



Herne Bay Infant School

NEWSLETTER



DATE: 01 December 2017

Dates to remember:

PTA Christmas Shop 4th – 8th December

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- **Year R Nativity**
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Coming soon:

Year R Sing around the Tree Thursday 14th December at 2.30pm

Christmas Church Service Wednesday 20th December at Christ Church 9.30am

After School Clubs Term 2

Monday	Xmas Art Club	06.11.17-11.12.17
	Football	06.11.17-11.12.17
Tuesday	Archery	07.11.17-12.12.17
	Film	07.11.17-12.12.17
Wednesday	Hockey	08.11.17-13.12.17
	Xmas Clay Club	08.11.17-13.12.17
Thursday	Ipads and Bee Bops	09.11.17-14.12.17
	Dodgeball	09.11.17-14.12.17
Friday	No clubs	



We are now on Twitter! Please follow us: @HBInfantSchool
For dates / events keep an eye on our website: herne-bay.kent.sch.uk



Class of the Week

This week our 'Class of the Week' is Zebra Class for working well together.

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	Edward B	Learning	Recognising and ordering numbers in Maths.
Monkey	Isla C	Perseverance	Managing distractions to persevere with her learning
Tiger	Jessica K	Learning	Good understanding of addition and subtraction in Maths
Zebra	Frankie-Blue	Learning	For applying his learning in working out number sentences.
Bee	Milo	Learning	For asking lots of questions about his learning.
Butterfly	Harvey A	Kindness	For being a very kind friend
Dragonfly	Evie E	Learning	For her amazing acting skills
Ladybird	Reuben L	Learning	For making great progress in his reading

Lunchtime Award

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

This week's awards go to Louis from Bee Class for always finishing his dinner and for being polite: nominated by Mrs Wild, Savannah from Ladybird Class for lovely behaviour; nominated by Mrs Swain, Billy from Zebra Class for lovely behaviour; nominated by Mrs Glover, Dino from Ladybird Class for lovely manners: nominated by Mrs Beckett and Vinnie from Ladybird for always saying please and thank you: nominated by Mrs Beckett.



PTA Christmas Shop

Our PTA Christmas shop will be open from Monday 4th December until Friday 8th December. If you would like your child to buy a present please send money, in an envelope, with the following information, clearly stating, who the present is for and how much you wish to spend. As stock is limited please send in your money as early as possible. Thank you.

PTA Christmas Year 2 Disco

Just a reminder that the PTA are hosting a Christmas Disco for our Year 2 Children on Monday 11th December from 5.15pm until 6pm. A letter has already gone out in book bags, and if you would like your child attend please complete the form on the letter and attach £2 and return it to the school as soon as possible.

Christmas Dinner

This year our Christmas Dinner will be on Wednesday 13th December. For anyone that usually has a packed lunch but would like a Christmas Dinner, please complete a form (available from the office) and return no later than Thursday 7th December.



Church Service and End of Term

Our church service to celebrate both Christmas and the end of term will be on **Wednesday 20th December 2017 at 09.30 am**. We hope you are able to join us for our service and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Lunchtime Buddies Scheme

The Lunchtime Buddies Scheme has now started. This is a scheme where two children from each Year 2 class will be selected by their Class Teachers every Friday. This is to help promote positive play, through encouraging children to join activities or try something new whilst role modelling out school values, such as, Kind Hands, Cooperation, Perseverance and Responsibility.

Some of their duties will include noticing children on their own and being proactive in encouraging them to try and engage in an activity, or use the friendship bench for a chat etc. At the end of lunchtime they will also assist in tidying up their designated areas. The children will be fully briefed beforehand and feedback from those involved will be sought on how they felt it went and how we can improve.

As a reward for all their hard work, buddies will receive a certificate during Friday's assembly presented by Mrs Lax.

Last week's buddies were: Miley C, Harvey A, Brooklyn M, Riley M-K, Uxia B-D, Lily M-M, Douglas W, Ashton C-M AND Jude B.

Year R Nativity Play



Year R will be performing their Nativity Play next week on the following dates and times:

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Farewell

This week we say goodbye to Georgie Edwards, School Business Manager. We wish her all the best for her future.

Job Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a part time Business Manager. If you are interested, further details can be found on Kent Teach, Reference number: KCC886-2263-158S. The closing date is 8th December 2017.

<https://www.kent-teach.com/Recruitment/Vacancy/VacancyDetails.aspx?VacancyId=56934>

Food Bank



Serving Canterbury, Whitstable,
Herne Bay and villages

The Food Bank are short of these items:

Long life whole milk (Blue)

Long life fruit juice

Cup-a-soups (4 pack)

Jam (320g jar)

Peas (400g tin)

Potatoes (500g tin or Mash)

Carrots (200g tin)

Instant mashed potato e.g. Smash

It would also be amazing if you could send in any Christmas items, e.g. Christmas puddings, biscuits, tins/packets of sweets or chocolates. Or any other items you think would be appreciated at this time of year.

Just check the use by date.

These items can be sent in to the school office or via your child's class teacher.

Abbie's Army

Just to let you know that Abbie's Army Charity Box has been returned to the office following the Poppy Appeal.

Abbie's Army is a charity that supports children's DIPG Brain Tumour Research. For obvious reasons this charity is very close to our hearts and we have a collecting box in reception should you wish to donate. There are wristbands and pins supporting the charity in return for a donation. Our collecting box is personalised with a lovely photograph of Eva on.

School Admissions Year 3 & Reception September 2018

Year 2: Even though your child has just started in Year 2 it is time to think about them moving into Year 3 at Junior School. The online application process opened on Monday 6th November and you are now able to apply for the school. Herne Bay Juniors have asked us to invite you to their Open Morning on Thursday 7th December at 9am; please be aware this session is for adults only.

Reception September 2018: Do you have a child born between 1 Sept 2013 & 31 August 2014? They will be due to start school next September and so you will need to make an online application. You are welcome to come along to one of our Open Days, dates on the calendar/website.

Applications need to be made before 15 January 2018: kent.gov.uk/primaryadmissions

Late Arrivals - Rewarding punctuality



Punctuality is a lifelong skill, one we want to reward and encourage.

This term we will trial a celebration of punctuality. On Fridays, every class that has got 100% punctuality for the whole week will be entered into a draw, and the class that is pulled out of the hat will be allowed to wear **non-school uniform the following Friday**. Punctuality has a huge effect on the day; children arriving late are more likely to feel unsettled, out of sync with their class as well as missing out on targeted learning.



Punctuality Award

Congratulations to Monkey Class who can come into school in their own clothes on Friday 8th December. Well done Parents for all being on time.

The challenge this week is to see which classes manage to have everyone in on time.



Recycling

Just a reminder that we have clothes, battery and ink cartridge recycling bins at our school. Please help us show our children how to care for our planet by recycling where we can. We do receive a financial reward for this so please support us.



Thank you

This is a section in the Newsletter which gives us the opportunity to say thank you and show our appreciation.

Thank you to Ms Broadley for organising the Year 2 Sing a long Coastal Alliance. Three schools visited us on Thursday and sang together.

Thank you to Roman, Casey, Archie all from Bee, Evie and Freddie from Dragonfly, Toby and Kayleigh from Butterfly and Alice from Ladybird for representing Herne Bay Infant School at the Coastal Alliance Co-operative Trust School Council Meeting. Thank you also to Ms Ramsden, Miss Pittock, Mrs Rogers and Ms Field for attending and sharing their views on Herne BAY Infant School and ideas on how we could work (and play) with other Coastal Alliance Co-operative Trust Schools

Thank you to The PTA for our beautiful Christmas Trees.

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 at 3pm for Reception and by 3.10pm for KS1. 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 Governor Information:

Mr Rob Newman our Premises, Health & Safety Governor made his routine visit to school on Wednesday morning. He met with Mrs Lax and Mr Adams (Site Manager), and they examined accident logs, discussed emergency planning and walked the whole school site. We value his support to keep our school safe