



HEADCORN HEADLINES: Friday 22nd April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the summer terms! I hope you had a good Easter break and were able to enjoy the sunshine.

Thank you for your patience with the **new Bromcom Parent App**. I know that there have been some complications and faults and we are working hard with the provider to sort these out as soon as possible.

Next Tuesday **Independent Catering** are holding a **Taster Session** in the Main Hall from 2.30pm. If you are interested and have not already signed up please register via this link <https://forms.gle/wQLbD3psQfPYp4eH8>

We are looking forward to seeing you at the events planned over the next two terms. See the '**Dates for your Diary**' section below so you don't miss out. We have our third **Book Look** coming up on **Tuesday 3rd May**, a **Reading Afternoon** on **Thursday 19th May** but before that our **PTFA-run Headcorn May Fair** is fast approaching with stalls, rides, food, drink, dancing, music and even a Dog Show which Teddy is secretly practising for!

Don't forget that it is **Non-uniform day** next Friday and instead of a financial donation we are asking families to bring in **bottles of drinks** for our **PTFA Bottle Tombola** at the May Fair. These bottles can be alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks in glass or plastic bottles as they are safely stored away from the children on site. There will be a collection point at both drop off gates.

We are excited for all these events to finally be returning and for the school to be opening up once again like it used to.

Enjoy the weekend!

Miss Symonds

Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 26th April: 2.30 – 3pm Independent Catering Taster Session

Friday 29th April: PTFA Non-uniform Day: Collection for Bottle Tombola

Monday 2nd May: Bank Holiday Monday / PTFA Headcorn May Fair 12 -4pm

Tuesday 3rd May: 3.10 – 4pm Term 5 Book Look

Thursday 5th May: Y3&4 Living Land Day visit

Friday 6th May: Young Voices choir @ the O2

Mon 9th – Thur 12th May: KS2 SATs week

Friday 13th May: Year 6 Visit to Parliament

Mon 16th & Tues 17th May: Year 6 Kench Hill Residential

Thursday 19th May: 2.30pm Reading Afternoon

Friday 27th May: End of Term 5

Monday 6th June: INSET Day 3 (no children in school)

Tuesday 7th June: Term 6 starts

Tuesday 21st June: 3.10 – 4pm Term 6 Book Look

Friday 24th June: Year 6 Bewl Water day trip

Monday 11th July: Sports Day! (a.m. YR&KS1 Sports Morning / Family Picnic / p.m. KS2 Sports Afternoon)

Monday 18th July: Rain-off Sports Day

Tuesday 19th July: End of Term 6 / End of Academic Year

Wednesday 20th July: INSET Day 4 (no children in school)

Thursday 21st July: INSET Day 5 (no children in school)

Monday 5th September: Start of New Academic Year / Start of Term 1: Year 1 – 6 Children Back in School!



NB: Day visits for Years R, 1, 2 and 5 are busy in the planning stages. Information coming soon!



Independent Catering Taster session - 26th April

This coming Tuesday Independent Catering are offering a Taster Session from 2.30pm onwards in the Main Hall to any parents or carers across the school that would like to sample the menu that day. If you are interested please register your interest by clicking this link <https://forms.gle/wQLbD3psQfPYp4eH8>



Nut Free Site: Update!

We are a nut free site as we have some children who have severe allergies to a variety of nuts. Please check wrapped food items for their contents as some have almond-based oils as an ingredient. **One new update to be aware of is that Nivea Kids Factor 50+ Coloured Spray suncream has an almond oil base!**

Assemblies

Every day the children have assemblies that are aimed at developing their understanding of the wider world, sharing our core values, and encouraging self-reflection. Next week we will be celebrating St George's Day, which is on the 23rd April.



PTFA Update:

Friday 29th April is non uniform day and we will be asking for donations of bottles for bottle tombola at the May Fair. Bottles can be anything they just need to be sealed and within expiry date. We will be collecting bottles at the school gates at morning drop off only. For children in breakfast club please leave on table in reception.



May Fair: Bank Holiday Monday, 2nd May 2022 We are in the final days of planning for the May Fair!

We are still in need of volunteers on the day please!!! We have about 15 hourly slots still available on different stalls between 12pm and 4pm - please contact Maz Stack ASAP if you can spare an hour or two or increase the help you have already offered. We are hoping to raise lots of money for the school, some of this is on our PTFA stalls, it would be a shame to have to withdraw one of our stalls because of lack of volunteers but at the moment this is a possibility!

You will find a letter sent home in school bags with some raffle tickets attached, if you can sell these to your friends or family please we would be grateful - there are some fantastic prizes - the reverse of the letter details them! **Return all tickets and money to the school office please by Thursday 28th April. Please also return any unsold tickets as we will sell these on the day - thank you!** Be lucky!!

This Term's Week 2 Curriculum Overview



Year R Cheetah & Leopard Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Maths: Visualise, make and describe spatial arrangements of 6. Name and use 2D shapes to make a robot.

English: Writing sentences about our robot.

Topic: Making a large-scale class robot to sort magnetic and non-magnetic materials.



Year 1 Tiger & Lynx Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Maths: Problem solving with equal and unequal groups and Arrays!

English: Creating a non-chronological report about the animals in our new book!

Science: We are doing an experiment which tells us how clouds are formed.



Year 2 Puma & Panther Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Maths: Reading scales and introducing kg, g ml and l. Any work you can do on these in your kitchens or around your house would be fantastic!

English: Exploring and using clues to predict what our new book will be for this term

DT: Taste-testing in our new 'Dips and Dippers' topic to find the best dip and dipper in the supermarkets!



Year 3 Jaguar & Pallas Cat Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

English: Writing a setting description from The Stone Age Boy including fronted adverbials

Maths: Looking at tenths as a fraction and a decimal

Other Subjects: Exploring what plants need to grow, Stone Age cave paintings



Year 4 Jungle Cat & Cougar Classes: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Maths: Decimals – different representations including 100 grids, part-whole models and number lines

English: Memorise & perform a short story and writing in role

Topic: The main parts of the digestive system, the significance of the Viking raids and how to create texture using pencil



Year 5 Caracal Class: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

Maths: Subtraction of fractions and mixed numbers

English: Poetry and letter writing

Other Subjects: Learning about the House of Wisdom and looking at the different parts of a flower



Year 6 Lion Class: Next Week's Curriculum Focus

English: We will be looking at a new book 'What Mr Darwin Saw'

Maths: Area, perimeter and volume

Science: Adaptation