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Newsletter March 2023

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This Month's Value is Fairness

"Fair isn't everybody getting the same thing, fair is everybody getting what they need in order to be successful"

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you to all parents who participated in our Parents' Evenings in February. It was good to be able to talk to so many people.

Attendance

At Herons' Moor Academy, we want and expect our pupils to attend school every day, unless they are really not well enough to. We believe that children who attend school regularly are more likely to feel settled in school, maintain friendships, keep up with their learning and gain the greatest benefit from their education. Attending school on time every day also helps pupils form good habits which can stay with them throughout their educational journey and on into the workplace.

Good attendance is essential for pupils to get the most out of their school experience, including their attainment, wellbeing, and wider life chances.

Minor ailments should not be a reason for staying at home. If your child attends school when feeling slightly under the weather, but feels worse during the school day, they can let a member of staff know and we will contact you to let you know if we think your child needs to go home. If you aren't sure whether or not to send your child to school, please contact us and we will be happy to support and advise where appropriate.



HERONS' MOOR WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

To celebrate World Book Day HMA will be holding a Herons' Moor Book Day on **Friday March 3rd**.

The children can come to school dressed as any book character they like or just not wear school uniform. We are not expecting any one to go out and buy a costume! The staff are planning lots of exciting reading activities!

The Book Fair will be in school from Thursday 2nd March to Wednesday 9th March. During that time, the children will have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair with their class; however, they will need to return to the Book Fair on specific dates, **after school at 3.15pm to make any purchases.**

- Thursday 2nd March – Nursery
- Friday 3rd March – Reception, Year 1 & 2
- Monday 6th March – Year 3 & 4
- Tuesday 7th March – Year 5 & 6
- Additional Date Wednesday 8th March – 8.30am for all year groups.

Each child has been given a book token worth £1.00 to spend at the Book Fair.

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Textile Recycling

Due to the success of our recycling over the previous years, we shall be collecting all unwanted, good quality, clean clothes, paired shoes, handbags, belts, jewellery and accessories. So please ask friends and family to start saving their unwanted items to bring into school. Date for collection will be Monday March 13th, **please bring your donations in either Friday 10th March afternoon only or first thing Monday morning 13th March.**



Red Nose Day – Friday 17th March 2023

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

Pre loved uniform sale Thursday

We would like to inform you that we will be holding a pre loved uniform sale at the back end of the yellow brick road from 3pm Thursday 30th March. Please **only** enter the school via the back playground doors at the bottom of the KS2 stairs.

Most items will range in price from 50p to £2 so please **only bring small change**, no large notes will be accepted.

PE Days

We would like to remind parents what day their child has PE.

RM – Tuesday

RH - Wednesday

Y1 – Tuesday and Wednesday

Y2 – Wednesday and Thursday

Y3 – Thursday and Friday

4H – Thursday swimming and Friday

4M – Thursday and Friday

Y5 – Monday and Wednesday

Y6 - Tuesday



Staff

We have appointed Mrs Catherine Williams to teach 3M on Thursdays and Friday, Mrs Williams is also part of the inclusion team.

Places at Herons' Moor

We have spaces in Reception, Y1 and Y5. If you know anyone looking for a place please ask them to get in touch with the Front Office.

Nursery places 2023

If you would like to visit Nursery and tour the school, we will be having small group tours of the school that will need to be pre-booked.

Please contact us by telephoning 01934 441901 or email us at 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.clf.uk/virtual-tours/>

Nursery Applications

We have places in our excellent Nursery for September 2023. If you have a child who has their 3rd birthday before September 2023 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 441901.

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



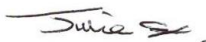
In addition, some children may also be entitled to **30 hours FREE** childcare and education depending on their circumstances (see gov.uk).

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.

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

Yours sincerely



Julie Fox
Principal

Dates for your diary

2 nd March	Thurs		Book fair open – for Nursery
3 rd March	Fri	3.15pm	World Book Day – Book character or non school uniform Book fair open for Rec, Y1 & Y2
6 th March	Mon	3.15pm	Book fair open for Y3 & Y4
7 th March	Tues	3.15pm	Book fair open for Y5 & Y6
8 th March	Wed	8.30am	Book fair open to all
17 th March	Fri		Red Nose Day
22 nd March	Weds	9.00am	Y1 Phonics meeting for parents
24 th March	Fri	4.45pm-5.30pm 5.45pm-6.30pm	Year 5 trip to Ashford Education Centre School disco – KS1 School disco – KS2
29 th March	Wed	6.45pm – 8.45pm	NSSPEA Dance festival
30 th March	Thurs	3pm	Pre-loved uniform sale
31 st March	Fri		END OF TERM 4
TERM 5			
17 th April	Mon		START OF TERM 5
20 th April	Thurs		St Briavels
21 st April	Fri		Children back from St Briavels
1 st May	Mon		BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
6 th May	Sat		Coronation of King Charles III
8 th May	Mon		Bank Holiday
16 th May	Tues		Class photos
23 rd May	Tues		Year 3 trip to Sand Bay
25 th May	Thurs		Movie Night
26 th May	Fri		END OF TERM 5
TERM 6			
5 th June	Mon		START OF TERM 6
6 th June	Tues		Year 5 at Wye Valley YHA – Residential trip
9 th June	Fri		Y5 return
19 th June	Mon		Nursery Sports Day
20 th June	Tues		Reception Sports Day/Nursery Sports Day reserve
21 st June	Wed		Reception Sports Day reserve KS1 Sports Day
22 nd June	Thurs		Sports Day KS2
23 rd June	Fri		Non-uniform day for Summer Fair KS2 Reserve Sports Day KS1 Reserve Sports Day

27 th June	Tues		Y6 Transition week (27 th /28 th /29 th)
29 th June	Thurs		Moving up morning
30 th June	Fri	3.15pm	Summer Fair
4 th July	Tues	6pm	Evening performance of play
5 th July	Weds	1.30pm	Afternoon performance of play
7 th July	Fri		Inset Day - school closed
10 th July	Mon		Kilve week
11 th July	Tues	3.30-4.30pm	Open evening
12 th July	Wed	2pm	Nursery show
17 th July	Mon		Year 6 water fight
18 th July	Tues	5.30-7.30pm	Year 6 treat Y6 Leavers disco
19 th July	Wed		Whole school beach trip
20 th July	Thurs	9.15am	Parents Music Assembly – Dining Hall
21 st July	Fri	9am	Leavers assembly END OF TERM 6