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## Newsletter February 2021

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# This Month's Value is Love

*"Pooh, how do you spell love?" You don't spell love Piglet, you feel it"*

Dear Parent/Carer

### **Booking your TEAMS Parents' Evening Appointments**



We look forward to seeing you all at our "virtual" Parents' Evenings on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2022. If you have not yet already made your appointment simply log on to parentmail and select parents' evening on the left of your screen, then select Date – Class - Book slot.

If you would like to be contacted on a different email address to the one we have **OR** if two of you in different households would like to join (where parents don't live together), then please, enter these email addresses in the comments box.

If you would rather receive a phone call from the teacher please put your contact number in the notes section when booking.

### **Booked Parents' Evening Appointments**

Once you have made your appointment, unless you have requested a phone call, the meetings will be held through Teams and you will be able to join via the links already sent to you via parentmail. If both parents would like to join from separate devices, you can both click on the link and you will be admitted to the call together. (Please share a device if you are in the same room to minimise echo and feedback.)

You can join the meeting when you are ready and will enter a "lobby". You will be admitted to the meeting at the correct time by your child's teacher. The meetings will be a maximum of 10 minutes long and this will be strictly adhered to for the convenience of all parents. In line with our school protocol, all meetings will be recorded.

The teachers are looking forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's learning.



### **Thursday March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022 World book day**

World Book Day will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2022. The theme this year will announced soon in a separate parentmail.

The school book fair will be visiting from the afternoon of **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March until Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022**. The children will be given a World Book Day voucher worth £1, which may be redeemed at the book fair against a book costing £2.99 or more, or used to buy a special World Book Day book, details are on the reverse of the voucher. The book fair will be open at various times during this special week, opening details to follow with the vouchers. It's the perfect opportunity for you and your child to purchase books to read at home and at the same time, raise funds for our school to purchase additional books.



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### **Red Nose Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022**

We will send more details regarding our Red Nose day/Comic Relief nearer the time.

### **Nursery and Reception places 2022**

Usually, we would be having open tours of the Academy for parents who are considering sending their children to Nursery or Reception next September 2022. This year we will be having small group tours of the school that will need to be pre-booked.

Please contact us by telephoning us on 01934 427373 or email us at [school@heronsmoor.co.uk](mailto:school@heronsmoor.co.uk). to arrange a tour date. We have also made virtual tours of the school, the Reception classes and the Nursery which can be found on our website: <https://heronsmooracademy.cfb.uk/open-event/>

### **Nursery Applications**

We have places in our excellent Nursery for September 2022. If you have a child who has their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday before September 2022 or know somebody who is looking for a Nursery place, please collect and complete an application form which is available from the school front office, alternatively we can email the forms to you, just call us on 01934 427373.

All children are entitled to **15 hours FREE** childcare and education starting the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday.

In addition, some children may also be entitled to **30 hours FREE** childcare and education depending on their circumstances (see gov.uk).

Our Nursery offers **flexible sessions**- children could start as early as **8am** and finish at **3.30pm**. We provide water, milk and fruit daily and we also offer **hot meals** for children.

The Nursery is part of our successful Foundation Stage where children thrive by learning through play.



### **Places at Herons' Moor**

We have spaces in the following year groups, Y1 and Y6. If you know anyone looking for a space please ask them to get in touch with the Front Office.

### **Book donations**

A massive thank-you for all of your book donations. We are all really grateful and have been able to set up some good reading resources for children in school. Due to the wonderful response we no longer need any more donations.



### **Nut Allergy**

We have a growing number of pupils in school with a nut allergy. Please could we ask that children do not have nuts as part of their packed lunch to protect these children. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **School trousers/leggings appeal**

If you have any good quality trousers or leggings that your child has grown out of, please can we ask you to donate them to the school as we are running out of spares to change children into when needed.



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**Are you interested in training to become a primary school teacher?**

Our school is part of a growing number of schools leading the way in school-led teacher training. This is really important to us because it means we can choose the very best talent and develop them into first-rate teachers. Being able to choose who we train as teachers helps us in delivering the best outcomes for pupils in North Somerset.

Heron's Moor Academy is working in collaboration with five other North Somerset primary schools with Somerset SCITT as our accredited partner, and we are recruiting another group of trainee teachers to work in our School Direct consortium from September 2022. We would be very interested in hearing from anybody who is thinking of becoming a teacher. Eligible people need to have a degree, have a passion for teaching and education and the commitment and determination to undertake an intensive year of training, 90% of which is school-based.

If you are interested, the first step is to have a conversation with me as Principal. I will be able to tell you more about this exciting teacher training opportunity. Further information on what becoming a teacher might involve more generally is available at [www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching](http://www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching).

As always if you have any queries, comments or suggestions we will be pleased to hear them.

Have a good February break.

Yours sincerely

Julie Fox  
Principal.

**Dates for your diary**

15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tues	3.30pm - 6.30pm	Parents' Evening
16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Wed	9.45am - 12.15pm	Y2 Multiskills festival (8 pupils only)
17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Thurs	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parents' Evening
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fri		END OF TERM 3
<b>TERM 4</b>			
28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Mon		START OF TERM 4
3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Thurs		World Book Day
16 <sup>th</sup> March	Wed		INSET DAY
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Fri		Red Nose Day
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Thurs		Y5 Weston Rocks
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Thurs	PM Evening	NSSPEA rehearsal NSSPEA performance
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Thurs		Y4 to St Briavels Y6 Trip to Bristol Museum
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Fri	5pm – 8pm	Y4 back from St Briavels School disco

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			END OF TERM 4
<b>TERM 5</b>			
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Mon		START OF TERM 5
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Mon		BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Mon		Start of Y6 SAT's week
12 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs		Y6 SAT's end
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Tues		Class photos
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri		END OF TERM 5
<b>TERM 6</b>			
6 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon		START OF TERM 6
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues	All day	Year 5 Egypt WOW day
8 <sup>th</sup> June	Wed		Y5 to St Briavels
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs		Y5 at St Briavels
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri		Y5 back from St Briavels
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri		SCHOOL CLOSED
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Mon		Y6 Kilve trip
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri		Y6 Kilve return
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Thurs		END OF TERM 6