

# HERNE CE INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL WEEKLY BULLETIN

FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2026



## END OF TERM

We will be back on **MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

Thank you for a great term. It has flown by very quickly and all of a sudden, we are half way through the year! We look forward to brighter days, (hopefully) blue skies and sunshine over the coming weeks as we continue our love of learning at Herne Infants and Nursery. Have a lovely week with your families, we look forward to seeing you next term!

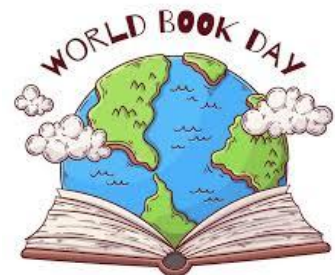


## COME AND SEE OPEN DAY

Thank you for coming into school today and spending time looking around the environment with your child. They are very proud of their class and school and they will have enjoyed sharing them with you.

## WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March is World Book Day. Children may come to school in non-uniform, dressed as a favourite book character.



## COMIC RELIEF

We will be joining with the nation on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March** for Comic Relief. This year's theme is 'Be Silly' so we invite your children to wear their own clothes back to front!

## ST MARTINS CHURCH – PANCAKE FUN

Please see the attached leaflet for more information about this event



# FOREST GROUP NEWS



This week on Monday the children enjoyed constructing a raised walkway and fort. They worked together as a team to build the construction. They had to learn to compromise with each other and accept different points of view. They shared their ideas well and everyone balanced along the pathway to the fort. Unfortunately, we had no afternoon Forest Groups this week but they will continue next term with new children, you will receive an email at the beginning of the next term if your child has been selected.

# WELLBEING TEAM NEWS

It's always a pleasure to welcome you all into school for our come and see afternoon. I hope you feel as much pride in your child's work as we do. Every child is celebrated in our school, it's the children that make our school the amazing place it is.

Our next Social Prescriber Clinic will be held on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at St Martins Church. Alternatively the Family Hub in Herne bay have a Parent Support and Advice Drop in on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am – 11.30am, please see their website for further details.

Enjoy the half term break and we look forward to welcoming you all back to school relaxed and ready for a new term.

If you have any questions or need any help The Wellbeing team is available on the playground most mornings, or you can e-mail on [wellbeing@herne-infant.kent.sch.uk](mailto:wellbeing@herne-infant.kent.sch.uk)



# ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance this week of **95.2%**



Please remember that family holidays should only be taken in the School breaks.

# THIS WEEK'S NEWS FROM CLASS

## Windmill Nursery

### This week

It has been a very busy last week of term! It was lovely to catch up with so many parents at our consultation evenings, and Come & See events! As you know, strong home /school partnerships are the cornerstone of everything we do at Herne, so thank you for your engagement and support. The children had a lovely time in the Nature Nook on Thursday; for once, it wasn't raining! As we had a 'pond' theme going on, the children enjoyed exploring in the indoor sensory pond, as well as singing a froggie counting song and listening to the story, The Princess and the Frog.

### Next term

Mrs Brown loved spending time with your children this week, playing and getting to know them, as well as meeting many of you, parents and carers. She is very excited to begin her new role as Nursery class teacher, and I'm sure she has some wonderful activities planned!

### Notices

I would just like to say an enormous thank you to you all for your support in my role as Nursery teacher, as well as your gifts, cards and good wishes as I bid a sad farewell to Windmill Nursery. It has been a privilege and a genuine pleasure; thank you. ❤️



## Year R

### This week

This week we enjoyed reading the story, 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' and learning all about healthy eating. During DT, we learned about food preparation and how to use a knife safely. We enjoyed preparing our own fruit salad and trying new fruits together.

In maths, we explored length and height through lots of practical activities such as creating towers with large construction, comparing heights of animals and the length of fruits and vegetables.

In RE, we learned that Jesus believed that children and adults are equal and important. We then thought about who is important to us in our own lives.

### Next Term

Our new learning theme will be, 'People who Help Us'. We will be learning about the jobs that people do and how they help us in our community.

In the first week, we will be learning about people who help our bodies to be safe and healthy. We will learn about doctors, nurses, opticians and dentists. We will have a special visitor, Nurse Debbie, who will help us to understand how doctors and nurses help us when we are poorly.

### Notices

It has been another busy but enjoyable term and your children have shown great curiosity and engagement in their learning. We hope you have a lovely half term and we look forward to seeing you again soon!

## Year 1

### Highlights from this week

We have had a lovely week to finish off a great term! Some particular highlights include performing a sequence in Gymnastics, writing some statements about Space for Writing and reflecting on all our learning of the Gospel in RE. It was also lovely to welcome you all for our second Come and See today. We hope you enjoyed coming in to seeing the children's learning all around you.

### Key learning for the first week back

Next term our theme will be 'Amazing Animals!', so get ready for lots of animal adventures! In Writing we will be going on a surprise adventure which will require us to recap writing lists, questions and answers using the correct punctuation. In Maths we are exploring measures by measuring height and length using standardised and non-standardised units such as cubes/paperclips and a ruler for centimetres. We are going into 'Salvation' for RE as we build up to the Easter Story and in PE we will be learning a class dance that we will be perform to other classes at the end of term.

### Notices

As always, please return PE kits the first day back after the half term break. Thank you.

We wish you a relaxing half term, hopefully with a little bit of sunshine!

**Diary Date:** Don't forget! **On Monday 2nd March at 2:30pm**, we are inviting you all to a meeting in the hall about the statutory Year One Phonics Screening Check that will take place in all schools. In this meeting you will find out what it is, how the check is carried out, what your children need to do and what it means. We will be giving out resources for you to take home so you can support your child at home. We hope you can all make this important session.



## Year 2

### Highlights from this week

It's been a thoroughly exciting term and the children have gained so much knowledge from our 'Africa' theme and learnt many new skills.

Thank you to everyone for joining us for our Come and See session this afternoon. We hope you enjoyed seeing all their exciting learning in their books and folders, and all the wonderful arts and crafts around the Year Two environment.

### Key learning for the first week back

Next term, we have two exciting themes planned. In Term 4 we are spending the first fortnight exploring the picture book 'Chalk' as part of Book Week and then moving onto The Great Fire of London.

In Writing the children will be planning a fictional narrative based on our key text 'Chalk' by exploring characters and story structure using mind maps and word banks. We will also be thinking about book features as we design and create our own book cover for it. Our spelling words of the week are **'half'**, **'hour'**, **'people'**, **'past'**, **'poor'**, **'door'**. In Maths we are telling the time by identify the hour hand, the minute hand and reading clock faces for o'clock, quarter past, half past and quarter to. Other areas of the curriculum include using the direction keys in Computing, starting our class dance for the Dance Festival Competition, Exploring the Big Story of Easter from the Bible and identifying whilst comparing materials based on their properties.

## Notices

Please return **PE kits** to school on the first day back as we will be starting our class dances that day. Thank you.

In preparation for our DT curriculum, please can children bring in two cardboard boxes to school by **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March**. We will need a cereal sized box for a moving vehicle and a larger, sturdier box for a Tudor inspired house. Please see class whiteboards after half term for further information.

**Half Term Challenge**-In preparation for our Great Fire of London learning, we would like to invite the children to find a Tudor house over half term and notice it's timber appearance. We invite them to bring in any sketches they draw to share with their peers after the half term break. We cannot wait to hear about and see their research!

We wish you a wonderful half term with your families.

