



## HEADCORN HEADLINES: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to those parents who have sent in their **Parent Governor nominations**. As we have more applicants than positions available, we will need to hold a vote. This information will be sent out early next week.



**October is well and truly here** and sees us navigating **a very mixed bag of weather**.

However sunny it seems to be in the morning, please ensure your child comes suitably dressed to school with a coat for any unexpected downpours, otherwise they could end up looking like Teddy here!

**Scooters** and **bikes** are welcome back on site now that we have designated places for each year group to park up securely! You do not have to lock your property up as all areas are within our secure boundary.  
Year R and Year 1 – there are 2 purple pods just inside the green EYFS gate  
Year 2 – there is a metal stand on the wall just inside the green Keeler side gate  
Years 3 to 6 – there are purple pods on the air-raid shelter wall on the KS2 playground

This year for **Harvest Festival** we would like to gather food that can be sent to one of our local food banks. Items such as dried, jarred, or canned goods make ideal items for a food bank rather than fresh produce. More information will be sent out soon for collection dates and suggested donations.

**COMPETITION TIME!** We have had some great ideas for our new Core Values signage to visually represent our new values of **Aspiration, Inclusion** and **Resilience** along with our tag line of **Learning for life...** So, if you'd like to get an entry in, please get it to us either on paper or via email by **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. It doesn't have to be in the shape of a windmill, it could be based upon other local landmarks or interests or just a different shape, but it would be good to include our school colours of purple and yellow. So let the creative ideas flow!

Have a good weekend.  
Miss Symonds

### **PTFA Update**

#### **Dates for your diary**

- \*Friday 22nd October – Crazy hair and non-uniform day - dress in your own clothes and wear your hair as crazy as you like! £1 per family contribution, bucket collections on day
- \*Sunday 31st October – The PTFA will be hosting the Headcorn Halloween trail this year - starting at 4.30pm - more details coming soon!
- \*Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Guys for the competition need to be in school by this date
- \*Sunday 7th November – Headcorn Fireworks show - we are back! Tickets on sale soon, gates open at 4pm
- \*Saturday 27th November – Adult only Christmas Social - get your babysitters arranged! Quiz and disco - more details coming soon!

#### **Volunteers needed:**

We love putting on these amazing events for you all but we need help to do this as we are a small committee. Any time (no matter how small) you can give us is **hugely** appreciated:



#### **We need:**

- \*Halloween Project Team - volunteers to co-ordinate the organisation of the event in the run up and help out on the day
- \*Bucket collectors for Friday 22nd October at morning and afternoon drop off
- \*Volunteers for Fireworks - various roles including set up, at the show and clearing up
- \*Volunteers for the Christmas social - various roles including set up, on the night and clearing up

### Make a guy competition!

Every pupil or family are invited to take part in **our annual guy competition**. It's FREE to enter! Make your guy in whatever style you wish – traditional, superhero, cartoon character, famous person.....the choices are endless! Please bring your guy to school on **Tuesday 2nd November**. Please remember to put your name/s and class on the guy. Deliver to the main school entrance. The children will be asked to vote for their favourite guy and the winner will be announced on Friday 5th November. Please note the guys will be disposed of after the Fireworks event, therefore only use items you do not want returned. A family ticket is 2 adults, 2 children. If a ticket has already been purchased, then a refund will be given.



### PTFA Christmas Cards

It seems far too early to be talking Christmas but sorry....we're going to!! We like to get our personalised Christmas cards project started nice and early in the year to ensure they are with you in good time to make the Christmas post. Our much loved fundraiser returns this year with the opportunity to buy cards, wrapping paper, gift tags and mugs with your child's fantastic artwork on. We are also offering for siblings to take part this year too! Look out in school bags next week as we will be sending the artwork home along with ordering information.



### Headcorn History Show

Everybody will have a great opportunity to learn about local history at the Heart of Headcorn History Show on Saturday 30 October at 2pm in the Longmeadow Hall at Headcorn Village Hall. There will be 5 minute monologues delivered by villagers dressed up as monks, Romans, farmers, weavers, rebels, hop-pickers, noblewomen and troops returning from Dunkirk, amongst many other interesting characters from our local history. It will even feature local dinosaurs! Tickets are £5 and children are free (but must have a ticket and must be accompanied by an adult). For details of how to take part or to buy a ticket, please email [heartofheadcorn@gmail.com](mailto:heartofheadcorn@gmail.com)

If your child would like to come dressed up as a historical character themselves then there are some costume suggestions on here: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/The-Heart-of-Headcorn-Project>



### My 5 High 5

We are excited to be re-launching our whole school reading homework – **My 5 High 5**. Your children will be bringing home their **My 5 High 5** bookmark which needs to be completed as part of their reading homework. Each time they read during the week they simply need to add a tick and then make sure an adult signs it at the end of the week. The children need to bring their bookmarks into class for their teacher to collect the data so we can see which class can become our reading champions by the end of term!

