

# Herne Flyer 29 – Summer Term 2025



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## A Note from our Headteacher

Dear Parents & Carers,

Hope your **Bank Holiday** was as lovely as mine. Love a good wedding and an excuse to wear a hat!

Sadly, as I drove away on Friday night, I received 2 emails from very vigilant parents (we are very thankful - reporting safeguarding issues is everyone's responsibility). They were doing their regular check on their child's smartphone use and found shocking posts being sent to/from their children on a messaging site.

As a result, I would urge you to check your child's phone use regularly. We are looking to source some useful training for parents. Thank you to all Yr5 & 6 parents who responded and recognised the danger.

**The lesson to be learned - don't presume you know - check your child's use regularly.**

On a much happier note, there have been wonderful things to celebrate. Some of our pupils were seen on the BBC One Show item reporting about the Scout Association involvement with the wonderful **80th VE Day** celebrations on Sunday. In addition, our Year 4 group dressed in evacuee costumes and took part in the Petersfield Parade on Thursday. I was so proud of them!



This week we've also moved our **Friday celebration assemblies** into the real world by taking them off Zoom...a hang-over from Covid and the fact that our hall isn't big enough!! We will alternate between Years 3 and 5 and Years 4 and 6 each week, to celebrate our children's achievements, in and out of school, together in the hall. This will give teachers time to amass enough relevant awards and share excellent work. In between these events, teachers will share other 'show and tell' opportunities, such as drawings and interesting items, in class weekly, on a Friday when they are not in the hall. The Year 6 Ambassadors will also continue to monitor and award for Tidiest Classrooms and Best Singing!

**And finally**, whatever you are up to this weekend, enjoy. A restful weekend for the Sayers' household methinks...yoga, coffee breaks, Sunday Papers and a catch up on tidying the garden perhaps!

With Best Wishes,

*Sue Sayers*

Mrs. S.M. Sayers  
Headteacher

### Hot weather guidance

We had a brief glimpse of summer last week, and it looks like next week will be sunny and warmer too. Please can you ensure that your child has a water bottle so they may easily stay hydrated. You may also provide sunscreen and hats for protection from the sun. As you discard the warm winter coats, a waterproof, pack a mac might be a good idea to bring for rainy days.

**Twilight Club** Please be aware that we can now offer occasional sessions for Twilight club via ParentPay (in addition to the regular attendees). Every child in the school, is a member of the ADHOC Twilight club on ParentPay and parents/carers may pay for a session and book them in up to a week in advance. This can hopefully help with childcare if something unexpected crops up, or if your child just fancies joining a friend for a bit of play out (in the sunshine) in a safe environment. Snacks and drinks are provided to keep them going.

**School Lunch Change** – Please note that next Wednesday 14th May the kitchen will only be offering the 2 picnic options for lunch choices (Pizza or Tuna wrap) due to limited hall access for the SATs tests.

**Have you lost anything?** Please could you contact the office if your child has lost a blue rucksack.

### Safeguarding concern:

Please can parents inform the office if their child is not attending an afterschool club. Due to safeguarding **this confirmation must come from a parent or guardian**, not from the child.

### Herne's 50th Birthday

As part of our celebrations, we are putting together an exhibit to celebrate Herne's 50th year. As part of this we would like to borrow toys from you and your family that provide an insight into how toys have changed over time. It can be any toys from the past 50 years. from Rubik cubes, cabbage patch dolls, furbies to toys of the modern age. Any type of toy would be greatly appreciated. We understand that old toys hold sentimental value so please be assured they will be used for display only and returned after the event.



Additionally, if anyone has any old red, or grey jumpers with the old Herne logo we would love to add them to the exhibit.

Finally, if you are, or know an ex-pupil and you/ they would like to share "Where you are now?" to contribute to our exhibition please contact [m.armitage@hernejunior.com](mailto:m.armitage@hernejunior.com). We would love to know where pupils have ended up from down the road to Timbuktu. Where ever and whatever you are doing, we would love to hear from you. We thank you in advance.

### Community News

Please see our website under Community News & Advice – There is information on May Half Term Tech Camp, held at Ditcham Park School and Advanced Football Training at TPS.

### Breakfast Church - Sunday 18th May

We would love to invite you to join us at St Mary Magdalen Church on Sunday 18th May for Breakfast Church. With coffee, pastries, family friendly worship, craft activities and a warm welcome, it is a great way to explore church if you've never been before.



There's no need to pre-book or sign up - just turn up, come and get your hot drink and something tasty. For more info on Breakfast Church or all our other services please contact Dom DeBoo ([dom@sheet.church](mailto:dom@sheet.church)) or Rebecca Whelan ([admin@sheet.church](mailto:admin@sheet.church))

		May	
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs Week	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Rainbow Theatre (Yrs. 5 and 6) Rainbow Theatre (Yr. 3)
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Music evening 6pm-8.30pm	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Herne breaks up for half-term 12.30pm finish
26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June Plum	Year 4 Watercress line
16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> June	50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary/Harmony Week	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June Palm	Year 4 Watercress line
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> of June	Herne Fest 2025 3.30-6.30	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June Lime	Year 4 Watercress line
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> of June 3.45pm	Ironbridge meeting	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June- Pear	Year 4 Watercress line
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> of June-3 <sup>rd</sup> of July	Yr.6 Ironbridge and Yr.6 Expert Explorers	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June- 2.15pm	Rock Steady concert
9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> July	HAFs discos: Yrs 4 and 6 and Yrs 3 and 5	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> of July	Last day of term: School closes at 12.30pm