

Herne View Church of England Primary School including Apple Orchard Pre-School

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Welcome back to the new school year

Welcome back to all in our school community and especially to all our new pupils and their families joining us at both the Silver St and Ditton St campus. We hope everyone has had a good holiday and enjoyed their time and we've loved hearing all about the children's holiday adventures and activities. Next week will be our longer newsletter for the start of the year once our Reception children have started and we are looking forward to them joining us at Silver Street.

Teachers have sent out their links to Class Dojo so please make sure you have signed up for this to get news about your child's class.

There will be lots going on this term and we'll keep families informed via the newsletter and Class Dojo (Tapestry for Reception year) so do remember to regularly check these. We'll also have a new website soon and we'll let you know as soon as this is available.



Umbrella Competition - Ilminster Children's Carnival

We are really pleased that once again Ilminster Carnival Committee are supporting the school in having their own decorated umbrella classes. If your child would like to be judged by the Carnival Committee they need to bring in their decorated umbrella on Friday 27th September. Umbrellas can be of any design and we encourage that these are completed by the children. We will then be walking in children's carnival on Saturday 5th October and any child can join us with their umbrella (need to be accompanied by an adult). We will be meeting at the front of the Youth Centre, Frog Lane and a time for this will be sent out nearer the time although we expect this to be around 11 am. It is lovely to be able to walk as a large

school group so please can we encourage as many of you as possible to join us on the Saturday to support the school and the future of carnival.



Fundraising

Please keep supporting the PTA by choosing Herne View PTA with your blue Tesco tokens as we only have until the end of the month to try and achieve the top amount of $\pounds1,500$ to support our swimming pool. Remember to collect your blue token each time you shop and post it in the Herne View box to help us collect the most tokens.

We are also looking for our families and friends who shop at Asda to encourage you to nominate Herne View in their new fundraising scheme



If you have the Asda Rewards app (which can be downloaded free), you can click on this new initiative and choose to nominate Herne View and we will receive money every time you shop. This is separate to your own cashpots on the app and we have already raised £53 and would like to see this grow so please encourage family and friends to nominate Herne View.



Sunflowers of Somerset

Herne View's sunflower art display will be part of the Sunflower Saturday display tomorrow. Sunflower Saturday takes place in the Cafe at Monks Yard on Saturday 7th September from 10.30 to 3.30 with a Treasure Trail, art and crafts for kids, quiz for parents and a few more things as well as an art display to see, all to celebrate the end of this year's Sunflowers of Somerset season.

Hopefully our pupils' sunflowers have all grown well this Summer and thank you for sharing your sunflower successes such as this wonderful sunflower grown by Jessie.





Swimming

This half term we will have children from Ditton St going swimming and a reminder that children will need the following as their kit; Swimming costume - one piece not bikini/tankini / swimming trunks not board short style, towel and footwear to walk to pool in. Children cannot wear jewellery in the pool and any earrings must be removed rather than covered. If you have any further questions about swimming please speak to your child's class teacher.



Year 2 and Year 6 collective worship helpers

When we hold our collective worships Y2 and Y6 act as helpers for the staff leading worship by reading our welcomes, lighting the candles, reading the prayer and helping in other ways that can include holding objects, drama etc. For the children taking part this helps them develop skills in speaking, presentation and team work and many children enjoy having this responsibility which they do in groups of either twos or threes. If you would prefer your child not to participate as a collective worship helper this year please can you email the office to let us know.



Dates for the Diary

Fri 13th September Year 1 Vision Screening Tues 24th September Tempest photography individual portrait for DS site. Weds 25th September Flu Vaccinations both sites Fri 27th September Umbrella Competition judging am Tues 1st October PTA film club on Ditton St – further details to follow Weds 2nd October Tempest photography individual portraits for Silver St site Weds 2nd October M and M Theatre Company Secret Garden Production Y1 to Y6 Thurs 3rd October PTA film club on Silver St – further details to follow Sat 5th October Children's Carnival am w/c Mon 21st October Harvest Festivals at the Minster – families welcome to attend Mon 21st October 2.30pm Lower KS2 (years 3 and 4) Weds 23rd October 2.45pm Upper KS2 (years 5 and 6) Thurs 24th October 9.15am KS1 (years 1 and 2) Thurs 24th October 2.30pm EYFS (Reception) Half Term w/c 28th October Christmas Nativity Plays/Concert dates will follow next week



ILMINSTER YOUTH THEATRE ENROLMENT Prologue Group



Enrolment open - September 2024 For children from year 2 - 13

Prologue - our youngest Youth Theatre group is a fantastic introduction to the theatre for years 2/3. We still have spaces available so please let us know if you have a child in years 2/3 who would like to join and I will forward the forms to you.

This year will be run by our new Youth Theatre teacher Jemima who will be assisted by Henry (one of our Encore members).

www.thewarehousetheatre.org.uk/

Enrolment for all our Youth Theatre groups is open and will be starting on 13th/14th September 2024. (Children from year 2 - 13). If you are interested, please get in touch as we need to get enrolment forms in ASAP.

We still have spaces in Prologue - our youngest Youth Theatre group. It is a fantastic start to the theatre and this year will be run by our new Youth Theatre teacher Jemima.

We also have spaces in our Arts Award group who will be working towards their Bronze and Silver certificates next term. We are a certified Champion Centre for the Trinity College London Arts Award. These groups are a fantastic way for your child to discover the arts in the world around them. We will be painting, craft making, singing & dancing, acting, we will be making a film, sharing favourite books, and going on a trip to the theatre (additional cost for this and not compulsory) We will be having a friendship bracelet-making session before our Taylor Swift tribute guest artist and we will be researching favourite artists and sharing our work. Students will also have the opportunity to pass on their skills to others. At the end of the course, they will receive a certificate from Trinity College London. We are very inclusive and reasonably priced so that this is accessible for everyone. Run by fully qualified and experienced drama practitioners.

Friday: Encore Group - 6.00pm - 8.30pm (Years 9 - 13)

Saturday: Prologue - 9.15 - 10.00 (Years 2/3)

Act 1 - 10.00 - 11.00 (Years 4/5)

Act 2 -11.00 - 12.30 (Years 6/7/8)

Arts Award - 12.30 - 2.00pm Bronze, Silver

Musical Theatre Group - 2.00 - 5.00 (Age 8 - 18)

Please check the theatre website for what we have to offer and feel free to message us. We have a very exciting year ahead!!

If you have any questions, please message us here or get in contact with Lucy at lucydriver2000@gmail.com

