

HEADCORN HEADLINES

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URGENCY	GENERAL WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS				
Head's Lines 	<p>We have had a fantastic day with our new Reception classes. Thank you to everyone for your support and co-operation at pick up and drop off times. We really appreciate your understanding and patience with these new systems as we welcome all our new children and families to our school.</p>				
The week ahead	Mon 24 Sept	Tue 25 Sept	Wed 26 Sept	Thurs 27 Sept	Fri 28 Sept
			YR First Class Photo (KM Newspaper)		Celebration Assembly Year 5 & 6 ONLY
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	All flu vaccination letters must to be returned to school by Monday, 24 September.				
	Please remember to book your Extended Day places in advance. Our wraparound care provision is becoming gradually busier and all sessions must be booked and paid for in advance.				
	Please ensure that your child has a healthy NUT FREE break time snack (fruit, vegetables or cereal bars only). The pupils in Key Stage 2 (Years 3 - 6) now have a slightly later lunch and need some sustenance to keep them going until lunch time!				
	Cleaning positions are available within school. Hours negotiable between 4 – 8 pm. Contact denyse@metro-cleaning.co.uk . A DBS check will be required.				
	<p>If anyone has any good quality toys that they are looking to part with, then we would really love to give them a good home! We are looking to share resources with other year groups to develop shared learning areas and are in desperate need of small world play toys such as a wooden dolls house, pirate ship, train set, cars, farm, knights castle, Barbies, Action men, dolls etc.</p> <p>We are also looking for balance bikes suitable for 4-6 year olds. Lego and building toys for early construction skills would also be greatly received. Please speak to Mrs Day if you have anything that you are looking to rehome. Many thanks, all help is greatly appreciated!</p>				
SCHOOL DINNERS	<p>Don't forget to book your place for a parent lunch: Year 2: Pumas – w/c 24 September Year 3: Jaguars – w/c 1 October Year RA: Cheetahs – w/c 8 October Year RB: Leopards – w/c 15 October Years 4, 5, 6 dates to be confirmed</p> <p>You are also welcome to join your child for lunch on their birthday. As the school grows we are beginning to stagger lunchtimes for each year group. This does mean that we can no longer remove an older or younger child from class to join their sibling. You will, however, be able to join them separately on their birthday.</p> <p>For children in YR, Year 1 and Year 2 meals are free. Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are £2.20 and adults £2.50. All meals include the salad bar, homemade wholemeal bread, dessert or cheese and biscuits.</p> <p>Payments for parents are not made into the child's account but via the 'parent lunch' option on scopay.com. Click the drop down box to the left and select how many meals you wish to pay for. Likewise with 'sibling lunch'.</p>				

<p>PTFA</p>	<p>All Class Reps, parents and carers are welcome to join the PTFA Committee for cheese and wine on Monday 24th September 2018 from 8pm in the school hall. The agenda is as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apologies 2. Approve previous meeting minutes 3. Matters arising 4. Welcome new parents - 'who's who' 5. Fireworks update 6. Christmas activities 7. GDPR update 8. Treasurer's report 9. Head Teacher report & bid requests 10. Any other business <p>Minutes from our last meeting in July can be viewed at http://www.headcorn.kent.sch.uk/media/1604/ptfa-meeting-minutes-9-july-2018-final-1.pdf.</p> <p>If you can't make the meeting but have any comments or suggestions, please email us at info@headcornschoolptfa.org.uk</p> <p><u>Other important dates for your diary:</u></p> <p>Due to ongoing works in the school hall, we've made the decision not to hold a Spooky Disco this year; instead we'll be having Cake Sale after school on Friday 19th October - more details to follow.</p> <p>Fireworks & Bonfire on the school field - Sunday 4th November 2018</p> <p><u>Keeping in the loop:</u></p> <p>If you're not already a member, please join the Headcorn School PTFA Facebook page; open to all parents, carers and friends of the community keeping up to date on events and activities.</p>
<p>DIARY DATES</p>	<p>Dates for your Diary:</p> <p>Fri 28th Sept - Yr 5 & 6 Celebration Assembly</p> <p>Fri 5th Oct - Yr 1 & 2 Celebration Assembly</p> <p>Tues 9th Oct - Flu Immunisations for Years R - 5</p> <p>Fri 12th Oct - Yr 3 & 4 Celebration Assembly</p> <p>Fri 19th Oct - Yr R Celebration Assembly</p> <p>Fri 19th Oct - End of Term 1</p> <p>Mon 29th Oct - Start of Term 2</p> <p>Mon 5th Nov - Individual School Photographs</p> <p>Tues 27th Nov - Termly Learning Conferences</p> <p>Tues 4th Dec - Termly Learning Conferences</p> <p>Tues 11th Dec - Yr R & 1 Nativity 1 @ 1.45pm</p> <p>Wed 12th Dec - Yr R & 1 Nativity 2 @ 5.30pm</p> <p>Fri 14th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day</p> <p>Fri 14th Dec - Christmas Lunch</p> <p>Fri 14th Dec - Yr 2 & 3 Performance 1 @ 6pm</p> <p>Mon 17th Dec - Yr 2 & 3 Performance 2 @ 1.45pm</p> <p>Tues 18th Dec - Yr 4, 5 & 6 Church Service @ 10am (TBC)</p> <p>Wed 19th Dec - End of Term 2</p> <p>Thu 3rd Jan - INSET Day</p> <p>Fri 4th Jan - INSET Day</p> <p>Mon 7th Jan - Start of Term 3</p>

<p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: CHEETAHS</p>  <p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: LEOPARDS</p> 	<p>Well done Cheetah and Leopard Class on completing your first full day of school! We hope you all enjoyed your yummy school lunch!</p> <p>Please remember to check your child's book bag every day for important letters such as the menu choice for the coming week. Please ensure that menu choices are returned to school each Monday via your child's book bag so that lunch times can be a positive experience for your child.</p> <p>Could all children bring a full up named water bottle (water only) to school each day, so that all children have access to water whenever they require a drink in the classroom. Could PE kits and welly boots be sent into school as soon as possible please.</p> <p>If anyone has any good quality toys that they are looking to part with, then we would really love to give them a good home! We are looking to share resources with other year groups to develop shared learning areas and are in desperate need of small world play toys such as a wooden dolls house, pirate ship, train set, cars, farm, knights castle, Barbies, Action men, dolls etc. We are also looking for balance bikes suitable for 4-6 year olds. Lego and building toys for early construction skills would also be greatly received. Please speak to Mrs Day if you have anything that you are looking to rehome. Many thanks, all help is greatly appreciated!</p> <p>Please check your child's hair frequently for headlice and treat as required as we have already had our first case of headlice in Reception reported.</p>
<p>YEAR 1A CLASS: TIGERS</p>  <p>YEAR 1B CLASS: LYNX</p> 	<p>We have had a lovely week in Year 1 and the children have wowed us with their understanding of 'one more' and 'one less' in Maths. Next week we will be developing our understanding of 'greater than', 'less than' and 'equal to'. We will be starting our new book, but the children will find out what it is as a "slow reveal" as this approach develops their literacy skills. It is delightful to observe all the children during outdoor learning sessions, especially the way in which they treat all creatures with care and respect. Well done Year 1 children!</p>
<p>YEAR 2 CLASS: PUMAS</p> 	<p>We've had a busy week preparing for our flight to Kenya. The children displayed their creative skills by spending an afternoon recycling cardboard boxes and making props for our flight. We've had suitcases made, cabin crew badges and inflight entertainment all crucial for our flight that we took on Friday.</p> <p>In Maths we have been practising counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and have loved dancing away and singing whilst practising these skills. If the children could continue to practise recalling these at home, that would be brilliant.</p> <p>This week we also started our rotational PE lessons with Year 3. The sports offered for the next three terms are Football, Hockey and Yoga and each term the children will get to experience a different sport. Could we please ask that if your child is currently doing hockey that they bring in some shin pads and a gum shield if they have them - thank you.</p> <p>Please remember to name all jumpers, fleeces and cardigans and to bring in a bottle of water. Learning can be thirsty work!</p>
<p>YEAR 3 CLASS: JAGUARS</p> 	<p>This week the children have been designing their own Seawigs which we will start making next week. If they want to bring in any extra pieces for this they are welcome to - check their contact books for some ideas. Can they tell you what a Seawig is?!</p> <p>The Jaguars really enjoyed their PE rotations this week, engaging in either football, hockey or yoga. Could we please ask that if your child is currently doing hockey that they bring in some shin pads and a gum shield if they have them - thank you. I was also really impressed with their gymnastic skills on Monday where they currently have the opportunity to work with a PE teacher from The Lenham School; we witnessed some very creative balances!</p> <p>Wednesday is European Language Day and the children will get to experience a range of activities during the day based on different European countries.</p>

**YEAR 4 CLASS:
JUNGLE CATS**



'Hello everyone! Term 1 is well underway now (these three weeks seem to have flown by) and we are starting to get into the swing of things!

We are looking at rounding and estimation in mathematics so any support with that at home would be greatly appreciated. We are also continuing to research and learn about the Romans and their impact on Britain. Please can we make sure we have homework folders in on Wednesday and they will be returned to children on Friday. Mathematics logins will be given out this week. Please look out for work that will be set on there.

Can I also add all year 4 students who are participating in Hockey as part of our PE sessions will need shin pads and gum shields for safety. **If they do not have shin pads and gum shields they will not be able to participate.**

Looking forward to seeing more home learning in the near future!

**YEAR 5 CLASS:
CARACALS**



PE has well and truly started. Although we have lessons scheduled for Monday, Tuesday and every other Wednesday, it would be helpful to keep kits in school all week. Please remember to include socks if you wear tights to school and hair should also be tied back, so a spare hairband would be useful. If you are doing Hockey as an option on Mondays you will also need a gum shield and shin pads.

The home learning has been of really good quality this year so far...keep it up! If you lose the sheet with all the information on, or need anything clarifying, please don't hesitate to speak to me and I will be happy to help.

**YEAR 6 CLASS:
LIONS**



If your child is participating in secondary school visits, please let the office know and whether or not they will require a school dinner.