

HEADCORN HEADLINES

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URGENCY	GENERAL WHOLE SCHOOL ITEMS
<p>Head's Lines</p> 	<p>Congratulations to everyone who logged their hours for our 1000Hours Kindness Revolution. We totalled 617hours! This is FANTASTIC! The whole collective logged 13,104hours (10,500 hours which were logged by primary age children across Ashford schools and the surrounding areas). This is fantastic and we hope to continue with little mini projects over the coming months to keep this kindness momentum alive and kicking! For a future project we will be making Christmas cards which will then be hand delivered to the local businesses and homes around our school site. If anyone has any other ideas how we can show kindness to our community in the run up to Christmas or in the new year then please let me know.</p> <p>Well done to the PTFA Fireworks Team and thank you to everyone who supported this lovely event. We had around 800 people on site enjoying hotdogs, waffles, a roaring bonfire and a stunning fireworks display. Thank you to the team who ensured that the event ran smoothly and safely so that everyone could relax and enjoy themselves. This event raised £1600! WOW.</p> <p>As you are all aware I am sure, this year's Remembrance Sunday marks 100 years since the end of World War 1. The school has representatives laying a wreath at the memorial event in the village this coming Sunday. As a school we have been learning about this special day and why we take this time to ensure that we remember everyone's sacrifice to provide us with the liberty we live in today. To mark this occasion all of the children have made something to create a beautiful Remembrance display in the entrance hall. Well done Headcorn School. You've done us all proud once again.</p>    

The week ahead	Mon 12 Nov	Tues 13 Nov	Wed 14 Nov	Thurs 15 Nov	Fri 16 Nov
		Year 3 Trip to Maidstone Museum			KS2 Celebration Assembly: Y6 Sharing
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	In the lost property box in the main entrance there are a number of coats and school sweatshirts/cardigans without names.				
INDEPENDENT CATERING	<p>We are inviting Years 5 and 6 parents for lunch on the following weeks: Year 5 – week commencing Monday, 12 November Year 6 – week commencing Monday, 19 November</p> <p>Please book online via scopay.com and let the office know which day you will attend with your meal choice. Payments for parent lunches should be made via the ‘parent lunch’ option on scopay.com and not into the child’s account. Click the drop down box to the left and select how many meals you wish to pay for. Likewise with ‘sibling lunch’.</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 £2.65. All meals include the salad bar, homemade wholemeal bread, dessert or cheese and biscuits.</p> <p>You are also welcome to join your child for a birthday lunch. As the school grows we are staggering 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>				
WRAPAROUND CARE	We’ve had a really fun week making firework crafts, painting poppies and the children have loved having the obstacle course out. On afternoons when the weather has been finer we are still enjoying going outside onto the school field.				
PTFA	<p>Thank you to everyone who joined the Fireworks & Bonfire extravaganza on Sunday night. The PTFA Committee thank Jen & Aaron Davey, Vikki Nesbitt and David Gardner for all their time and commitment organising a spectacular display this year! Thanks also goes to our team of volunteers (parents, a grandparent and school staff) for assisting on the night! We raised an amazing £1600!!!</p> <p>If you're free tomorrow, Saturday 10th November from 10am-11am, the team require assistance with clearing the bonfire from the field. Please email: fireworks@headcornschoolptfa.org.uk for more information.</p> <p>We're excited to have distributed your APFS Christmas cards/gift wrap/tags via book bags a week earlier than anticipated! Any queries, please contact Maz Stack or the school office.</p> <p>HALLOWEEN SWEET AMNESTY we're still collecting any surplus sweets at the School Office</p> <p>PTFA Christmas newsletters have been distributed via bookbags this week, please take moment to catch up on our festive fundraisers.</p> <p>Dates for your Diary:</p> <p>Monday 26th November - 8pm - PTFA Meeting Monday 19th November - last day to order Christmas Baubles (Reception classes & new pupils) Saturday 1st December 12pm to 5pm - PTFA will host a stall at the Headcorn Christmas Fair Friday 7th December - Non Uniform Day (Bring a Bottle) and PTFA Christmas Bazaar (School Hall) 3.30pm to 5.30pm</p>				
DIARY DATES	<p>Tues 27th Nov - Termly Learning Conferences Tues 4th Dec - Termly Learning Conferences Tues 11th Dec - Yr R & 1 Nativity 1 @ 1.45pm Wed 12th Dec - Yr R & 1 Nativity 2 @ 5.30pm Fri 14th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day Fri 14th Dec - Christmas Lunch Fri 14th Dec - Yr 2 & 3 Performance 1 @ 6pm Mon 17th Dec - Yr 2 & 3 Performance 2 @ 1.45pm Tues 18th Dec - Yr 4, 5 & 6 Church Service @ 10am (TBC) Wed 19th Dec - End of Term 2 Thu 3rd Jan - INSET Day Fri 4th Jan - INSET Day Mon 7th Jan - Start of Term 3</p>				

<p style="text-align: center;">SPORTS</p>	<p>This week pupils from Years 3&4 were involved in a Sports Hall Athletics competition hosted by Maplesden Noakes Secondary School in Maidstone. Children took part in events on both the track and field such as long jump, 4x1 relay, javelin and the popular Over and Under race. Everyone had a lot of fun! When all the scores were totalled up Headcorn finished in 4th place overall with 230 points. Well done to everyone involved and also thank you for the fantastic support from all our parents. Our next event is Basketball at The Lenham School.</p> <p>Please make sure your child wears warm clothes and brings a waterproof to Football Club.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">   </div>
<p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: CHEETAHS</p>  <p>EARLY YEARS CLASS: LEOPARDS</p> 	<p>What a busy couple of weeks we have had celebrating Halloween and then Bonfire Night! Children have been involved in many different fun activities such as carving pumpkins, making pumpkin faces, using a range of media to make firework pictures as well as making their own 3D rockets! We have also made Poppy pictures for Remembrance which will be used in a whole school display. Next week we will be learning all about Diwali and talking about the different festivals that some people celebrate.</p> <p>The sounds that we will be covering next week include c, k and u. Children are going from strength to strength with their blending and we are now able to make and write lots of different words. Please continue to support your child at home as this makes such a difference to the learning and their confidence. Your on-going support is very much appreciated.</p> <p>Please ensure that your child has a spare pair of underwear and tracksuit bottoms or leggings in their bookbag in case of any wetting accidents. Also, please make sure that water bottles and all uniform items are named to avoid any confusion.</p>
<p>YEAR 1A CLASS: TIGERS</p>  <p>YEAR 1B CLASS: LYNX</p> 	<p>This week we have been working on subtraction and working out maths problems using it. They have been applying their knowledge of the part whole model to taking away. Our book for this term is How to Find Gold by Viviane Schwarz. The characters from the book take a sea journey so the children have used their imaginations to make collaged sea monsters which will form part of our classroom displays. If you are thinking of buying this book, please could you refrain from reading it to your child as our teaching sessions incorporate a 'slow reveal' of the story in order for the children to develop a deep understanding of it. By the end of the sequence, the children get to know the book so well and are able to read it by themselves (should Santa be interested!). The children have been very interested in finding out about Remembrance Day and have shown great empathy. They have written about it, made a poppy wreath from egg boxes and created clay poppies which they will bring home to you once painted and dry. In Science next week we will be exploring the properties of materials and using vocabulary such as 'flexible', 'rigid', 'waterproof' etc. so please use any opportunities you can to incorporate this language at home.</p>
<p>YEAR 2 CLASS: PUMAS</p> 	<p>It was great to see so many of you at our Celebration Assembly – we hope you enjoyed seeing our work so far on Halibut Jackson, we have certainly been trying hard to use adjectives.</p> <p>In Maths we have started our topic on Money and the children have impressed me with their handle of this real life topic, finding a range of ways of making different amounts of money.</p> <p>We have also spent some time discussing Remembrance Day and making pinwheel poppies – the display in the reception area looks great!</p> <p>In Music we have started to learn our Nativity songs and costume ideas will be coming out soon.</p> <p>Please can we remind all children to have their reading books and contact books in EVERY day as we'd hate for them to miss out on any opportunities of reading with an adult. Also children still need to have a pair of wellies in so they can use the field at lunchtime.</p> <p>Have a great weekend!</p>

<p>YEAR 3 CLASS: JAGUARS</p> 	<p>Jaguars are buzzing with nativity news this week! We have begun to allocate parts and sing some of the songs, some are definitely proving to be quite catchy! If your child has lines to learn, these will be sent home soon as well as the song words to learn. Our new topic is Extreme Earth, we began by thinking about what is beneath our feet then looking at the layers of the earth. In maths we are looking at multiplication, focusing on the 3 x table, the Jaguars are continuing to impress me with their times tables skills. The children have been busy creating their own ending to 'Oliver and the Seawigs@ before starting our new book next week. We are all looking forward to our trip to Maidstone Museum next Tuesday, the children will need to be in full uniform and bring a packed lunch.</p>
<p>YEAR 4 CLASS: JUNGLE CATS</p> 	<p>This week in Jungle Cats we have been doing lots of work around Armistice Day with understanding the meaning behind poppies and why we commemorate the 11th of November. We have also been working on subtraction with using a number line and column method (very tricky stuff!). We have been working on our amazing geography portfolios and are looking forward to finding some fascinating facts about different countries!</p> <p>Children have been given this terms homework sheets and work has already started coming in which is fantastic. Weekly spellings are also going out as well as mathletics work being put up. We also are looking forward to having Victrix coming into school for a whole day of Roman activities on 17 December so forms need to be returned as soon as possible please. PE activities have been chosen this term so please make sure children have correct PE kit in school.</p> <p>Hope everyone has a great weekend!</p>
<p>YEAR 5 CLASS: CARACALS</p> 	<p>Our goal is to win the Maths Mammoth. To do this each child needs to earn a 1000points on Mathletics during the week. I have set a range of activities which the children can complete and of course they can do the Mathletics live. If there are difficulties accessing a computer please let me know and we can make one available during breaks if needed. Let's work together to win!</p>
<p>YEAR 6 CLASS: LIONS</p> 	<p>Year 6 have been working valiantly this week and we have now reached the end of our long division adventure. If we could continue our wonderful record on Mathletics by looking to consolidate areas, such as division and long multiplication that we have learnt in class, we will make fantastic progress over the course of the year.</p> <p>In English, we have focussed on poetry this week and wrote some wonderful poems in memory of the fallen. I feel as a class we have really delved deep into the topic of WW1 and I am very proud of all our efforts and enthusiasm to learn about this fascinating period of history.</p> <p>I wish everyone well for Remembrance Day and hope you all have a great weekend!</p>