



# Herne Bay Infant School

## NEWSLETTER



DATE: 17 March 2017

<p><b>Monday 20 March</b> E-Safety Workshop KS1 PTA – Mother’s Day Shop</p> <p><b>Tuesday 21 March</b> E-Safety Workshop KS1 PTA – Mother’s Day Shop</p> <p><b>Wednesday 22 March</b> Year 1 Parents Phonics Open Morning 8.40am-9.00am Year 1 Parents Phonics Workshop 2.30pm PTA – Mother’s Day Shop Parents in for dinner ‘Dazzle Day’ Afternoon (Connector)</p> <p><b>Thursday 23 March</b> ‘Dazzle Day’ Year 2 Parents in at 2.30pm PTA – Mother’s Day Shop</p> <p><b>Friday 24 March</b> Zebra Assembly ‘Dazzle Day’ Mother’s Day Event from 2.15pm Red Nose Day – Bad hair day.</p>	<p><b>AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday</b> – Basketball Art</p> <p><b>Wednesday</b> – Dance Clay Work Yoga and Mindfulness</p> <p><b>Thursday</b> – 4 Square Games Paperwork</p> <p><b>Friday</b> – Cricket</p>
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### Class of the Week

This week our ‘Class of the Week’ is Monkey Class for excellent behaviour for learning with all their grown-ups.



### Stars of the Week

Each week the class teacher will award the ‘Star of the Week’ based upon pupils demonstrating examples of our school values. This week’s Stars are:-

Class	Name	Value	Reason
Parrot	Toby	Kindness	For supporting children who are having a tough time
Monkey	Harold	Co-operation	Always co-operating with his teachers and peers.
Tiger	Archie	Perseverance	For persevering with his learning.
Zebra	Mia	Perseverance	For persevering with her maths, well done!
Bee	Lisa	Perseverance	For trying her best in lessons.
Butterfly	Teddy	Acting Responsibly	Representing our school at the Infant agility competition
Dragonfly	Ella-May	Excellent co-operation	For being a really good team player
Ladybird	Summer	Good co-operation	When working with a partner in maths.

## **Lunchtime Award**

These are awarded to children by the lunchtime supervisors for keeping the school values whilst eating.

This week's awards go to Destiny from Ladybird Class for good behaviour nominated by Mrs Glover; Tulisa from Parrot Class for being a good friend; nominated by Mrs Swain and Laura from Zebra Class for being helpful; nominated by Mrs Wilds.



## **Staying Safe**

Following the incident last week outside of the school, we would like to inform you that the Police have since been in speaking to children about staying safe in assembly.

## **Recycling Materials**

If you have any recycling materials at home, please bring them in for our junk modelling.

## **Year 1 visit to the Park**

On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March, all of Year 1 are visiting the park to look for signs of spring. If you can volunteer to help with the trip, please speak to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

## **After School Club – Term 5(April 2017)**

The children will be bringing home the list for the After School Clubs running in Term 5. Please can you complete and return the slip by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March.

## **Mother's Day Shop 20th-23rd March**

Please send your child in with a named envelope containing spending money stating who they are buying for and how much you wish them to spend. The envelopes are to be handed in to the class teacher.

Also, please note that the Kent Messenger supplement with the Mother's Day posters is due out next week. Keep an eye out to see if your child's poster is in there!

## **Mother's Day Event Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

Ladies are invited for tea and biscuits in the hall at 2.15pm on Friday followed by an opportunity to do art with their child.

## **Easter Egg Colouring Competition**

Children will be able to enter a competition to design their own Easter egg. The cost to enter will be £1 and there will be a prize for each year group including one for Nursery. A blank template will be put into Book bags, so please keep an eye out. The closing date will be Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March.



### **PTA Quiz Night**

The PTA quiz night will be held on 20th May 2017, costing £6.50 per person including supper (possibly a plough mans or fish and chips!).

### **Scholastic Book Club**

Our new **Scholastic Book Club is up and running!** Go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/herne-bay> to browse the latest books and order online. For **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards.

Please place your **order online by March 24th, 2017.**

### **New Reading Books**

Just to remind you that we are very excited to have some new reading books that will be in classes to take home and to read during Rich Reading sessions in class. There will be stories that will appeal to all children, ranging from exciting space adventures to traditional stories and fascinating non-fiction books. We hope you will enjoy reading these books with your child and remember to return them in their book bags.

### **Breakfast Club Doorbell**

Please note that drop off for the Breakfast Club is between 8am and 8.10am. If you are late dropping off you can use the bell to alert staff. However, please can we remind parents who are dropping off children normal time to stop their children from pressing the bell unnecessarily. Thank you for your co-operation.

### **Playground Equipment**

Please could parents not walk on the play equipment in the School Playground, or sit on staff cars in the car park. Thank you.

### **Scooters**

It has come to our attention that scooters are being used by children on the school premises. Please can we remind parents that this is not permitted. When outside of the premises please be mindful of others. Thank you.

### **Sainsbury's Vouchers**



Just a reminder that we now have a collection box for the Sainsbury's Activity Vouchers in reception if you would like to donate to the school. Many thanks for your generosity.

### **New Members of Staff**

We would like to welcome Deborah Shilling who has joined our MDS Team this week.



### **'Sporty Clothes' Non Uniform Day Friday 10th March**

Mrs Stanley from Octopus Class would like to thank everyone for their kind donations and supporting her in running The Reading Half Marathon in aid of Diabetes UK. The total raised is £215.67. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Office Hours**

Just a reminder that the School Office is open from 8.30am until 3.30pm and parents should make arrangements to pick up their children by 3.10pm each day. With regards to after school clubs, please be aware that any messages left after 3.30pm on the answerphone won't be picked up until the following day.



## School Council Minutes 13 March 2017

The School Council members talked about what parliament is, how it makes important decisions for the country.

Mr Bourton explained that when we go to the School Parliament, we will be debating behaviours in school. We will talk about playtimes, lunchtimes, discussing if homework is a good idea or not, behaviour in class as well as other things. We will look at the good behaviours and poor behaviours. Mr Bourton explained that the councillors will have a chance to voice their opinion and also share with the other schools all our good ideas from our school. Mrs Lax mentioned how our council suggested that we have music in the playground and this is a good idea which can be shared.

Mr Bourton explained that there will be videos to watch, we have made a video in the dining hall to show good and poor behaviour.

Mr Bourton mentioned that there will be older children as well, but everyone will have a chance to speak.

Doug (Zebra Class) mentioned that not all School Council were in the video.

Mrs Lax explained that there will be photographs taken on the day so everyone will have a chance to be a star, even if they were not in our video.

Mrs Lax said that everyone needs to do good listening, just as they are today.

Mr Bourton will send a letter home so you can think about the parliament and what will be discussed on the day.

Mrs Lax introduced Rebecca, Sarah, Ian and Hannah from the Canterbury City Council, who look after Canterbury, Herne Bay and Whitstable play parks. They want to make Burton Fields even better and Mrs Lax asked the children for some fun ideas for a new playground.

Rebecca asked the councillors to look at two suggested play designs and discuss what they liked about them as well as what else might be good.

Rebecca said that the new playground will be open in the summer just before the school holidays, and invited the councillors to go along with the Junior School councillors to test out the new playground before it was officially opened.

The children viewed the plans and gave fabulous feedback. They each filled out an evaluation form.