Herne Flyer 3 - Autumn Term 2023



Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind – Achieving Every Day

Herne

Friday 15th September 2023

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A Note from Mrs Sayers

Dear Parents and Carers.

This week we have had some of Year 3 going out to the **Gilbert White House** to do orienteering and learn how to use a compass! They had a wonderful day and we had many comments about the great attitudes they showed towards their learning and their manners! How lovely!

Mrs Armitage, Mr Castle and I went down to Park Community in Leigh Park, to lead the Induction Training for mentors and new **Early Career Teachers**. It was a pleasure and a privilege to be part of the nurturing and training for those new to the profession.

Now that we have assessed the needs of our year groups fully and seen them in their new context, we have been dipping into Learning Support expertise across the school to best support pupils with additional needs and would like to recruit another **Learning Assistant**. Ideally, we would like someone with experience or an interest in Special Needs, particularly Autistic Spectrum but it could also suit someone who would like experience pre Teacher Training or someone who is interested in returning to teaching, perhaps after a career break, in order to gain experience. Do contact the office if you are interested, there is also an advert on eTeach. It could be part time or full time depending on experience.

And Finally...

...my favourite part of the week has definitely been seeing the very lovely, personal, letter from author, **Michael Morpurgo**, to a lovely boy in Year 4 after he wrote to him saying how much he enjoyed his books. It turns out that Mr Morpurgo used to live in Petersfield and may be found shopping there at weekends!!! This will definitely be something framed and on wall for years to come! WOW! Whatever you are up to this weekend, enjoy. I'm doing a garden centre run for shrubs and off to find a dining room table and ceiling lights...in between yoga, food shopping and everything else we try to cram in again when term starts!!! Hope your weekend is more restful!

Many Best Wishes,

Sue Sayers (Head Teacher)



P.S. This week I'm reading, "Curious not Furious" by Alison Rendle and Kit Messenger. A book about "empowering children to take charge of their brains and their behaviour"....sounded interesting and might be useful as a parent or a teacher! Will keep you posted!

P.P.S. **GOOD LUCK** to the 12 children who are representing Herne at the Butser Hill Challenge on Sunday.



OPEN MORNING FOR PROSPECTIVE PARENTS FOR HERNE & TPS

Herne Juniors will be open to prospective parents who are looking to get their children into local primary schools, especially Petersfield Infant School. This event will open with a chat from Mrs Sayers followed by a guided tour of the school by our Year 6 children, for approximately one hour. We are just coordinating our diaries with Petersfield Infant School and we will release the date for our open morning next week.

TPS have their open day on Saturday 23rd September 9am – 1pm.

Love Lane and Hoadlands Parking

After our message in the Flyer last week, we had further issues with parents in front of garages and driveways when collecting their children at the end of the school day. Please be respectful to our neighbours and make sure that this stops. To help this situation, we have teamed up with EHDC to provide **FREE parking permits** for the Festival Hall (these will be available from Monday). They are for parents/carers with children at Herne only or with children at BOTH Herne and Petersfield Infants. See the office staff. This is also the Park & Stride travel to school environmental initiative promoted by HCC.

Meet the Teachers PowerPoints

If you missed the 'Meet the Teachers' events, you can still access the PowerPoints on our website. Click the following link https://www.hernejunior.com/page/?title=Meet+the+Teacher&pid=187



Reading Blog

Mister Bodd is a primary teacher who has a superb reading blog where every month he recommends books, for different primary ages. It is well worth checking it out. https://misterbodd.wordpress.com/no-shelf-control/



Clubs

Like last academic year, we are going to start our clubs (that are run by staff) in October (giving everyone a chance to settle into the new academic year). We will publish a full list of clubs on Friday 22nd September. CM Sports clubs have already started with their football club on a Tuesday afterschool and Netball on a Wednesday after school. You can book your child a place at these clubs by going onto the CM Sports Website.

Inset Days 2024-2025

We can now confirm next academic year's INSET days. We always try to co-ordinate our INSET days with Petersfield Infants School (PIS), but sometimes we have external training which means this is not always possible:

Monday 2nd September 2024 (shared with PIS) - Tuesday 3rd September 2024 (not shared with PIS) Monday 6th January 2025 (shared with PIS) - Thursday 22nd May (not shared with PIS) - Friday 23rd May (shared with PIS)

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

Applications for secondary schools for Hampshire residents are now open. 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 31st October 2023. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered until 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, do read the online guidance about applying for a school place available at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions.



Art Club - The Creation Station "Award winning arts and craft classes"

Every Wednesday after school The Creation Station run an art club for children of all year groups. This term the theme is 'Inspired by Me'. This costs £42 per child per half term or pay monthly and save 10%. Click the link below to book. https://portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/2758

Any questions, please email jowildgust@thecreationstation.co.uk

The Importance of Reading

At Herne, we believe that learning to read is the key skill we want every child to master before they leave us in Year 6. The statistics in the chart opposite show how powerful it is for a child to read for 20 minutes a day and how there is a direct statistical link between the amount a child reads and how they perform in standardised tests. However, it is not just about performing in tests, we passionately want children to have an inert love of reading and to get endless pleasure from discovering a new book. Keep reading everyone ③.

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September			October		
Mon 18th	Oak Class to Selborne	Tues 3 rd	Cedar Class to Planetarium		
Wed 20 th	Willow Class to Selborne	Thurs 5 th	Beech Class to Planetarium		
Fri 22 nd	Individual Pupil Photos	Fri 6 th	Lime and Pear Classes to Butser Ancient		
	Plum and Palm Classes to Butser Ancient Farm				
Mon 25 th	Damson Class to Selborne	Tues 10 th	Rowan Class to Planetarium		
Thur 28 th	Quince Class to Selborne	Thur 12 th	Maple Class to Planetarium		
Fri 29th	Mimosa Class to Selborne	Thur 19 th	Year 4 Saxon vs Viking day		
		Fri 20 th	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING		
		Mon 23 rd –	HALF-TERM		
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