



Knowing Every Child – Inspiring Every Mind – Achieving Every Day

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Walk to School Week

During the week of **20th May - 24th May**, Herne will be promoting, '**Walk to School Week**' in order to encourage children not only be more active but to become more road aware, reduce congestion at the school gate and of course be more environmentally friendly.

During this week, we encourage children (and parents) to walk/scooter or cycle to school as much as they can and children will be awarded certificates at the end of the week for making extra efforts.

Whilst we hope as many parents as possible leave their cars at home, we appreciate that many cannot avoid driving. To include as many children as possible, we would encourage these parents to park and stride - park safely away from the school and walk the remaining distance. This week is a perfect opportunity for parents to discuss the green cross code with their children as well as promoting the health and environmental benefits of walking to school. The class in each year group who record the most walk/cycle/scooter journeys will get rewarded with a bonus afternoon break. For more information, see the poster on page 2.

School Photograph Orders

Please be advised if you have NOT yet placed your School Photograph order, the order closing date is Tuesday 7 May. Please either return your Order to the School or visit www.smileYellow.com using the passwords on the Proofcard.



Forest School Fundraiser Non-school uniform – Be inspired by nature!

We have some very exciting news regarding Forest School at Herne. In the academic year 2024-2025 all children at Herne will take part in 8-9 weeks of Forest School during the school day, led by one of our three qualified Forest School teachers. With this in mind, on **Wednesday 26th June** we will be raising money to help us fund a shelter/shed for welly boots and waterproof storage. We need all the pennies and pounds we can to make sure we have this important resource to support the successful running of Forest School at Herne. Our aim is to raise a whopping £1,000! In exchange for a donation (whatever you can afford) we are asking the children to please come to school on **Wednesday 26th June dressed in an outfit inspired by nature**. This might look like, brown trousers with a green t-shirt and leaves in your hair, a colourful outfit with wings, your favourite comfy clothes for exploring outdoors, a magnifying glass and outdoor hat, full camo... the options are endless! **We don't want anyone to feel they need to spend money on buying new clothes or fancy dress items** so we hope the ideas above have been useful. If you need any support with this please do let us know. In the meantime get looking through those wardrobes; we look forward to seeing all the wonderfully creative outfits you come up with!

We will also be placing a box outside of school, under the shelter, for any old welly boots or waterproofs that you no longer need. Please make sure if you do donate wellingtons or waterproofs that they are still in working order (e.g. no holes in wellies). Thank you so much in advance for all your support with this!

The Forest school Team x



Help needed for our Forest School area.

Our Herne Forest School area has had quite a bit of use this year and is in need of some TLC, ready for September. On Thursday 30th May (during the May half term), we will be here and would love some willing volunteers to help us! We have already had a few kind parents offering to help. More details to follow nearer the time. Please email: s.balmer@hernejunior.com for further information.



Job Opportunities

We have had three exciting job opportunities open up at Herne:

Receptionist and Admin Assistant
 Learning Support Assistant including lunchtime supervision
 HLTA/NVQ Level 4 PPA Cover

Please go onto our website to find out more details.

<https://www.hernejunior.com/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=62>



Do you recognise these lovely walking boots?

These walking boots were left at Avon Tyrrell and after taking them around the Year 5 classes, we still have not managed to find the owner. Please pop into the school office if you think they are yours. They are size 4.

Walk to School Week 2024

Your school is supporting 'WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK' Monday 20 May – Friday 24 May

How can I help?

- Walk with your child and discuss potential hazards such as driveways, junctions, parked cars and bends
- Work out together the safest route even if this involves a slightly longer journey
- Let your child suggest places to cross and discuss their choice
- Practice the green cross code on your way to and from school – reminding them to stop, look, listen and think

I don't have time to walk!

- Park the car some way from the school gates and walk the last part of the journey
- Try to find time to walk with them once during the week
- Your child will qualify for a certificate if either option is taken

What are the advantages of walking?

- The chance to teach important road safety skills which cannot be taught in a car
- The chance to learn about the local environment
- A chance for a chat about the day
- Less congestion at the school gate
- A healthier way to start the day

Hampshire County Council

May		June	
Mon 6th	BANK HOLIDAY – May Day	Mon 3rd	INSET Day
Tues 7th	Open School (3.30 – 4.30)	Fri 7th	Father's Day gifts home
Mon 13th	SATS Week	Fri 14th	HerneFest
Fri 17th	HAFs Happy Hamper Non-Uniform Day	Tues 18th	Year 6 Ironbridge Meeting
Wed 22nd	Rainbow Theatre (Year 5 am) Year 6 Victorian Day and Rainbow Theatre (pm) Lisa James (Abri Housing) support in finding a job (9.30am) HAFs Happy Hamper winners announced	Wed 19th	Summer Disco (Years 3 and 6)
Thurs 23rd	Rainbow Theatre (Year 3)	Thurs 20th	Summer Disco (Years 4 and 5)
Mon 27th – Fri 31	HALF TERM (Thursday 30 th Forest School Ground Force Day)	Wed 26th	Forest School Fundraiser Day – non school uniform Coffee/Open morning for Year 6 parents with Welfare Manager and SENDCO from TPS in 9.30am.
<p>DON'T FORGET MONDAY 6th MAY IS A BANK HOLIDAY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING THE CHILDREN BACK ON TUESDAY 7th MAY!</p>		July	
		Mon 1 st – Fri 5 th	Ironbridge (Year 6 residential)
		Tues 2nd	Swimming Gala (Year 5) – times to be confirmed
		Fri 12 th	Changeover Day (inc. TPS Transition day)
		Mon 15th	Sports Day 9.15 – 11.45 (followed by picnic with parents)
Mon 22nd	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 7-9pm		