



Friday 8th December 2023

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A big well done to Choir and Orchestra who performed to the local community hospital patients on Thursday and wowed the residents with an incredible performance. Just a reminder that Choir and Orchestra's next performance is on Sunday (between 10am – 11am) at the Christmas Market in town. Please meet Miss Morphew and Miss Burrows in the Square. The children do not need to wear uniform for this event, but they must wrap up warm. If you are in town at the Christmas market, do come along and support our children.



Don't forget next Thursday evening is 'Our Carols Around the Tree' HAFS event. With a special guest appearance from Fleur Ash, who will be performing from 5.30pm. We will be selling Mulled Wine and Hot Chocolate, to keep your hands warm (there might also be some cakes on sale).

A big **thank you** to our wonderful HAFS team for co-ordinating all the special events for the children this week and to everyone who took part, donated and volunteered to help. The children had a fantastic week and the amount we raised will be published very soon. 😊



New Cleaner Needed (20 hours a week)

We have a vacancy for a cleaner to join our friendly team for 4 hours a day, to start in January. The working hours would be 3.30pm – 7:30pm, Monday to Friday. Closing date for applications is 12 noon on Wednesday 3rd January. Interview date 8th January. Application packs are available on the website or via the office. Completed applications should be submitted to Rebecca Loader, School Business Manager at r.loader@hernejunior.com.



Home Link Corner

Earlier this week, I sent an email regarding the various parenting courses that the Family Support Service offer. If you would find any of these beneficial, please contact me for further information.

Sonja Balmer (s.balmer@hernejunior.com) (Home School Link Worker)

New CM Sport Club (Spring Term)

After feedback from School Council and from our parents, we have asked CM Sports to start a new after school club on a Friday (3.40 – 4.40pm). The Multi-Sports Club will focus on a variety of different sports, including: Tag Rugby, Basketball, Hockey, Dodge-ball and more. **Our Friday football club will burst back into action at the end of February, but we are more than happy to hold a child's place at football club if they would like to do this club for the Spring term – then swap back to football for the Summer term (it is likely only to be 4 weeks when both are running).** <https://cmsports.schoolipal.co.uk/clubs/school-clubs> Go to the CM Sports website to book your child's place at this new club.



Violin Lessons

There will be no violin lesson next Tuesday 12th December. Lessons will return on Tues 9th January 2023.

Christmas Lunch

Reminder that HC3S will be serving a traditional Christmas lunch on Thursday 14th December.

No other lunch options will be available that day. If you have not pre-ordered your child a meal, they will need to bring in a packed lunch. If you are not sure if you have ordered, please ask your child to check with their class teacher.



Read, Write Inc.

The final Read, Write Inc. session of the term will be on Tuesday 12th December. The early morning phonics will begin again Wednesday 3rd January 2024.

Social Media

We have had a few incidents in recent weeks where children have been unkind or abusive to each other on social media, and then this has then brought conflict into school. We must remind parents that many of these social media apps have a **minimum age of 13**, including Snapchat and Facebook. WhatsApp has a **minimum age requirement of 16 years**, please refer to this NSPCC article for more information: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/>



Social Media App called '**DISCORD**' is another site that is becoming more popular with children and it is also potentially very dangerous. To find out more information about Discord, please refer to this NSPCC article <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/should-i-let-my-child-use-discord/>. Discord is another app that has a **minimum age of 13**.

Do you need a computer monitor?



Where we have replaced many of our classroom computer monitors, we have a whole collection of standard sized PC monitors that need a home. If you would like to purchase one, or come in and look at them to see if they would be suitable for you, please pop into the office. We were looking for a £10 HAFS donation with every monitor. We have 12 for sale.

COMMUNITY MESSAGE

Petersfield Elf Trail

It's that time of year again, please find attached this year's naughty elf trail map of Petersfield. For those who are new or have forgotten, Hectors Clothing in Petersfield is running the naughty elf trail for the third time this year. It is simply a bit of fun, and serves to entertain the children while out and about in Petersfield in the lead up to Christmas, this year 85 local businesses have donated a small amount to the Rosemary foundation to be a part of the trail. Each naughty elf should be displayed in the windows of the businesses shown on the map attached, the children can spot the elves and tick them off the list.



Petersfield Youth Theatre News - A Musical Christmas

We are transforming the indoor Quad at Bedales into a warm and magical environment full of festive cheer, and we'd love you to join us!. A Musical Christmas is an immersive event, rather than just a show - audiences will be seated on a variety of different chairs and sofas, all grouped around small tables. Drinks will be on sale, and complimentary nibbles & treats will be available to all. Members of Petersfield Youth Theatre will perform a selection of Christmas songs, along with an eight-piece band.
20 – 22 December – Bedales, Steep
Tickets available online and from One Tree Books
For further details, visit our website www.pyt.org.uk

Multiply – Skills of Life Maths Quiz

To celebrate the start of December and the 12 days of Christmas, the Multiply tutors have put together a fun and festive family numeracy quiz for your school community to take part in. Entries opened on 1st December and participants will have up until the closing date of 12th December to submit the form. **One lucky winner will be selected and win a £60 cinema voucher. Deadline is 12th December. Scan the QR code to access the Quiz.** For more information about Multiply please visit www.hants.gov.uk/multiply



December		January	
Mon 11th	Year 6 Church Service 2.00pm St Peter's Church	Tues 2nd	INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING
Tues 12th	Year 4 Church Service 10.00am St Peter's Church Year 5 Church Service 2.00pm St Peter's Church	Wed 3rd	Spring Term Begins at Herne
Wed 13th	Year 3 Christmas Production (email sent)	February	
Thurs 14th	Christmas Lunch Carols around the Tree (5.30pm)	12th – 16th	HALF TERM
Fri 15th	Herne breaks up for Christmas Holidays (12.30pm)		