

Herne Flyer 18 – Spring Term 2026

Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind – Achieving Every Day



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Dear Parents & Carers,

Short and sweet this week! It's been relatively quiet!

Well done to everyone who has reported the potholes in Love Lane. We've had an indication that the powers that be are now aware of them. Fingers crossed that repair will be on the way when the weather is drier. On that note, please be careful with the Hoadlands/field entrance end...the huge amount of rain that has fallen has given us our own natural swimming pool! Please be reassured that our site team are looking at solutions.

And Finally... whatever you are up to this weekend, enjoy. I've got the urge to Spring clean!

Best Wishes,

Sue Sayers

Headteacher



P.S. We thought you might enjoy this picture of our Midnight Library, taken by Mrs Tandy. It really is a place you want to visit and read in! I've just finished another recommendation, "There are rivers in the sky," by Elif Shafak...absolutely loved it! Thank you! A Turkish writer who produces quirky novels - all the books are very different but there's history woven into the tale. This one is set in ancient Mesopotamia/modern day Iraq.

Author of the Week – M G Leonard

M.G. Leonard has written a whole host of books for you to get lost in. Her debut novel was the sensational 'Beetle Boy' (which is now a trilogy) before she teamed up with Sam Sedgman and begun the 'Adventures on Trains' series which involves Hal and friends solving a range of mysterious crimes! Her next series was that of The Twitchers: it is detective mystery meets bird watching. Leonard's most recent series is the 'Time Keys'. The protagonist Sim travels through different times in history to solve a new mystery, piecing together different long-hidden clues. With family secrets and villains just around the corner, this is an adventurous series that also teaches its readers a thing or two about history. As well as all of these fantastic chapter books, M. G. Leonard has also written some picture books like 'The Tale of a Toothbrush'. Which will you choose?



Tree Planting – RESCHEDULED DATE



Join us on **Saturday 24th January 2026** anytime between 10am and 3pm to take part in tree planting for a special Miyawaki Forest in the school grounds. (This has been moved from this Saturday 10th January due to frozen ground). The planting has been funded by the South Downs National Park. Miyawaki Forests are a great way to quickly create high density, biodiversity rich ecosystems. Please bring; gardening gloves, a spade, wellies and a wheelbarrow if you can.



School Community Tree Planting
Following a grant from the South Downs National Park we have funding to plant a Miyawaki / Micro Forest in the school grounds.

Join us anytime 10am - 3pm Sat 24 Jan



Year 5 Community Book Swap

Year 5 will be holding their annual community book swap later on in March. If you have any children's books you would like to donate, we would greatly appreciate it. In particular, if you have any children who have recently finished Junior school and would like to donate higher level chapter books that would be wonderful. Please leave donations at the office. Thank you.

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IN-SCHOOL CHILD HEALTH CLINICS

The next date in the school diary for bookable appointments to see the School Nurse is **Thursday February 5th from 9.00am – 12.00pm**. If you have concerns for your child with bedwetting, healthy eating, challenging behaviour or anxiety please contact our Home School Link Worker I.tandy@hernejunior.com to book a half hour appointment. Please note that these slots should not be used as a place to seek advice regarding specific medical conditions.



Headlice

We have been made aware of a case of headlice in Year 6. Please make sure you check your child's hair thoroughly and treat if necessary.



School Meals Ordering System

From **Monday 26th January** all meal orders must be placed online at <https://orders.citrus.online/login>. Please ensure your account is set up and your meals are ordered. If you cannot find your login details, they will have been sent to you from menuSystemSupport@citrus.online. Please check your junk/spam inboxes. **If you have not ordered your child a lunch you will be called to bring in a packed lunch.**

Special Values Winners!

Congratulations to our special values winners for the last two weeks.



Vacancies

As mentioned in last week's flyer due to Mrs Aylings' imminent retirement we are looking for a new Senior Lunchtime Supervisor to start with us after Easter. Details of this vacancy can be found here:

<https://recruitmenthub.education-jobs.org.uk/members/modules/job/detail.php?record=9427>

JANUARY		FEBRUARY	
Saturday 24 th	Tree Planting	Wednesday 11 th	Year 5 Bikeability
Monday 26 th	Cedar class swimming at Churchers	Thursday 12 th	Last day of term – 12.30pm finish
FEBRUARY		Friday 13 th	INSET DAY
Monday 2 nd	Cedar class swimming at Churchers	Half-Term Break Monday 16th to Friday 20th February	
Thursday 5 th	Year 5 Bikeability		
Friday 6 th	Year 5 Bikeability	Monday 23 rd	Cedar class swimming at Churchers
Monday 9 th	Cedar class swimming at Churchers Year 5 Bikeability	Tuesday 24 th	Year 3 Heath Trip – Class TBC
		Wednesday 25 th	Year 3 Heath Trip – Class TBC
Tuesday 10 th	Year 5 Bikeability	Thursday 26 th	Year 3 Heath Trip – Class TBC

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