



# Herne Bay Infant School & Seashells Nursery NEWSLETTER



<http://www.herne-bay.kent.sch.uk>

8<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Dates to Remember

- Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Nov: Year 2 Maths Morning—8:40am-9:00am
- Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open Day New Year R—1:30pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: Year 1 Maths Morning—8:40am-9:00am
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open Day New Year R—6:00pm
- Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Nov: Year R Maths Afternoon – 2:45pm
- Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open Day New Year R—9:15am
- Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Nov: Children in Need
- Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Nov: Open Day New Year R and Nursery—10:00am
- Thu 21<sup>st</sup> Nov: Year R Nursery Rhyme Challenge—2:30pm
- Thu 28<sup>th</sup> Nov: Year R Speaking and Listening Afternoon – 2:45pm
- Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec: Parents Evening 1:30-5:30pm
- Thu 5<sup>th</sup> Dec: Parents Evening 3:30-6:30pm
- Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec: Open Day New Year R – 10:00am
- Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 2 Dress Up as a Famous Person Day
- Thu 12<sup>th</sup> Dec: Fabulous Finisher: Year R & Year 1 & Dragonfly Christmas decorations with parents – 2:30pm
- Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Fabulous Finisher: Year 2 Christmas decorations with parents (not Dragonfly) – 2:30pm
- Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Jumper Day
- Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Dinner
- Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year R & Year 2 Christmas Party
- Tue 17<sup>th</sup> Dec: Year 1 Christmas Party
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: Christmas Church Service – 9:30am
- Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec: Term 2 Ends. 1:15pm finish for main school (normal finish time for Seashells Nursery)



## Poppy Appeal

Remembrance Day is on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November.

We will have poppy stickers available on the gates on Monday should anybody wish to make a donation.

## Dragonfly Class – Xmas Decorations

Due to swimming lessons, Dragonfly class will be holding their Christmas decoration afternoon on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December, instead of Friday 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Birthday Treats

We have recently had lots of parents wishing to give out sweets to their child's class when it's their birthday. Whilst we love that some of you would like to do this, unfortunately we cannot distribute sweets to the children.

If you would like to bring something in, please can we ask you to provide nut-free cakes, either pre-cut or individual portions, and we will be able to distribute these for you at the end of the day.





## Our Stars of the Week – KS1



### **Kardelen**

Parrot

Learning – for her amazing firework adjective.

### **Pariya**

Monkey

Responsibility – for being a responsible member of the class and demonstrating kindness towards others.

### **Oliver**

Tiger

Perseverance – for his amazing perseverance with his finger spaces.

### **Evie**

Zebra

Perseverance – for her perseverance in maths to show tens and ones in so many different ways.

### **Darcy**

Bee

Independence – for her excellent independent reading in guided reading.

### **Esme**

Butterfly

Reading – for her great attitude to reading.

### **Amelie**

Dragonfly

Learning – for her amazing ideas in her medicine in English.

### **Lyla**

Ladybird

Perseverance – for her perseverance with writing.



## Our Stars of the Week – Year R



### **Alfie**

Dolphin

Responsibility – for keeping the classroom tidy.

### **Ellis**

Octopus

Kindness – for helping others.

### **Ronnie**

Seahorse

Kindness – for supporting classmates when they are feeling upset.

### **Ruby**

Starfish

Learning – for learning how to write a sentence.

### **Thank You!**

We have received a thank you letter from Canterbury Food Bank for our donations during Harvest Festival. If you would like to see the letter, it is available on our website:

<http://www.herne-bay.kent.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/food-bank-letter.pdf>

### **Year R - P.E.**

Year R started P.E. this week and it was a great success!

Please could we ask that you drop your children off to class as normal when they have P.E, and the staff will assist the students with changing.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Purple Mash

We hope you are all still enjoying Purple Mash with your children. Why not explore some of the maths games like Fish-Metic? Practice arithmetic by counting fish as they swim in the sea!



## Books for Schools Campaign

The Sun newspaper are giving away free book tokens. If we collect enough, we will be able to claim for free books for the school!

If you have any of these tokens, please do hand these to the office for us to collect, as we would love to collect enough to claim the books.

## Congratulations!

The families who achieved an attendance of 97% and above in term 1 were entered into our prize draw. Congratulations to Ruby and family from Starfish Class who won a Kavanagh Cinema voucher. The next draw will be for term 2 – a nice treat in January. Will you be in the draw?



## Children in Need



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need!  
The children are welcome to wear spots for a donation to help this worthy cause.

We also have Herne Bay High coming in for their annual Dance Dash, and Punctuality Parrot will be doing their own Gate Dash!

## Christmas Cards

The children will be bringing home Christmas card designs. If you would like to order a Christmas card designed by your child, please complete and return the order form by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

# Balancing screen time

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## Avoid using screen time as a reward

This will elevate the status of screen time above other activities and like using food as a reward **may encourage children to simply want more.**



### How are children using screens?



Source: Ofcom Children and Parents Media Use and Attitudes Report 2018

## Easy Fundraising

With Christmas coming up, you may now be thinking about Christmas presents.

Please remember that we have an Easy Fundraising account, meaning you can support the school with a click of a button! All you need to do is follow the link below, and shop as normal at your favourite sites.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hernebayinfantschool/>

## Punctuality Parrot

In school the children have been very excited by Punctuality Parrot and the attendance badges. We would love to hear your views. You can send a note into the office or email [office@herne-bay.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@herne-bay.kent.sch.uk).



Punctuality Parrot has made the local paper - have you seen the Herne Bay Gazette this week?

They will be on all three gates on Friday morning, wearing spots for Children in Need. Will you spot Punctuality Parrot?