



## Henbury View First School

*Every Child Matters, Every Moment Counts*

Headteacher: Mrs S Wall

Assistant Headteacher: Mr D Saunders

### Summer Term 2 2023. Newsletter 10.

#### Headteacher's Update

As we find ourselves at the end of the school year, I am extremely proud of all our pupils and dedicated staff in school. I just wanted to say a huge thank you for all your support this year. The pupils have been a real credit to you and shown their resilience and perseverance in all aspects of school life.

As we move into the new academic year, we will continue to seek and explore new and exciting learning opportunities to ensure that our pupils experience a wide and varied curriculum. The pupils have really enjoyed the range of opportunities which have been provided through off site visits, our sports week where they had the opportunity to take part in a variety of sporting activities. A particular highlight for me has been the creating the art piece as a whole school and I am so excited to see the finished piece in September. Many of the pupils were so engaged that they chose to work during their break time to create extra pieces. There will be an opportunity for you to come and see the completed work in September as we celebrate 30 years of Henbury, further information to follow.

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Champion who is putting her feet up and is looking forward to retirement, we held a surprise assembly for her earlier this week where all the children sang to her, and they presented her with a very special book of memories. Mr Wakelin is going to be the year 1 teacher at Parley First from September, we would like to wish him all the very best. Ms Huggett, who is the clerk to the Governors and works in the school office, will be leaving us as she has successfully secured a full-time role at QE school. We would also like to give our congratulations to Mrs Nicoll who is expecting but will be with us throughout the Autumn.

This term Miss Devitt-Brown successfully completed her apprenticeship with flying colours and has a Teaching Assistant role at Rushcombe First school. Mr Gray is going to become a father again and he will be taking paternity leave for the Autumn term, I am sure that he will share his news when the baby arrives.

As we say goodbye to our year 4 pupils, we look forward to our new pupils starting in Foundation. Wishing you all a very safe summer break.  
Best wishes, Sally Wall.

#### Thank you.

Thank you to the friends - who have provided a range of social activities and raising valuable funds which support our wider curriculum offer.

In the autumn term we have a friends meeting where we welcome everyone who would like to get involved in supporting our school. Everyone's support is invaluable to us.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

##### Summer Term dates:

18<sup>th</sup> July-Transition  
Afternoon.

18<sup>th</sup> July-KS2 Author  
workshop.

19<sup>th</sup> July - Year 4 leavers  
party day.

21<sup>st</sup> July - Last day of term.  
Finish @3.20pm.

##### Autumn term dates:

1<sup>st</sup> September-Inset day.

4<sup>th</sup> September-Children back  
at school.

11<sup>th</sup> September-Meet the  
teacher meetings

19<sup>th</sup> September-School  
photos.

22<sup>nd</sup> September-School Art  
unveiling.

4<sup>th</sup> October-New parent  
open evening.

17<sup>th</sup> October-EYFS Harvest  
celebration.

18<sup>th</sup> October-KS1 Harvest  
celebration.

19<sup>th</sup> October-KS2 Harvest  
celebration.

20<sup>th</sup> October-Last day of  
term.

Our website contains lots of vital information for parents and carers. This includes information about events, clubs, term dates, newsletters, governance information, policies, curriculum information and more. There is a section specifically for parents and we would appreciate it if you could make yourself familiar with the website. Our website is a hub of knowledge about the school, and we hope you find it useful.

Please use the website to access information wherever possible and let us know if there is anything you wish to see on the website. [Henbury View First School - Home](#)

### Wellbeing support

We recognise the summer holidays can be a busy and challenging times for families. We have an area of our school website dedicated to supporting parents and carers.

Please visit the Wellbeing Hub area of our website (located in the parents' section) for links to organisations and support over the holidays and beyond. [Henbury View First School - Wellbeing Hub](#)

### Feedback requests

We welcome feedback from parents on any aspects of the school. We would love to hear more about successes as well as improvements we could make.

Staff work extremely hard and whilst we have had some verbal feedback since reports have gone out and after trips/events, we would appreciate your comments in writing. It also helps the Governing Body at Henbury to get a fuller picture of all the hard work happening around the school.

Please email [office@henburyview.dorset.sch.uk](mailto:office@henburyview.dorset.sch.uk)

### Can you help?

During the holidays we know that many of you take the opportunity to sort and clear out toys and games, we would welcome any donations of:

- small cars
- small wooden trains
- a wooden garage
- car mats
- small plastic animals e.g., farm or zoo
- marble run
- small buckets and spades, sand moulds.



### Important Reminders

**Uniform-**We are looking forward to seeing all the children arriving back in September looking all shiny as they always do. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents that nail varnish, make up and jewellery are not part of our uniform. Children with pierced ears make wear a simple stud which must be either taped or removed on PE days.

**School phone number-**When calling parents our number ends in 178, however please do not call back on this number as it does not connect. Our telephone number is 01202 659179.

### Safeguarding/Child Protection Issues.

#### Safeguarding/Child Protection

Henbury View First School is committed to the safeguarding and welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

**If you have any concerns**, please contact the following people through the school office:

The designated child protection/safeguarding officer is: Mrs Sally Wall, Headteacher.

Our Family Support Worker is: Mrs Sharon Saunders