

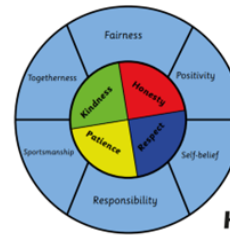


Cabot Learning Federation

# Herons' Moor Academy—Newsletter

## March 2026

This month's value is



*I am kind.  
I am respectful.  
I am patient.  
I am honest.*

*I am a  
Herons' Moor Citizen*

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you to all the families who joined us for our new-look parents evening last week. We would really value your thoughts on this event so please do take the time to complete the short survey emailed to you, FAMILY SURVEY, which we, in turn, will analyse the responses and share at a future date. 82% of you attended your child's appointment which is great but we really want to improve on this number as it is a key moment in the school year to develop communication between school and home.

Looking ahead, Wednesday 15th July is the date of this year's Inspiring our Future Day and I would like to bring to your attention our communication around kindly volunteering some time to support this event—whether you can offer an hour, a half day or even a whole day, we would love you to be part of this and share your experiences of your job with our learners by being interviewed. Parents who helped last year said our children were incredibly polite, interested and asked good questions to develop their understanding of careers and the world of work. They said it was a privilege to be part of the day so please fill in the form sent to you today.

**RESPONSIBILITY (our school value this month) is a vital value for children to develop as it underpins a positive learning attitude, good self organisation and growing independence.** When children learn to take responsibility—for their belongings, their routines, and their learning—they build habits that help them thrive both in and out of the classroom. As parents, you play a key role in nurturing this by helping ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform, brings a suitable lunch and a water bottle, and is supported with regular reading and completion of homework. These small daily actions reinforce the message that being prepared, organised, and committed to learning really matters, setting children up for success now and in the future.

Some of you have been asking about key dates for Term 6 so I have included these on a separate page.

Georgina Tinker—Principal

### Safeguarding

#### Monitoring Children's Phone & Internet Use



We are increasingly noticing incidents of inappropriate online behaviour among young people, which can lead to serious issues such as online bullying, exposure to harmful or unsuitable content, and the reinforcement of prejudiced views.

Please take a moment to review and monitor your child's phone and internet activity regularly. Open conversations at home about safe, respectful and responsible online behaviour can make a significant difference. Working together, we can help ensure that all children stay safe and supported while using digital devices.

## Uniform

Over recent months, we've noticed that our school uniform standards have begun to slip. Uniform plays an important role in creating a sense of pride, unity, and belonging at HMA, and it reflects the high expectations we hold for every member of our school community.



As we move forward together, we ask for your support in reminding our children of what should be worn to school each day and in ensuring these expectations are upheld. By doing this consistently, we help our young people feel confident, prepared, and proud to represent HMA.

Our uniform consists of the following:

- a navy blue jumper/cardigan
- a gold polo shirt
- grey/black trousers/skirts/pinafore
- black polishable shoes
- summer dresses either blue or yellow
- tailored shorts for summer in either blue, black or grey

Branded items are available for purchase from [NK Sports](#). Whilst they stock our branded items, these are optional, and non-branded items can be purchased from other retailers so long as they are in the school colours. The PE kit consists of:

- a gold t-shirt or house colour t-shirt
- navy shorts/jogging bottoms
- black daps or trainers

## Rules for Wearing School Uniform

**School uniform** – Should be always worn (except on PE days when PE kit can be worn) and should be worn with pride. Uniform should be clean and well presented.

**Labels** – It is essential that all clothes and belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name, this includes bags, PE kits, hats and shoes.

**Socks** – Socks must be a plain neutral colour.

**Jewellery & Watches** – no smart watches  
Earrings- maximum of one pair of earrings (stud style earrings). These must be removed for PE/Sports activities.

**Nails/Nail Varnish** – No nail varnish is allowed. Students wearing nail varnish will be asked to remove it. Long acrylic/gel nails are not appropriate for a school environment and pose a health and safety issue at times. We will ask that they are removed.

**Hairstyle** – Hair to be groomed and a natural, single colour. No unnatural coloured hair dye. No extreme forms of hairstyle are acceptable.

**Make-up** – No make-up is allowed.

**Under layers/skins** – If worn must be neutral in colour

**Coats** – Children must have a coat in school except during hot weather

**Sun Hats** – Sun hats are required during the summer months.

## PTA update

**Easter Egg hunt/Trail - 2nd April**



**During the afternoon of the last day of term before Easter, the PTA are organising an Easter Egg Hunt for children from reception to Y6 to take part in. The cost is £2 per child and is payable on MCAS from today – all children will be the winner of a chocolate Easter surprise!**

**We are exploring funding the OPAL play programme to enhance break and lunchtimes for all children.**

## Dates for your diary

<b>TERM 4</b>			
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Tues	9am	Textile recycling collection day
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Wed		Y5 to Science Creates. Bristol
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Thurs		Forest School Y4 Swimming
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Fri	9am	Red Nose Day Celebration assembly
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Thurs	6:30pm	Dance Festival at Playhouse Y5 trip to Caerleon
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Fri	2.15pm	Y3/Y4 Raise the Roof Parent performance
31 <sup>st</sup> March	Tues	2:45pm	Y6 Celebration of Learning
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Wed	2:45pm	Y1 Celebration of Learning
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Thurs		<b>Last Day Term 4</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Fri		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
<b>TERM 5</b>			
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Mon		<b>START OF TERM 5</b>
23 <sup>rd</sup> April	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Year 4 to St Briavals
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Fri	9am 10:15am	Celebration assembly Y4 Back from St Briavals
30 <sup>th</sup> April	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming
1 <sup>st</sup> May	Fri	9am	Celebration assembly
4 <sup>th</sup> May	Mon		<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri	9am	Celebration assembly
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Fri	9am	Celebration assembly
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Tues	2:45pm	Celebration of Learning Y1
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Wed	2:45pm	Celebration of Learning Y3 Reception trip to Lower Stock Farm
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Thurs		Y4 Swimming
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Fri	13:00	<b>END OF TERM 5</b> Celebration assembly

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<b>TERM 6</b>			
1st June	Mon		<b>START OF TERM 6</b> Egyptian Ali - Y5
4 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs	9:30am-11:00am 13.00-15:00	Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming HSBC Money Sessions – Year 6
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	9am	Celebration Assembly
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs	9:30am  13.30pm	Y5/Y6 performance Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming
12 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	9:30am	Y5/Y6 performance
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon	9:30am	Pre-school sports day PM
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues	PM	Pre-school Reserve Sports Day PM
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs	AM	KS2 Sports Day Y4 Swimming
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs	PM	KS1 and Reception (together) Sports Day
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	9.30am 1.30pm	KS2 Reserve Sports Day 9:30am KS1 Reserve Sports Day and Reception 1:30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Tues	All day	Churchill – Year 6 Transition
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Wed	All day	Churchill – Year 6 Transition – Drama day
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Y4 Swimming
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Fri	9am	Summer Fair Celebration assembly
29 <sup>th</sup> June	Mon		Class Photos
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Tues	2:45pm	Celebration of Learning Y5 Winterstoke Hundred /Broadoak Priory School /Worle School /HPA Y6 Transition
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Wed	2:45pm	Celebration of Learning YR Priory School / Worle School Year 6 Transition Winterstoke Hundred / HPA / Broadaok Y6 transition
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Thurs		Winterstoke Hundred / Hans Price / Broadoak Y6 Transition Forest School – Yvonne Matthews Moving up morning
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Fri		<b>INSET DAY – Academy closed</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> July	Mon		Y6 Kilve
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Thurs		Forest School – Yvonne Matthews
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri	9am	Celebration assembly  <b>Y6 Return from Kilve</b>
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Mon	9:00am	Performance Poetry Y1 in assembly  Big Investigation -P16
15 <sup>th</sup> July	Wed		Inspiring our Future Day
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Thurs		Y6 Leavers Party (PTA) Forest School – Yvonne Matthews
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Fri	9am	Celebration Assembly
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Tues		Y6 Leavers assembly 9:15am to parents and school <b>END OF TERM 6</b>



## TERM DATES 2026-2027



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<b>TERM 1</b>	
Thur 3rd September 2026	INSET DAY
Fri 4th September 2026	INSET DAY
Mon 7th September 2026	Children start/return to school
Wed 21st October 2026	End of term for children
Thur 22nd October 2026	INSET DAY
Fri 23rd October 2026	INSET DAY
Fri 23rd October 2026	End of term
<b>TERM 2</b>	
Mon 2nd November 2026	Start of term
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> November 2026	INSET DAY
Fri 18th December 2026	End of term
<b>TERM 3</b>	
Mon 4th January 2027	INSET DAY
Tues 5th January 2027	Children return to school
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	INSET DAY
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2027	End of term
<b>TERM 4</b>	
Mon 22nd February 2027	Children return to school
Thurs 25th March 2027	End of term
Friday 26th March 2027	Bank holiday
<b>TERM 5</b>	
Mon 12th April 2027	Start of term
Mon 3rd May 2027	Bank Holiday
Fri 28th May 2027	End of term
<b>TERM 6</b>	
Mon 7th June 2027	Start of term
Fri 2nd July 2027	INSET DAY
Fri 23rd July 2027	End of term

Join Our

# Easter Trail!

Thursday 2nd April

£2 Per Entry

— For an —

EASTER PRIZE!

Follow the trail, find the eggs  
and win a special Easter prize!





# Volunteer as an Academy Councillor at Herons' Moor Academy

Make a difference in your community by joining our Academy Council – a local governing board that works with school leaders to support and challenge decisions, ensuring the best outcomes for every child.

## What does an Academy Councillor do?

As a Councillor, you'll work closely with the Principal and leadership team, help guide strategic decisions, support school improvement, and represent the voice of the community.

## Time commitment:

- 6 meetings per year (late afternoon/evening)
- Occasional link meetings or panels

## What you'll gain:

- Full training and support
- Leadership and strategic experience
- An opportunity to influence the future of Herons' Moor Academy.



Find out more or express your interest at:  
[www.clf.uk/volunteer-with-us](http://www.clf.uk/volunteer-with-us)

