – 5.00pm for lower school and Monday 25th November 3.30 – 5.00pm for upper school. If the act has member of upper and lower school, they will be able to select which date to perform. Then the judges will select approximately 20 acts that will go through to the final, which will be at the TPS studio at the beginning of the Spring term.

Helping Your Child at Home

This weeks' tip is to make sure you listen to your child read or find time to read to them or even perhaps discuss a book. It's a sure fire way to keep their interest in the importance of reading, which is perhaps the most important skill for their education!

DIARY – Autumn Term 2019			
November / December		December	
Tue 12 th	5.30 – 7.30 OPEN SCHOOL (Later session – please let us know if you'd like to come).	Mon 16 th	2.00 Year 4 service at St.Peter's Church
Wed 20 th	9.00 Parents' In Partnership – meet the senior leaders – subject: homework	Tue 17 th	2.00 Year 5 service at St.Peter's Church
Dec Weds 11 th	10.00 Year 3 Performance to Parents	Wed 18 th	2.00 Year 6 service at St.Peter's Church
Tues 12 th	6.30 Year 3 Performance to Parents		