HEENE NEWSLETTER

'Learning together, loving others, guided by God'

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Please can we remind parents if you are late to school with your child please report to reception with them, thank you.

YEAR GROUP PARENT CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES

Year 4 - Tuesday 6th February

Year 3 - Tuesday 20th February Year 1 - Tuesday 27th February Year 6 - Monday 5th March EYFS - Tuesday 13th March Year 2 - Thursday 15th March

All at 9am in the school hall Please join us if you can

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,

The spring term is racing along! We're nearly at half term and have survived despite lots of illness amongst staff and children.



HHH - It is with great sadness that I am announcing that Issy Davies is stepping down as Chairperson of HHH due to increasing personal pressures. She has given endless hours of her own time to run the charity and help raise money for the school. I'm sure as parents you will want to join me and thank her for the time and effort she has put into fundraising for Heene Primary School.

Anna Ball (Y1 parent) will be taking over as Chairperson. Further information will be sent out after half term with news of a date for an open meeting to discuss the way forward, recruit a new committee and take on new ideas for fundraising.

<u>OUTSIDE SPACES</u> - We are in the process of ordering some items from previous fundraising monies for the outside spaces. The Premises Officer is working through a list of outside tasks to support this. We will then be requesting parental help and resources to enhance these areas before the children can plant them or use them. Next update in the March newsletter.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u> - Following a recent meeting with our locality Attendance Support Worker some of you will have received letters regarding your children's attendance at school. Please note that we are legally obliged to run reports and send these letters out. They are to alert you to the monitoring we are undertaking and the percentage attendance your child has achieved. A revised locality leaflet will be sent home shortly to explain some of the issues affecting all schools.

CONSULTATION APPOINTMENTS

Please come with your child to discuss their progress on

TUESDAY 6th MARCH 3.30-7.00pm or THURSDAY 8th MARCH 3.30-5.00pm

Appointment times will be available to book online after half-term.

NO CLUBS

Please note due to
Consultation Appointments
the following Clubs are
cancelled on
Tuesday 6th March
Netball, Eco, Book Club &
Homework Club
Thursday 8th March
Homework, Cross Country,
Chess & Debating club





WORLD BOOK DAY 2018 THURSDAY 1st MARCH

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 1st March. This year the theme is 'share a story'. The children can bring one of their favourite stories in to school so they can share it with a friend. They may dress up for the day as someone or something (!) from the book that they really love. The children will be involved in some fun 'book' activities throughout the day.

Please note Y3 will not be involved as they will be on a school trip

Book Recommendations



EYS / KS1 - Why not try one of Kes Gray's lovely 'Oi!' books? They are fun, rhyming and often a little silly! How many more rhymes can you think of as you read the books together? Ask your class teacher or find one in the library...we think you'll enjoy them!





KS2 - If you enjoy a story that is funny, sad, clever, interesting and sometimes downright silly then you'll LOVE 'The Bolds' by Julian Clary. This is about a family of hyenas living in an ordinary street, disguised as humans! We're pretty sure you'll laugh out loud when you read this one!



YEAR 1 CHILDREN will be taking part in Happy Hearts workshop sessions during February and March run by Tammy Waine.

There will be a presentation for the Year 1 children who have taken part in the Happy Hearts session on Friday 23rd March at 2.15pm. Please come and join us along with Artie Beat who will be there to present each child with a certificate to say they have taken part in the Happy Heart sessions.

<u>VOMITING AND DIARRHOEA 48-HOUR POLICY</u> — Can we please remind you that if your child experiences any vomiting/diarrhoea then they do need to be kept at home for 48 hours from the last bout of illness.

<u>CHILD SAFETY</u> — It is vital that whenever somebody other than you or your partner is picking up your child from school we have the name of the person WRITTEN down and either given to the teacher in the morning or handed in to the office. This is the only way in which we can ensure your child's safety at the end of the school day. If you have an emergency or are delayed you can, of course, telephone the office but we cannot take late telephone calls within normal circumstances.

<u>P.E. KIT</u> — Please ensure that your child has their full P.E. kit in school every day, including waterproof trainers, as half of their P.E. lessons (particularly KS2) take place outdoors and sometimes across in the park. If your child does not have their P.E. kit in school, they will miss out on their lesson. Shorts, joggers and P.E. t-shirts can be purchased from the school office. It is advisable that children do have a warm tracksuit for the colder, wetter weather.

<u>UNIFORM</u> — Children must ALL wear black school shoes and suitable plain school socks as part of their uniform (no brightly coloured trainers or canvas shoes). It is essential that all children bring a coat to school, as the temperature can change very quickly. Children may not be allowed out to play or on walks in cold weather without a coat.



<u>READING WITH YOUR CHILD AT HOME</u> — 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!



Thank you for your continued support.

Jo MacGovern

Mrs Jo MacGovern — Headteacher

