

HEADCORN HEADLINES

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URGENCY	GENERAL WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS				
Head's Lines 	Thank you to everyone for your generosity on our non-uniform day. This year your donations have raised an amazing £226.00 in aid of Children in Need! We had our first EYFS/KS1 assembly today and it was a big success as we danced ourselves awake to the 'Wake Up!' song... we even had some parents joining in! Thank you to Year 1 for sharing their collage sea monsters with us and to all the KS1 participants in the 'Picture Book Competition'. Your entries were delightful and winners will be announced very soon with prizes to be chosen from the Book Fair when it arrives this week.				
The week ahead	Monday 20 Nov	Tuesday 21 Nov	Wednesday 22 Nov	Thursday 23 Nov	Friday 24 Nov
					Celebration Assembly – Year 4 Sharing <i>After school Book Fair</i>
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	We are aware of the benefits of social media as a tool for communication but please can we all commit to ensuring that we do not share full names of your own or other children when discussing school matters on things such as Facebook, Twitter, etc. This is an important safeguarding issue and we all need to work together to ensure that all members of our school community are protected.				
	We will be inviting parents into school to eat a school lunch with their children and would like to start by asking Year 2 parents to come in on Tuesday, 28 November . If you wish to book a place, please speak to the school office.				
	If you have returned your TLC appointment slip, a confirmation will be coming home with your child today. If you have not returned your slip, please return as soon as possible.				
	We are looking for a Star Costume for our Nativity Play. If you have one that we could borrow please let Mrs Day know on the playground. Thank you.				
	Choir Christmas Gig! : It would be lovely if you were able to support the HP Singers as they perform at Foreman's Walk for Headcorn's Christmas Village Fair on Saturday, 25 November from 4:15 – 5pm. This is our first 'gig' of this festive season and we will be performing some traditional and some modern Christmas numbers.				
	Due to dark evenings, week commencing Monday, 20 November will be the last week for all Sports Clubs .				
	In January we will be moving to an online uniform provider and will no longer hold stock in school after this time. More details of the order process will follow in due course, however, in the meantime we have the usual uniform for sale including all fleeces and reversible fleeces at a price of £10.00 each.				
	The Book Fair , which helps to raise money for precious books, will be held after school each day from Friday, 24 November until the following Thursday. Please come to the school office where you will be directed to the book sale.				
	If your child(ren) do not yet have their Wellington boots in school, please could you send them in as soon as possible. It is now getting muddy in our outside play area and children without boots will be unable to play outside. Please could all Nativity costumes be in school asap.				
	This year's church service will be held in St Peter and St Paul's church at 10am on Tuesday 19 th December. Due to increasing numbers and the suitability of this service for younger pupils we will be opening this event to Key Stage 2 (Year 3-6) only. Parents and carers from Year R-Year 2 are welcome to join us.				

PTFA



Christmas Bazaar – Saturday, 9 December 1.00pm to 4.00pm. **Santa will be in his Grotto** and letters will be out soon with details of how to book a time slot. We will once again be having a **present room** where children can choose gifts and have them wrapped, if anyone has donations of unused items such as toiletries, toys, unwanted gifts please pass them to your class rep. **Raffle tickets** will be coming home shortly. The raffle will be drawn at the Bazaar and we have some wonderful prizes. Please can any unwanted tickets be returned to the school so that we can sell them elsewhere.

SPORT

Basketball @ The Lenham School...

Headcorn School took part in a Kent School Games Basketball competition hosted by The Lenham School on Wednesday, 15 November. This was a round robin event with all schools playing for a final positioning in the league. A total of eight teams took part in the event, with some very good basketball being played by all. Headcorn took a little while to warm up with the first game ending in a defeat to Lenham. However, as the tournament progressed Headcorn managed to gain a better footing against the teams they played, winning and drawing the next two games. Headcorn eventually finished in 7th place but will use the experience gained in future competitions. Well done to everyone involved and thank you to all the parents for their support throughout the event.

Home	Score	Away	Pts
Headcorn	0-5	Lenham	0
East Borough	17-0	Headcorn	0
Oaks Academy	5-6	Headcorn	0
Headcorn	3-2	East Borough B	3
Headcorn	0-0	Lenham B	1
Headcorn	2-3	Holy Family	0
Senacre	6-4	Headcorn	0

Cross Country

With heavy pouring rain unleashed on our arrival at Cranbrook Rugby Club for the annual Cross Country, we knew that the event was going to be a very muddy one. On Tuesday 7th October a team of 16 pupils from Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 took part in 8 races at the rugby ground, with separate races for boys and girls. The team did exceptionally well with the majority of our runners finishing inside the top 10 competitors. It seems that our previous participation in events at Mote Park, earlier in the year, have really given the children an extra edge in this competition. With a team trophy presented to the school team that finished with the lowest cumulative time score. Goudhurst won the Year 3&4 trophy while Horsmonden retained the Year 5&6 trophy for second year running. Well done to all those who took part. Below are a few of the results from the races that took place.

Isabelle Yr6 (2nd place), Josh Yr6 (11th place), Jack Yr6 (10th place), Sam Yr5 (3rd place), Freddie Yr5 (10th place), Nina Yr5 (4th place), Chloe Yr5 (10th place)

<p>CONTRACT DINING</p>	<p>Don't forget that Tuesday and Thursday are lucky plate days! There will be 10 spot prizes on each of those days. Week commencing 20 November is Winter Warmer Week. You should all have received your menu a few weeks ago, however, a copy is attached as a reminder.</p>																
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<p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: CHEETAHS</p>  <p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: LEOPARDS</p> 	<p>Thank you for all the Home Learning Christmas decorations that have been sent in early, they are all looking fantastic and your participation in your child's learning is very much appreciated! If anyone is having any difficulties with resources, please don't hesitate to speak to Miss Man or myself. The date for all decorations to be in school in the 28 November.</p> <p>The next set of letter sounds that we will all be learning will be ck, u, b, f and e. We have started to encourage some children to write simple sentences. Please ask your child(ren) to show you their lovely writing at home. Practising their new learning at home really does make such a difference to the amount of progress that is made, as well as improving each child's level of confidence.</p> <p>Please don't forget to look at our Early Years Blog to see all the lovely learning the children have been doing!</p> <p>If your child(ren) do not yet have their Wellington boots in school, please could you send them in as soon as possible. It is now getting muddy in our outside play area and children without boots will be unable to play outside.</p> <p>Please could all Nativity costumes be in school asap.</p>																
<p>YEAR 1 CLASS: TIGERS</p> 	<p>Thank you to all the parents and carers who have sent in their child's nativity costume. We have started to practise our dances and we are looking forward to sharing them with you at the nativity performance. It would be wonderful if your child could make a Christmas decoration at home over the next two weeks ready to put on our class Christmas tree.</p>																
<p>YEAR 2 CLASS: PUMAS</p> 	<p>Puma class has wow-ed us all this week with their amazing writing skills. From story writing, to Traction Man sequels to diary accounts inspired by The Great Fire of London. In Science, we have shared our food journals and have selected 3 things we are doing well and 3 things that we would like to improve about our diets. Even Mrs Randall is considering eating sprouts for Christmas!</p> <p>We also had our first Nativity run through. There will be no spellings or Mathematics homework set this week to allow the children to learn their lines and practise speaking them clearly. Well done to all those that have already learnt theirs and for the costumes that are starting to come in.</p> <p>Have a fabulous weekend!</p>																
<p>YEAR 3 CLASS: JAGUARS</p> 	<p>Jaguars have definitely embraced our topic of Extreme Earth by sharing some fantastic home learning this week, we've had erupting volcanoes, tornadoes in a bottle, earthquake emergency kits and a whole range of topic based writing so far. Amazing effort Jaguars! I have been really impressed with how hard the children have worked to use bar modelling to help them to solve their addition and subtraction calculations in maths. We have had some great results in times tables too - all of the practicing at home really makes a difference.</p>																

**YEAR 4 CLASS:
JUNGLE CATS**



We have received excellent fact files about wolves which was part of last weeks homework project. Presentation was very good and a lot of thought went into their creation. In class we have been working on our writing skills and trying to develop writing stamina. We have also been working on our dictionary and thesaurus skills. Remember to keep an eye on the class blog which will include homework sheets and photos of children and their work. As we are hoping to continue to use the field this term during break, we would kindly request some footwear for the children to wear at break times. Ideally wellies or old trainers that can get muddy and covered in grass. This will keep the children's feet warm and the building grass free! Please bring in a named plastic bag.

**YEAR 5 CLASS:
CARACALS**



As we are hoping to continue to use the field this term during break, we would kindly request some footwear for the children to wear at break times. Ideally wellies or old trainers that can get muddy and covered in grass. This will keep the children's feet warm and the building grass free! Please bring in a named plastic bag.

**YEAR 6 CLASS:
LIONS**



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