



Henbury View First School

Every Child Matters, Every Moment Counts

Headteacher: Mrs S Wall

Assistant Headteacher: Mr D Saunders

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Headteacher's Update

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It has been wonderful to see all our children this week, excited to see their friends and eager to share their news from the last few weeks. We are delighted to share that Mr Gray and his wife welcomed a little boy into their family and have named him Theodore, we are all very much looking forward to meeting him soon. Whilst Mr Gray is taking paternity leave, Miss Elms will be joining the year 2 team.

This newsletter is to provide key information and reminders for the first few weeks of term. We continue to populate the school website with key dates so please refer to calendar on the website.

Meet the teacher meetings.

The meetings will take place during the week beginning the 11th September, this will be an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and to give you an overview of what they will be learning during the year. Each class teacher will create a power point, which will be sent to parents and carers following the meetings. Meetings will take place in the classroom at 3.30 pm.

11th September—Year 2

12th September-Year 1

13th September- Year 4

15th September – Year 3.

How to contact your child's class teacher. At the beginning of the day if you have an urgent message to pass to the teacher, either give a message to the person on the gate, leave a message at the office or email the school office. If you would like to email the class teacher we have set up class emails account which teachers will check during their working day. We kindly request that parents do not email the staff emails directly and use the class email accounts as this is our way of ensuring that staff are not disturbed during their family time.

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Celebration assemblies. We would like to invite the parents/carers of children being celebrated each week to our Celebration Assembly. Celebration assemblies will be on Tuesday at 2.55 pm. We have agreed as a staff that we will email parents on the Thursday before the Tuesday assembly, if you are unable to attend we are more than happy for you to ask a family friend to attend on your behalf. We would like to ensure that the celebrations are authentic and reflect pupils work and achievements.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Autumn term dates:

11th September-Yr 2 meet the teacher 3.30 pm.

12th September – Yr 1 meet the teacher 3.30 pm.

13th September – Early Years Phonic meeting 3.00 pm.

13th September - Yr 4 meet the teacher meeting 3.30 pm.

15th September – Yr 3 meet the teacher 3.30 pm.

19th September-School photos.

4th October-New parent open evening.

9th October – year 4 parent share 2.30pm

11th October – Year 3 parent share 2.30pm

17th October-EYFS Harvest celebration.

18th October-KS1 Harvest celebration.

19th October-KS2 Harvest celebration.

19th October – Years 1 and 2 book look 3.20 pm.

20th October-Last day of term.

30th October – Staff training day

Celebrating 30 years of Henbury View.

During the summer term all the children were involved in creating a unique piece of art work for our school which I am delighted to say has been displayed on the wall outside, just to the left of year 4. It has been wonderful to see so many of our children looking for their work. We will be selling ice creams after school this Friday, so please feel free to come and have a look with your child after school at the fabulous result.



Our New Trim Trail

During the summer break we have had some of our old trim trail removed and new pieces added. The children are thoroughly enjoying playing on it. There is another section which we would like to add next summer and during this year hope to raise the necessary funds to ensure that we can achieve our goal. In the coming weeks we will be asking family and friends to get involved with supporting the Friends of Henbury. We kindly ask that the playgrounds are not used after school due to our after-school clubs accessing these areas.



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](#)

School Photographs

Fraser Portraits will be in school on Tuesday 19th September to take Individual and Sibling photographs of children who are in our school. If your child is not in school on the day, contact Frasers directly as they sometimes provide catch up appointments at their studio. Photograph proofs will be sent during the following week and orders are made on line with Frasers. If you do not receive a proof by the 2nd October, please contact the school office. If you do not wish for your child to have a photograph, please let the school office know.

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

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

We recognise that technology has so many benefits to our lives, and we all rely on it so much, however with the benefits there comes some risks. We are aware that some children do access material which is not appropriate to their age. The children at Henbury are fabulous and will share if they see something which makes them feel worried or upset, when this happens, we work with the children and families. Please take some time to look at this excellent NSPCC resource which provides invaluable advice and guidance on Keeping children safe online. <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Safeguarding/Child Protection Issues.

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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