

# Herne Flyer 35 – Summer Term 2025



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## A Note from our Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers,

I'm starting with another HUGE thanks to everyone behind **Herne Fest**. The Saturday morning exhibition was well attended- it was so lovely to meet pupils from the very first intake at Herne and many ex-staff and community members who started here!

Another busy week at Herne! Year 4 have been enjoying their **swimming lessons** with daily trips to the Lido which has been lovely for them with the recent warm weather.

We have also been visiting PIS as part of our **Induction** visits for the new Year 3 next Year. We will be running 3 classes only due to lower numbers locally. Many schools are reducing their entrance numbers this year as there is a trend over the next 5-7 years due to lower birth rates. It has been a delight to meet the new children and we are very excited to welcome them on Move Up Day.

I'm very sad to say that I have had to pull out from accompanying the **Ironbridge trip with Year 6** due to a significant safeguarding issue which needs to be dealt with back at school next week – I'm gutted but safeguarding must always be our first priority. They have plenty of adults for our ratios so I know they will be well looked after and Mrs Tigwell and Miss Buckle as Senior Leaders are on each site. Good Luck Year 6, it will be very quiet without you!

**And Finally** - whatever you are up to this weekend, enjoy. I'm reading and commenting on reports...only 60 to go! It is a joy to read such wonderful comments by staff about our lovely children.

Best wishes

*Sue Sayers*

**Headteacher**

## Herne Flag competition winner

Congratulations to our Year 3 winner of our 50th anniversary celebratory flag competition. What an amazing flag!



If you are flying abroad this year, please be mindful of any calming aids/fidget toys that are carried in hand luggage. We have been told of a child, this year at Gatwick airport, who was playing with a squashy fidget toy and security removed it and threw it away because they could not positively identify the substance inside. This obviously caused the child extra

stress and dysregulation and created a less positive experience for the start to their family holiday. We believe they can be stored in the suitcases that are kept in the hold. The solid fidget toys, as far as we are aware, are acceptable to be taken on board.

### Sports Day – Monday 14th July 2025

The sports day events will start at 9:30am, so children will begin the day in class, as normal. Please enter the school via the Hoadlands gate from 9am, if you are coming to watch. Please be mindful when parking so that surrounding roads aren't impacted. The Hoadlands gate will be the only entrance/exit to school for sports day.

We aim to finish all events by 12:15/12:30pm. Once all events have been finished, children will return to class, giving the teachers a chance to check everyone is present. Once children have vacated the field, families are free to set up for their picnics. Please remain in spectator areas and do not set up for picnics before this time as you will be asked to return to the designated spectator area.

Children whose families are staying to have a picnic, will be taken back to the field with their LSA, to meet and have lunch with their families, please wait on the field for your child. Unfortunately, we cannot allow children whose families are not staying for the picnic, to join other families, they will eat their lunch with the lunchtime supervisors as normal.

In the week before sports day, children will bring home their 'Sports Day Programme' which will include a detailed site map and your child's starting event.

### Twilight club – Next year – Registration required.

All regular users of Twilight club have been emailed a form to complete the registration process for a place next year. If you haven't received this email and would like a place, please get in touch urgently. The deadline for receiving these forms is 4th July in order for you to get priority places. After this date, available places will be offered to parents/carers of any new enquiries, from either existing Herne pupils or the new Year 3 intake. Thank you.

### Breakfast Club – Next year – Registration required.

From September Breakfast club will be administered by parents via ParentPay. You will no longer be expected to drop in, **but should book and pay for a session in advance. (As late as the evening before the session you need)**. Should a last-minute emergency arise you may, of course, drop your child, but your account will fall into arrears which will need to be cleared to book any future sessions. All parents/ carers have been contacted via email to register with the club and indicate regular sessions required. If you intend to regularly access Breakfast Club, please fill out the form to allow us to appropriately allocate staffing. If you have any queries, please contact the school by telephone if it is urgent or by email to [admin@hernejunior.com](mailto:admin@hernejunior.com) if less urgent.

### Choir Reminder

Please note that Choir has finished for this term.

**Doodle Challenge** From July 1st, Doodle will be inviting children with Doodle accounts to join one or both of their Summer Challenges — the Doodle Maths Challenge and Doodle English Challenge! Follow this link for more information and to get your child set up for 1st July. [Summer Challenge | DoodleLearning](#)

### Book Swap

Herne pupils: If you would like a new book to read, please bring in a book that you would like to swap in readiness for our Book Swap on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> of July in Cherry Class.

**Community News-** please see our community board on our website.

JUNE		JULY	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr.6 Ironbridge leave.	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Yr.6 Ironbridge and Yr.6 Expert Explorers
		Wed 9 <sup>th</sup> of July 12noon to 3.30pm	Year 5 Swimming Gala Petersfield Open Air Pool
		9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> July	HAFs discos: Yrs 4 & 6 and Yrs 3 & 5
		11 <sup>th</sup> of July	Changeover Day
		14 <sup>th</sup> of July	Sports Day
		Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> of July	Last day of term: <b>School closes at 12.30pm</b>