

# Herne Flyer 18



Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind – Achieving Every Day

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## Open Library Session For All



In our ever-ambitious mission to improve every child's reading ability, every Thursday from 6<sup>th</sup> February the school library will be open to all children and parents. This will run from 3.30- 4.45pm and a member of staff will be present to help.

Not only will this session be a great opportunity for families to come and enjoy the huge range of books we have available, children will be able to change their library and link books, do their homework, or simply come with their parents to read quietly. Please note this is a session where parents must be present and you must enter through the reception area. You can come for just a short while or for the whole slot, it's up to you!

We look forward to seeing lots of families next week. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us through the school office.

## Daily Readers – Can You Help?

At our Leadership meeting this week, we noted that several support staff had stated that the time they get to listen to children who would benefit from being heard reading everyday was being squeezed by lots of other learning needs. Given the importance the school places on reading, we are keen to seek any additional help to support those children who should have the opportunity to read to an adult, particularly those flagged up as daily readers. **If there are any parents who could come in and listen to a child read between 8.45 and 9.00**, that would be a great help. You don't need to commit to this every day, in fact any extra help would be fantastic. Please return the slip below to express your interest. On our part, the school will be looking at an "adopt a reader" scheme where anyone on the staff of the school (regardless of their role) can get involved to help our children with their reading.



## World Book Day & Readathon

As advanced notice, Herne will be taking part in World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March and getting everyone to dress up as one of their favourite book characters (we know parents appreciate advance warning of dressing up events! 😊) Every penny raised by this special day will go into our Link and main library to buy in more of the books that the children love to read. 😊

## Number Day – Friday February 7<sup>th</sup>

Herne will be celebrating Number Day 2020 by getting everyone in the school to challenge themselves with some super-challenging mathematics. This will be a normal school uniform day, but any money donated for Number Day (which is completely voluntary) will be passed on to the NSPCC to help them protect our most vulnerable children in society.

## Primary Age Children on Social Media



This is a quick reminder to parents that children of primary age are not allowed to access virtually all social media platforms. The minimum age is 13 and in the case of WhatsApp, 16 years old. There is a reason for this, mainly being that younger children can end up being subjected to online bullying or inappropriate content, which is something we have noticed occurring more and more frequently. If you have concerns about this for your child, by all means contact Mr Markham who will be able to give you further advice on the matter in his role as the Senior Designated Safeguarding Officer for the school. Here is a link for parents regarding this issue:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/age-restrictions-social-media-services>

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## I Can Help With Daily Readers!

Parent or Carer's Name (Please Print) : .....

Preferred Year Group: (Please Circle)      **Y3**                      **Y4**                      **Y5**                      **Y6**

Days I Can Help: (Please Circle)              **Mon**                      **Tue**                      **Weds**                      **Thurs**                      **Fri**

Signed: .....

## Small World Week – Repeat Message

At the end of March this year we will be hosting a Small World Week where each year group will learn about a different continent through music, art, geography, PDL and DT. We hope to make this week as interactive and inspiring as possible. With this in mind we were hoping that some parents or other relatives might be able to offer their expertise or skills related to one of the cultures we are studying. This could include, cookery, art, exercise, (yoga, dance etc.) related to the culture or any other inspiring activity that you think the children could learn something from. An example of this might be for learning about Asia doing a yoga session or when learning about Australasia learning the Hakka. Additionally, it might be African Art or cooking South American food.

These are the continents that will be explored:

Year 3	South America
Year 4	Australasia
Year 5	Africa
Year 6	Asia

## Year of the Rat

Tomorrow marks Chinese New Year and, as such, we are flying the Chinese flag on behalf of our families and staff who celebrate this event. If your family has links to another country and would like us to mark events for those other world communities, we'd love to hear from you and make sure we fly the flag from that country too. We are ONE WORLD after all!



## Parking at Hoadlands



We have had a very polite request from our residents who live in the flats on Hoadlands for parents to keep clear of the allocated parking spaces for the flats. One unfortunate incident last week led to some verbal abuse to one of these residents when they had asked someone to move. The school's advice in any anti-social disturbance is that this should be reported as an incident to the local police via 101 if it is an aggressive incident.

## Tissues in School

If your child has a sniffle, cough or a bit of a cold, could you please supply them with a pack or quantity of tissues? Although the school does have boxes of tissues in classes, we are getting through a huge number of boxes, so any help with this will be much appreciated. Thank you.

February		February/March	
Thu 6th	Local Authority Inspection of School 3.30 OPEN SCHOOL – Parents can see children's books 3.30 Bake & Book Sale (see page 3 of today's Flyer!)	Tue 25th	Children back to school.
Fri 7th	'Number Day' – Donations for NSPCC gratefully received! 🤗	Thu 5th	World Book Day – Readathon (details to follow) <b>Dressing up day for children and staff!</b> 3.30-5.30 OPEN SCHOOL – Parents to see children's books
Fri 14th	End of Half-Term. Finish at 3.30pm as normal.	Wed 11th	3.40 onwards - Parents' Evening
Mon 17th	CM Sports at Herne throughout Half-Term	Thu 12th	Yellow – Class & Leavers Photos
Mon 24th	INSET Day at Herne and Petersfield Infants	Tue 17th	3.40 onwards - Parents' Evening
		NB: Note that <b>May Bank Holiday</b> is <b>Friday 8th May</b> (not Monday 4th)	

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# Bake Sale!

**On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020, our bake sale will take place in the hall from 3:30 to 4:30! Ask Edie, Camille or Matilda for more information! If you would like to contribute, then feel free to bake some tasty treats for us to sell! All money raised in the bake sale/book sale goes to Cancer Research UK!**

<https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/donate>

## Book Sale

**We will also be doing a book sale as well so if you have any unwanted books at home then please donate to these to the school. This stall will also be going towards Cancer Research. We hope to see you there!**

