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Finding Your Child's Class and Teacher at Herne Junior School 2018 – 2019

We hope this map is useful to you if you need to come along to meet teachers or locate your child at the end of the day. Parents and visitors are not allowed past PALM CLASS around the back of the school for safety reasons. Please come to the foyer at the front of school to speak to the office before proceeding to classes unless there is an alternative arrangement. Thank you for your help with this.



Year 3

Mrs Garforth* and Mrs Lee* (Fir), Miss Ashton (Ash), Mr Andrews (Elm) & Mrs Hanney (Oak)

Year 4

Miss Edmondson * (Plum), Mrs Knight (Pear), Mrs Clack (Palm) & Mr Jones (Lime)

Year 5

Mrs Meckiffe* (Cedar), Miss Gore (Rowan), Miss Morphew (Beech) & Mr Choularton (Maple)

Year 6

Mrs Hepworth* (Mimosa), Mrs Marlow and Mrs Castle (Damson), Mrs Tigwell (Willow), Mr Zenklusen (Quince) & Miss Buckle (Mrs Burgess and Mr Castle – Autumn term) (Cherry)

* = Year Leader

EARLY FINISH REGISTRATION PROTOCOL

As our annual review of policies begins in earnest, we would like to draw your attention to an amendment to our Attendance Policy regarding the last day of each term, when we finish a little earlier. The school usually closes at 12.30pm on these days. The reason for this is due to the statutory amount of curriculum time we have to give to children at Key Stage 2. Herne has always provided more time than legally required, so the small measure of redressing this imbalance is to finish earlier on the three 'end-of-term days' each academic year. On these days, children will be registered at 8.50am and at 12pm. If your child is absent on this day, they will be recorded as having missed two sessions. This means that any full week unauthorised absence will be recorded as 10 unauthorised sessions. Therefore, if no satisfactory explanation can be provided for the absence, parents will be liable for a Penalty Notice from the Local Authority for unauthorised absence. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter. All schools in England are now required to follow this approach to unauthorised absence. If you are in any doubt about your child being out of school in term time, please speak to us in the first instance and as soon as you know of the possibility of an absence. Thank you.

Attendance & Lateness

Attendance and lateness are monitored regularly. Our aim is for at least 95+% attendance for all our pupils and consider attendance under 90% to be a concern. Arriving at school on time is just as important. Class registers are taken at 8.50am. All minutes late are recorded on your child's record. Please make sure that you send your child in everyday unless they are unwell. We will always inform you if your child becomes unwell at school. Please leave a message on the School's absence line when your child is unwell. We have to record the day as unauthorised if we do not hear from you. Please try and book all medical appointments during school holidays or after school where possible. Finally, holidays cannot be authorised during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Requests must be made using the appropriate form which can be found in our Reception area. Please note that any unauthorised absences or persistent lateness may result in parents being issued with a Penalty Notice which could lead to a fine from the Local Authority.



Park & Stride Scheme: Permits



We have now renewed the parking permits for parents and carers to use to park in the Love Lane car park near the football club and in the Festival Hall car park. This permit is FREE and gives parents time to walk from the car park to the school and back. There are two types of permit: one for junior school parents only and another for parents who have a child at the infant school. This joint permit allows parents a little extra time for parking due to the pick-up from two schools. We are grateful to East Hants District Council for supporting this scheme and it really helps to keep the traffic from the school's local roads, as well as the added health benefits that come with walking to school.

Drop Off First Thing in the Mornings

Supervision at Herne is very important to us and we have an arrangement to supervise children from 8.30am onwards. We are increasingly getting scores of children turning up well before this time and this is a huge risk to the safety of the children who are here before they should be. If parents need to drop off early, please use our Breakfast Club, which is a facility run by the school as a not-for-profit set-up costing £3 a session (including breakfast). Children who arrive too early will be noted and we will be in touch with families to resolve the situation in order to safeguard the children. We hope you understand.

Homework Policy Review

Parents and carers may be pleased to know that we have listened to your feedback about the larger homework projects that have involved 'making things'. As much as some families love this kind of thing, there are many other families that find these projects time-consuming (on top of the normal homework expectations) or don't have the materials, time or expertise to create a masterpiece of engineering! We have now asked year teams to keep these type of projects down to a maximum of TWO A YEAR. This means that those who love this sort of thing can still do their thing and others who find it a struggle, don't worry...we understand!



Parent Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a parent to join our Governing Body and would welcome applications from any parent who has an interest in our school. A governor helps to set the strategic direction of the school and calls the leadership to account for the performance of the school. It is a really interesting and varied role that would require some time commitment for attending meetings, usually from 5.15pm onwards. There are also opportunities to see at first hand the inner workings of your child's school and, where appropriate, to influence what we do. We are particularly looking for parents who may have a financial background or interest, especially in the light of the budget challenges ahead. If you would like to find out more, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Clubs List – Autumn 2018

Please see the list of clubs on Page 4 of today's Flyer. Any questions, please call the school or pop in. Thank you.

Twilight Club Now meet in Y3 classes after school:

Monday: Oak Class, Tuesday: Ash Class, Wednesday & Thursday: Fir Class, Friday: Elm Class

Art Club

We are delighted to offer a brand new after school Art Club at Herne. The club will be held on Wednesdays from 3.30pm – 4.30pm and will be run by Vicki Ostensen. As well as being a parent, Vicki trained at the Slade School of Art and Bristol Old Vic Theatre School, and now runs Treefrog Art, designing and delivering creative projects and courses for all! Using a huge variety of materials, the children will work individually and collaboratively, exploring all kinds of ways to be creative. From paint to pens, paper to fabric, dyeing to doodling..... Drawing will also be an important part of the club, and children will all be given a sketchbook and encouraged to fill it! The club will start on Wednesday 3rd October and will run for 10 weeks. There will be 8 spaces available, which will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. The price is £7.50 per session, and children will need to sign up for all 10 weeks. If your child would like to attend, please email Vicki at vickiostensen@gmail.com.



School Photographer & Tina Allingham Photoshoot

Yellow will be attending school on Friday 21st September to take the children's individual pictures. Also, the FoH project of the Tina Allingham photoshoot is nearly fully booked for Sunday 14th October!

House Captains

On Wednesday 19th September, the children have their first house meetings of the year and the focus of this meeting will be to **vote for our new House Captains and Vice-House Captains**. We know lots of our Year 6 children have been working very hard on their speeches and we wish them all lots of luck as they attempt to persuade their house that they are the best candidate for the job. *Don't forget your speeches for Wednesday, Year 6!*



Herne – A World Community in Petersfield Flying International Flags



Parents, carers and children may have noticed that we flew the Stars and Stripes flag from the USA this week as a commemoration to the awful events of 9/11 (11th September 2001). We like to fly different flags from across the world in tribute to children and families in our school who have a heritage from different places. We think it's really important for the children to understand that we are all GLOBAL CITIZENS. We will be looking through the 470 children's records and then checking to see if we have the flag from their country of birth or from the country of birth of their parents. If you would like to get in touch to tell us about your heritage, please contact Mr Markham. Thank you.

Thank you! (Fairtrade Fundraiser – Pop-up café)

Thank you so much to everyone who supported the Fairtrade pop-up café back in July. So many of you got those aprons on and baked some delicious treats or came along and enjoyed them! It was a huge success and we **raised over £240** to support the Fairtrade Foundation. Thank you again for your ongoing support with these important fundraisers.

FitzRoy – Our Local National Charity

Join local charity FitzRoy for an exciting James Bond-inspired evening of casino games, cocktails, music and dancing. The event will be held at Churcher's College in Petersfield on Friday 28th September from 7.30pm. Tickets are just £25 and include a glass of prosecco on arrival & hors d'oeuvres. All funds raised will go towards transforming the lives of people with learning difficulties and autism. For Herne parents, if you buy 4 tickets you'll get a 5th ticket FREE! To find out more visit: www.fitzroy.org/casino-royale or call 01730 711107. Mr Markham is running the Richmond Half-Marathon this Sunday and instead of getting sponsorship, he would love parents to support the Casino Royale event if they can. The school will Tweet the flyer for this event next week!

School Lunch 'Celebrating British Food' on Wednesday 26th September.

Please note, this is the only Menu choice for this day: Sausage Grill or Cheese & Tomato pasty & chips served with seasonal British vegetables. Pudding is Yoghurt Cup Cake or Fresh Fruit or New Forest Ice Cream. If you do not want to opt into this meal, please bring along a packed lunch. Thank you.

ParentPay for Year 3 Parents

Currently the IT software in the kitchen is not connecting to ParentPay and deducting dinner and snack charges from your accounts. We are hoping Cunninghams will have this rectified as soon as possible and your balances will be corrected in due course.

Friends of Herne Messages

Our next Bag2School collection is Thursday 11th October at 9am. Please help raise funds for the school by donating clothing, soft toys, paired shoes, hats scarves gloves etc. in a watertight bag and dropping them off in the lost property cupboard opposite the Herne hideout in collection the week. We get paid by weight so every little helps. No school uniform please. Thank you for help.



The first Friends of Herne Committee meeting will take place on **Thursday 8th November at 3.30pm**. This will be a chance to help plan events for the rest of the academic year, so if you think you've got some great ideas for fundraising, please come along. In the meantime, there is a school Halloween Disco arranged for the end of October, so if you'd like to get involved, please put yourself forward to volunteer to help. Naomi Dodd is the Chair of FoH and she can be contacted on naomi.dodd@hotmail.co.uk

DIARY DATES: Here are the key dates for the start of this term. Parents' Evenings will be in October and will be published next week.

DIARY – Autumn Term 2018			
September		October	
Tue 18 th	3.40 Year 4 Parents Meet the Teachers	Thu 4 th	OPEN SCHOOL – come and see your child's books in classes.
Wed 19 th	11.15 Y6 House Captain Speeches 3.40 Year 6 Parents Meet the Teachers	Tue 9 th	OPEN MORNING alongside Petersfield Infants. This is for prospective parents.
Fri 21 st	9.00 Individual School Photos (whole school)	Sun 14 th	Tina Allingham photoshoot.
Fri 28 th	Mr Markham to Downing Street to insist on more money for Hampshire schools – more to follow...	Fri 19 th	Finish at 3.30pm for HALF-TERM

HERNE JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUBS: Autumn 2018

Club	Day		Contact	Cost & other details
Construction Club (lego, airfix..etc) (Year 3 and 4)	Monday	Lunchtime	Mr Markham	See Mr Markham (HT office) to register interest from Monday 17 th Sep. Club starts on 24 th September.
Allotment Club (Upper School)	Monday	Lunchtime	Mr Castle	See Mr Castle (DHT Office) to register interest.
Mindful Colouring (Year 3)	Monday	Lunchtime	Mrs Castle	See Mrs Castle (Damson Class) to sign up
Violin	Monday	1.30 – 3.00pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher: Mrs Moore - £80.00 per term.
Film Club (Lower School only)	Monday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mr Zenklusen	Please get a letter from the office. Starting on the 24 th Sept.
Gymnastics Club (Yr 5/6)	Monday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Miss Edmondson	See Miss Edmondson (Plum) to join – a message will come to each class.
Top Trumps (Y3 – 4)	Tuesday	Lunchtime	Miss Hanney	See Miss Hanney (Oak) to register.
ABPE Netball (Y3-6)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School Clubs page of our website	£30 for half term Autumn 1 £40 for full term Autumn 2 £63 full Autumn term
Karate	Tuesday	After School 3.30 - 4.30	SAMA Karate 02392 251626	Open to all on a pay as you go basis; please ring for costs £5 p/w.
Bake off club (Yr5-6)	Tuesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mrs Hepworth and Mrs Burgess	See either teacher to register interest (£1 a week to cover cost of ingredients).
Cross Country	Wednesday	Lunchtime	Mrs Knight and Mrs Roberts	See Mrs Knight to sign up (all welcome).
Piano	Wednesday	12.50 – 3.10pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher: Mr Thompson - £90.00 per term.
ABPE Dodgeball (Y5-6)	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School Clubs page of our website	£30 for half term Autumn 1 £40 for full term Autumn 2 £63 full Autumn term
ABPE Football (Y3-4)	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Link to letters on the School Clubs page of our website	£30 for half term Autumn 1 £40 for full term Autumn 2 £63 full Autumn term
Art Club	Wednesday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Email Mrs Ostensen to register interest. (vickiostensen@gmail.com)	£7.50 per session for 10 sessions (you must sign up for all 10 sessions).
German	Monday	Lunchtime	Mrs Brooks and Mrs Elliot-Smith	See Mrs Brooks (Mimosa) to join.
Brass	Thursday	1.30 – 3.30pm	Mrs Peacock (to be put on the waiting list)	Teacher Mr Thomas - £80 per term.
Orchestra	Thursday	After School 3.30 – 4.15	Mr Thomas via Mrs Peacock	Open to those who have music tuition with Hampshire Music Service in the school.
Sewing Club (Y5)	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Meckiffe and Mrs Tong	Year 5 only. See Mrs Meckiffe (Beech) to register interest. Starting after half-term.
Amateur Naturalists (Yr4-6)	Friday (Every other)	Lunchtime	Miss Gore	See Miss Gore (Rowan) to register interest – with a piece of nature artwork created with any medium.
Choir	Friday	Lunchtime	Miss Morphew and Mrs Clack	Starting 5 th October. Everyone welcome. A reminder will come round to every class on each Friday to remind the children.
Allotment Club (Lower School)	Friday	Lunchtime	Mrs Armitage	See Mrs Armitage to register interest (a note will come round to every class).
Herne Football Squad (Upper School Boys and Y4-6 Girls)	Friday	After School 3.30 – 4.30	Mr Choularton, Mr Andrews, Mrs Butcher, Mr Sherwood, Mr Jones and Mr Castle	Children are invited through trials. Starting on the 21 st Sept.
Rock Steady	Friday	Afternoon	External Company	https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/ see their website to book a place.

BUTSER HILL CHALLENGE: Please sign up online for Sunday's race (Sep 16th) by clicking on www.butser.org

Miss Edmondson will be at the event from approximately 8.30am onwards to help children who signed up.