HEENE NEWSLETTER

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Acting Headteacher: Mrs Jo MacGovern Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to our second half term! It was really lovely to meet so many of you at our end of term service. I hope that you had a lovely break over half term and enjoyed the wonderful autumnal weather.

HEENE THE TOTAL STORY

BUILDINGS UPDATE

We are now on the final leg of the main build! The staff and children have been very understanding and patient during this whole project. We were hoping to move Year R straight into their new classrooms but missing furniture and outside access have meant a slight delay.

We have had a partial final handover today, Friday 6th November, of the main building project. From Monday Year R should be in their new classrooms and 3B and 2KB will be moving into classrooms during the early part of next week! The small hall handover will now be on Monday 16th November, just in time for the launch of Hot School Meals!! Gareth Walters and his Lakehouse team have worked tirelessly during the project to get us to this point. Gareth is leaving site today for other projects so I hope you will join me in thanking him for his hard work. He will be returning for a whole school assembly very soon. Alan Tunesi will be on site until Christmas working on the side area behind Y3/4 classrooms which involves a lot of digging, landscaping and fencing.

Once this is all completed we will be inviting Bishop Mark to formally open our new build early in 2016.



<u>HARVEST SERVICE</u> Thank you for your support. Your generous donations were greatly received by Worthing Churches Homeless Project and it was really lovely to see everyone packed into the church. As the school grows we will have to address the issue of space and potentially move to two Church services.

<u>PARENT CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS</u> You will have received the letter outlining parent consultation evenings on Monday 9^{th} and Wednesday 11^{th} November. Please sign up with your child's class teacher to make your appointment and we look forward to seeing you in school. Mrs Ferguson and I will be around to answer any questions you may have or just to say hello!

PLEASE NOTE!! NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE / EMAIL ADDRESSES

As of this week we have switched broadband providers. This obviously means some disruption to services and we hope that these are very limited. If you have emailed and not received a response during the handover please try again as it may have got lost in the transfer.

School Website: www.heeneprimary.co.uk

School email address: office@heeneprimary.co.uk

<u>COLD WEATHER</u> Although we have had warm, dry days recently, it is essential that all children bring a coat to school, as the temperature can quickly change, children will not be allowed out to play or on walks in cold weather without a coat. **ESSENTIAL** - waterproof trainers for outdoor PE as the children (particularly the older ones) will be over on the park.

CHILDREN IN NEED / MUFTI DAY will be held on Friday 13th November

This year's theme is 'Champions of Change'. We will be challenging our school councillors to photograph their classes throughout the day! We are also going to go on a Superhero / Pudsey ramble in the park at 1.15pm. If you wish to join us or support the children please do.



Attached to this Newsletter are diary dates for this term and term dates for the school year



This national charitable event supports a very worthwhile cause and always generates much fun, as well as much needed money. We would like the children to come dressed up as their favourite Superhero or as a tribute to Pudsey Bear (if you are able to wear something spotty, or dress in red, yellow, green and/or blue) that would fantastic. In return all we ask is that a small donation (£1) is made to Children in Need, so that we can raise as much money as possible for this charity. Thank you for your support.





HHH Christmas Card Orders - Thank you for all of your orders which have been sent off today. Some wonderful designs!

<u>SCIENCE WEEK</u> - week beginning 16th November! Miss Blann has organised an exciting Science week with suggested activities for all year groups. We are beginning the week with the Quantum Theatre visit for Years 1-4 'Journey to the bottom of the Garden'. Please remember to ask your child/ren questions about what they are doing.

<u>READING RECOMMENDATION</u> - 'Use Your Imagination' by Nicola O'Byrne and any of the 'Alfie Jones' books by David Fuller. We are fortunate that David Fuller is making an author visit on Monday November 23rd and will be talking to Years 3 and 4 about his work and becoming an author.

TRIPS/VISITS ETC - When paying for trips/visits or other events please will you put the money and <u>fully completed</u> form/slip in a <u>sealed envelope clearly labelled with your child's full name, class and the event</u>. Please do not put multiple items in the same envelope. The office deals with hundreds of pieces of paper for the school, HHH and outside agencies so your help is much appreciated in keeping the process running smoothly to avoid errors with cash and using extra administrative time.

NO TEACHER-RUN

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

DUE TO PARENT

CONSULTATION

CLUBS CANCELLED ARE: MONDAY 9th NOVEMBER STORY TELLING CLUB COOKERY CLUB

9.00 - 9.20am

Year 2 Tuesday 17th November Year 1 Tuesday 24th November

Please join us if you are able to.

If your child has a certificate or medal that has been awarded out of school and you would like it to be given out in assembly, please bring it into school.



School Book Fair

Friday 27th November at the Christmas Fair Monday 30th - Thursday 3rd December

Time: 3.00 - 3.30pm

Where: Theatre Space between Y2 and Y3



Class teachers will take the children during the week to view the books as classes. The book fair will be open after school every day and during the Christmas Fair for you to look and purchase any books with your child/ren.

Events coming up later in the term...

<u>MUFTI DAY</u> for the Christmas Fair is on **Friday 20**th **November**. In exchange for children being allowed to come to school in mufti please bring in a donation for the Christmas Bottle Tombola and Luxury Hamper stalls - please see HHH Newsletter for details.

<u>CHRISTMAS FAIR</u> will be held after school in our newly extended hall from 3.00-5.00pm on Friday 27th November. We hope many of you will be able to come to this fun afternoon and support HHH who work so hard to raise funds for the school.

<u>CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES</u> please note the dates and times on your calendars for Years R, 1 and 2 Christmas Performances. More details will follow from year group teams nearer the time. As we are a growing Primary School Years 3 and 4 will plan a performance for either Easter or the Summer term.

- Tuesday 8th December Year R will be performing at 10am and 2pm
- Friday 11th December Y1 will be performing 'It's a Party!' at 10am and 2pm
- Tuesday 15th December Y2 will be performing at 10am and 2pm

<u>RAINBOW THEATRE PERFORMANCE & PARTY DAY</u> we have invited Rainbow Theatre Group in to perform their Christmas performance which this year is 'Aladdin!' This will be on the morning of **Wednesday 16th December** and will be our Christmas present to the children. In the afternoon the children will have their class / year group parties. They may come into school on this day in their party clothes.

CHARTWELLS CHRISTMAS LUNCH FRIDAY 11th DECEMBER



Roast Turkey with all the trimmings
Or Quorn Fillet
served with
Roast Potatoes, Peas and Carrots
Gingerbread Man
Fruit Juice or Chilled Water

If your child is not having the UIFSM and you would like him/her to have a Christmas lunch please contact Chartwells direct on 0845 603 7998 or via their website https://westsussex.mealselector.co.uk/

IT CANNOT BE ORDERED THROUGH THE SCHOOL OFFICE WITH CASH!

The meal is £2.25 which must be pre-paid before Sunday 30th November



<u>CHRISTMAS</u> <u>CHURCH SERVICE</u>

Please come and join us, if you can, for our Church Service which will be held on Friday 18th December,

1.45 - 2.15pm

at St Matthew's Church.

The children can be collected from Church at 2.15p.m or back at school at the normal finishing time.

Thank you for your continued support. Yours sincerely

Jo MacGovern

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