Herne Flyer 1 - Autumn Term 2023

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Herne Junior School

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A Note from Mrs Sayers

Dear Parents and Carers,

I do hope that you have all had a lovely summer break. We're looking forward to meeting and greeting all of the new children and parents to our school next week on **Monday 4**th **September**. With everyone here at the school well rested and prepared for next week, we can't wait to settle the children into their classes with their new teachers.

Sue Sayers (Head Teacher)

New Year 3s

Welcome to our new Year 3 children. We would like parents to drop off their child at the classroom door, where they will be met by the adults who will be working with them. **Drop-off can be anytime between 8.30 and 8.40am**. We will have extra staff deployed outside to point you in the right direction on Monday morning, so don't worry if you're not quite sure where to go. **A reminder that collection in Year 3 will be from the middle playground at 3.30pm**. We can't wait to see you next week! ©



Welcome to New Staff

A big warm welcome to the new members of staff who are joining our family at Herne. Firstly, we have five new class teachers: Natalie Gafford (Fir), Lauren Harris (Palm), Isobel Burrows (Quince) and Vickie Boyns (Oak) and Roz Orchard (Oak). Secondly, we have three new Learning Support Assistants (LSAs): Sammy Irving, Laura Yarr and Amanda Anderson. Finally, we also welcome Judy Chesney into our office team, Judy was previously an LSA at the school.



PE Uniform

Just a reminder regarding PE Uniform days for each year group. Children are to come to school in their PE Uniform on the below stated days.

Year Group	CM Sports Day - Outdoors	PE Day - Indoors
	Starting Tuesday 5th September	Starting in week beginning 11th September
Year 3	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 4	Wednesday	Thursday
Year 5	Wednesday	Tuesday
Year 6	Tuesday	Monday

Simple Pencil Case Information (Repeat Message)

Just a reminder regarding the pencil case your child will require for the new term. Inside this case, they will require colour pencils (6-12 colours), small ruler (6 inch), rubber, pencil sharpener & a glue stick (Herne will provide writing pencils and pens).

The pencil case will need to be small and simple because we want the children to keep it in their tray that is positioned under their desk. (they will stay in school and not come home every day). The first one pictured below is a simple £1.50 pencil case from WHSmith – this is a good size. Please no Smiggle (other brands are available) multi compartment pencil cases, they really need to be single zip and as small as possible (but still able to hold the necessary items). Thank you so much for support with this.











Pocket Dictionaries

Just a reminder that children are allowed to keep their own pocket dictionary in their tray, this is not an essential piece of equipment but we have observed that it helps motivate them with their daily vocabulary work if they have their own copy. They are available from lots of retailers for less than £5. Oxford or Collins are good ones as they need to have 90,000 words. Here is a link to one of these to give you an idea of size and type (£3.74):

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Oxford-English-Mini-Dictionary-

Dictionaries/dp/0199640963/ref=sr 1 1?crid=109YXKURVOLLZ&keywords=oxford+mini+dictionary&qid=1662115035&sprefix=oxford+mini+dictionary+%2Caps%2 C55&sr=8-1

Bags in School

It is vital that areas where children are congregating (i.e. cloakrooms) are not cluttered, so please can all bags be kept to as small a size as possible. Book bags would be ideal or a very small back pack.

Twilight Bookings - ACTION REQUIRED

Please can we remind Twilight parents that they need to book their required sessions on Parentpay in advance. We have over 40 children registered each evening and approximately half of those have not been booked in to the sessions on Parentpay. We will have a two week grace period for parents as we establish this new system. If you completed the form pior to the June deadline then your place is safe for those two weeks.

Note for new parents – you collect your children from the hall or from the playground at the end of your session.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is open every day from 7.15 until 8.30. It is £4 per session. There will be a breakfast snack provided as part of this cost. No need to book. You will be invoiced after attendance. Entrance to Breakfast Club is signposted at the side of the hall. We will be transitioning to a pre-paid online booking system, hopefully over the Christmas break. July invoices were distributed at the end of term. If your invoice has been mislaid, lease pop in to the hall in the morning to request a new copy from Mrs Hall.



Meet the Teachers (Years 4, 5 and 6)

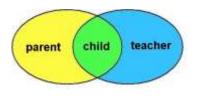
The Year 3 parents had a chance to come into school and meet their child's new class teacher before the summer, but now it is time for the other year groups to have the opportunity to come in and meet their child's new teacher. The teachers will do a very short presentation regarding key information about the year group, then they will be around to answer any questions.



Year 4 - Wednesday 6th September 3.40pm

Year 6 - Monday 11th September 3.40pm

Year 5 – Friday 15th September 3.40pm



They will be held in your child's classroom, so just come round the edge of the school and enter the classroom by the external fire door. The map below should help you find the right room (the blue arrow is the front gate entrance).

