# HEENE NEWSLETTER

'Learning together, loving others, guided by God'

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## AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS PICK-UP

FROM THIS WEEK WE
WILL OPEN UP THE
LEFT-HAND SIDE GATE
TO THE MAIN
PLAYGROUND AT THE
END OF CLUBS ON
MONDAYS, TUESDAYS
AND THURSDAYS.

THIS WILL ENSURE
SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL
CAR PARK AND AVOID
THE CONGESTION WE'VE
EXPERIENCED NEAR THE
FRONT DOOR WITH
MANY MORE CHILDREN
ATTENDING CLUBS!

Diary Dates are displayed on the school Noticeboards, which are located near to the school entrances.

The Noticeboards are regularly updated. Please check these for any changes.

If you require an additional copy of the Newsletter, please ask at the Office.

Dear Parents / Carers,

As we've previously mentioned we will with great sadness be saying goodbye to Rev'd John Chitham in October. His last Collective Worship will be on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm**. If you wish to attend please join us in the school hall and arrive at 2.20pm to be seated prior to the Year 1-5 children coming into the hall.



<u>UNIFORM</u> - We are encouraging all children through reminders from adults and each other about smart uniform! One of those reminders is tucking shirts into trousers and skirts. As part of our growing school and addition of a full Key Stage 2 cohort we are encouraging those children in Years 3, 4 and 5 (eventually Year 6) to have the *option* of wearing pale blue shirts rather than polo shirts with the school tie. The School Office will be ordering more ties and these will be available very soon, priced £4.50.

Children must **ALL** be wearing black school shoes and suitable plain school socks as part of their uniform (NO brightly coloured trainers or canvas shoes). **NO** opentoe sandals or other shoes without socks are permissible on health and safety grounds. We do recommend that children from Year 1 upwards have trainers rather than plimsolls in their PE bags for outdoor PE as we do go out in all weathers, often to the park. Not only do our children look smart when adhering to the correct uniform but it ensures health and safety at all times. Thank you for your support and understanding in this matter.

<u>SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS</u> - these will take place on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October <u>AND</u> Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. Please ensure your child has their full uniform on. We will endeavour to work from EYFS up to Year 4 on the Monday and Year 5, siblings and any absentees on the Tuesday. This will in no way conflict with Year 5 swimming on the Monday!

Reading With your Child at Home - Please ensure that you continue to read as often as possible with your child at home. We will be continuing our 'READING INCENTIVE' whereby your child will receive a raffle ticket when they have obtained ten initials in their reading journal, indicating that they have read with an adult or older sibling. If they win a book in our fortnightly draw it is theirs to keep forever!

Book Recommendations this month include:

- Years 4/5: Beetle Boy by M.G. Leonard (see if you can spot the similarities with 101 Dalmations!)
- Years 2/3: Pugs of the Frozen North by P. Reeve and S. McIntyre (Miss Atkinson laughed out loud reading this one!)
- EYFS/Year 1: Zim Zam Zoom by J. Carter (a wonderful mixture of fun poetry: perfect with National Poetry Day coming up!)
- Please let Miss Atkinson know if you have any recommendations of books you have enjoyed recently.



**BEACH WEEK** - What a fantastic time the children had! The weather was very kind to us indeed. All year groups (apart from EYFS) undertook a visit to the beach. They all experienced a period of Collective Worship or reflection as well as some science, geography and art activities. A display of the week will showcase the children's ideas and photographs will be added to the school website. All of the children and staff had a fun time!



<u>HOUSES</u> - 4 Houses will be set up very soon and house captains' chosen/elected - initial ideas for names include:

- PATRON SAINTS St George, St Andrew, St Patrick, St David
- AUTHORS / ROAD NAMES Browning, Byron, Shelley, Shakespeare
- CASTLES Arundel, Bramber, Hastings, Lewes

If you have any further ideas please send them in with your child to me or pop into the school office. Following the decision we will allocate children to a house (siblings will be in the same one) evenly across the school and begin collecting house points. The aim will be for this to be set up and start after half term. Children will gain house points for kindness, respect, good behaviour, outstanding work and any other elements of school life that school councillors and teachers wish to reward.

<u>SCHOOL COUNCILLORS</u> - Each class has elected two school councillors to represent them at regular meetings and be 'voices for the pupils' throughout the year. I will be meeting with the children to discuss school matters that require pupil opinion and voice. This is something I am looking forward to and the children supporting me in these matters are: Maizy S, Lucas D, Cian E, Sophie G, Oliver G, Edie S, Zayaan B, Isla W, Mekere B, Poppie C, Asa M, Ella G, Elliot D, Amelie B-G, Samuel C, Isla S, Isaac D, Mimi K, Chandia M, Arwen F, Marley M, Julia P.

<u>ECO-WARRIORS</u> - Classes have also voted for their Eco-Warriors. These children support the class teachers with recycling and energy efficiency in their own classrooms and around the school. This year the children helping 'BUSTER' are: Max S, Scarlett S, Elliot C, Nicholas B, Ella D-H, Ava M, Peter G, Maxwel B, Penelope R, Theodore V, Maja M, Lexi R, Isaac D-M, Reuben D-J, Lola M, Hugh P, Mae S, Hayley O'B, Harlee N, Holly M, Cordel M, Charlotte E, Frank E, Iggy S, Kacey W.

#### YEAR GROUP CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES 9.00-9.20am

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - Y2
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November - Y1
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November - Y3
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November - Y5
Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Y4

MILK - is available, but must be ordered and paid for in advance. However, milk is free for children under 5 years. For all children having a hot school meal, milk is available as an alternative to water at lunch time. Should you wish to order and pay for milk the order forms are available from the office or go online at <a href="https://www.coolmilk.com">www.coolmilk.com</a>

#### PARENT INFORMATION MEETING

'Values, Vision, Future' with Staff and Governors

Thank you to those parents who attended the meeting on  $21^{st}$  September. It was a lovely opportunity for Staff, Governors and Parents to meet and hear / discuss where we are now as a school and the provision and opportunities that will be on offer in the future.

We will put the Powerpoint shared at the meeting on the school website for you to view if you wish. The planned designs for the playground are still on display in the Parent Hub / First Aid area of the school if you wish to view them.

### **Harvest Church Service**

# Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016 — 2pm at St Matthew's Church



Do try and join us, if you can on this last day of half term.

We are collecting donations prior to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October in school and on the day itself for Worthing Churches Homeless Projects. Some items they are in desperate need of include: Tinned Meat, Coffee, Black Refuse Sacks, Sugar, Biscuits, Cooking Oil, Marmite, Evaporated Milk, Tinned Custard, Mustard, Cakes, Salad Cream, Sweeteners, Longlife Milk, Hairbrush / Comb

Children can be collected from Church at 2.45pm or back at school at 3.05pm. (Please advise your child's class teacher)

If you have buggies please follow the directions of the church wardens and park them in the adjacent Rackham Room

<u>PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS</u> - Our first Parent Consultation Evenings of the year will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October: 3.30 - 7pm and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October: 3.30 - 5pm. For those of you new to the school and our systems please sign up with the class teachers at their doors for a 10 minute appointment. Mrs Ferguson and myself will be available on both evenings should you wish to speak to us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Jo MacGovern Headteacher