

HEADCORN HEADLINES

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URGENCY	GENERAL WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS				
<p>Head's Lines</p> 	<p>Congratulations to our HP Singers for their first 'gig' at the Christmas Village Event last Saturday. The choir, who are now 54 strong, sang their hearts out to a very large audience. We really are very proud of the effort and teamwork shown by all and say a heartfelt thank you for representing the school with such joy and enthusiasm....even in the dark and cold! Another big congratulations to the Basketball teams who played so skilfully on Wednesday. Parents have commented to me about how our school stands out head and shoulders above the rest for its sportsmanship and team spirit. Well done. Every child will come home with an Advent Calendar today. These have been provided by a charity called MAF who fly doctors to remote locations all over the world to meet the needs of people cut off from amenities. We will be learning about and partnering with this charity in 2018. Each window gives information about people across the world plus there are ways you can enter a competition with daily prizes and an overall prize of a flight in a light aircraft. Happy Advent!</p>				
<p>The week ahead</p>	<p>Monday 4 Dec</p>	<p>Tuesday 5 Dec</p> <p><i>Y1 Parent Lunch</i></p>	<p>Wednesday 6 Dec</p>	<p>Thursday 7 Dec</p>	<p>Friday 8 Dec</p> <p>Celebration Assembly – Year 3 Sharing <i>Non uniform day for Bottle Tombola</i></p>
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<p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center;">URGENT</p>	<p>Non uniform day on Friday 8, December for donations towards our Bottle Tombola at the PTFA Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, 9 December. The choir will be singing a couple of songs at 3pm for anyone who can attend. Thank you!</p>				
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center;">IMPORTANT</p>	<p>The weather is turning very cold now and we request that all pupils have a coat in school labelled clearly with their name. We recommend that you provide your child with a warm jumper/sweatshirt and jogging bottoms for any outdoor PE activities they may participate in particular for Years 4, 5 and 6 on Thursdays and Year 2 – 3 on Fridays.</p>				
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center;">ACTION</p>	<p>Recruiting for Family Chicken Crew! If any families would like to join our holiday rota we are looking for families to join our 'stalwarts' in letting out, feeding, egg-collecting, cuddling/stroking and tucking our chickens up in bed over the weekends and/or holiday times. If you can help, please email the office and we can find out your availability and put you on the rota. You get to keep any eggs you collect!</p>				
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center;">ACTION</p>	<p>The school nurses will be returning on Monday, 18 December to administer flu immunisations to Years 2, 3 and 4.</p>				
<p style="background-color: red; color: white; text-align: center;">ACTION</p>	<p>Sports clubs are now finished and will return in the Spring Term.</p>				
<p style="background-color: yellow; color: black; text-align: center;">ACTION</p>	<p>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.</p>				
<p style="background-color: yellow; color: black; text-align: center;">ACTION</p>	<p>Attached is a form from Maidstone Cricket Academy Coaching for any children who would like to attend the coaching programme. It is designed to give fun and enjoyment in playing cricket, the learning the batting, bowling and fielding skills as well as playing Kwik Cricket. All the information is on the application form.</p>				
<p style="text-align: center;">SPORTS</p>	<p><u>Basketball @ Cranbrook School</u> Under the warm fluorescent glow of the gymnasium lights of Cranbrook School, Headcorn took part in a Kent School Games Basketball competition on Wednesday 29th November. With so many children wanting to take part we were able to field both an A and B team at this event. Teams were made up of a mixture of year 5 and 6 pupils, who really complimented each other with their styles of play. During the group games pupils from both Headcorn teams played some exceptional basketball, showing good levels of fair</p>				

competition and passing. Not allowing any team they faced to get the better of them. Our A team were victorious in all of the games they played, beating teams such as Goudhurst, Cranbrook, Lamberhurst and Marden on the way to the semi-finals. Headcorn kicked into an even higher gear during their semi-final against Goudhurst eventually winning 12-2 at the final whistle. The grand final saw Headcorn take on Colliers Green losing by a mere 2pts, in a very tight game, to finish runners-up for the Cranbrook area.

Well done to all the children who took part you are a credit to Headcorn School and thank you to the parents for their continued support during the tournament. A full list of results can be viewed below...

Team A

Home	Score	Away	Points
Headcorn A	8:6	Marden	3pts
Goudhurst B	5:9	Headcorn A	3pts
Headcorn A	17:0	Cranbrook A	3pts
Headcorn A	12:2	Lamberhurst	3pts
Semi Final			
Headcorn A	12:2	Goudhurst A	Headcorn To Finals
Final			
Headcorn A	8:10	Colliers Green	Headcorn Runners-Up

Team B

Home	Score	Away	Points
Colliers Green	6:6	Headcorn B	1pt
Cranbrook B	1:5	Headcorn B	3pts
Headcorn B	3:3	Sissinghurst	1pt
Goudhurst A	5:4	Headcorn B	0

A big thank you to all the volunteers who sold mulled wine and raffle tickets at the Headcorn Christmas Fair. We made a profit of £257 on the mulled wine sales, this was supported by the Weald of Kent Rotary who donated half the wine.

Christmas Bazaar Saturday 9th December 1pm – 4pm

- Please could all raffle tickets sold or unsold be returned to the school by the end of next week
- We are still collecting any unused gifts you may have for the present room – please pass these to your class reps
- Please could we have donations of cakes/biscuits for the café at the bazaar, these can be brought to school on Friday 8th or on the day of the bazaar.
- As always if anyone can spare any time to help on the day that would be greatly appreciated.

PTFA



<p>CONTRACT DINING COMPANY</p>	<p>Please can we remind all parents that dinners should be paid for in advance via the online payments system. Don't forget that Tuesday and Thursday are lucky plate days! There will be 10 spot prizes on each of those days.</p>																
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<p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: CHEETAHS</p>  <p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: LEOPARDS</p> 	<p>We would like to thank all the children and Parents for attending the TLCs. It was lovely to see the children sharing their learning with such passion and enthusiasm. We both really enjoyed discussing how well each child has settled at school and the progress they have made.</p> <p>Please could all Nativity costumes be in school by Monday.</p> <p>As Winter is now upon us, we will be starting to talk about the changes we see outside and of course, starting our Christmas topic! Please could each child bring in one white sock and one coloured sock in a labelled bag, as we will be making 3D snowmen.</p> <p>If at any point there is anything that you need more information on or need clarifying, both Miss Man and myself are around at the end of the day if you wish to come and speak with us, we will be happy to help.</p> <p>Thank you for your continuing support with your child's learning, it is very much appreciated.</p>																
<p>YEAR 1 CLASS: TIGERS</p> 	<p>It was a real pleasure to speak to you all during parental consultations and it was wonderful to see the children being so proud to share their learning with you. Preparations for our Nativity dances are going well. Thank you for bringing in any remaining costumes by Monday.</p>																
<p>YEAR 2 CLASS: PUMAS</p> 	<p>Another busy week for Puma class as we got to share our excellent 'Traction Man the Sequels' with both reception classes – what a brilliant audience they were too!</p> <p>We have also continued learning about money and finding equal amounts using different coins. In History the class have been 17th Century architects, redesigning London after The Great Fire – they have certainly added some colour to it!</p> <p>Thank you so much for all the wellies that are coming in and for all the Nativity costumes. Deadline for the remaining ones is MONDAY 4th DECEMBER!</p>																
<p>YEAR 3 CLASS: JAGUARS</p> 	<p>The Jaguars have been enjoying making their own mini volcanoes, we're aiming for an explosive end of term when we (hopefully) get them all to erupt! We have been using our multiplication skills in maths to prepare us for our division work before the end of term.</p> <p>The children have been exploring fossils and looking at some great examples in class - I feel we might have a few budding paleontologists among us. They have used our book, 'The Pebble in my Pocket,' to produce some really descriptive writing this week.</p> <p>As discussed in many of our TLC appointments please encourage your children to regularly share their reading with you, whether they are reading to you or you to them or just talking about what they have read, it really does make a difference. Thank you</p>																
<p>YEAR 4 CLASS: JUNGLE CATS</p> 	<p>There have been many highlights this week, perhaps the most enjoyable has been the Year 4 visits to Culpepper and Yew Tree Residential home to meet the older generation of Headcorn. The children read stories and spoke to them about their work. As expected the class were respectful, polite and very articulate. Another highlight of the week was meeting parents to talk about their children's learning and for parents to see the work in their books. Don't forget that homework and spellings are on the class blog, which are posted on Friday afternoon.</p>																

**YEAR 5 CLASS:
CARACALS**



Thank you for the wonderful TLCs. It was lovely to see you all. It is always a pleasure to chat about such a hardworking and enthusiastic bunch of learners.

As requested by a few people at TLCs, the Maths Curriculum overview for the whole of Year 5 is now available on the Caracal blog. Go to correct page and click the link.

**YEAR 6 CLASS:
LIONS**



Thank you to everyone for your marvellous fraction cakes. We have really enjoyed seeing AND sampling the cakes!