



Reasons to Celebrate

Join us every Friday from 2.45pm for Celebration Assembly – all parents (and relatives) welcome!!

Headteacher's Award

Salvo Archie A Frazer

Hormead Heroes

Love: Penny; **Respect:** Frazer, Grace;
Kindness: Mya; **Peace:** Tommy; **Co-operation:** Oli W, Archie; **Honesty:** Austin; **Aspire:** Molly, Henry, Evie B;

House Points:



254

Ruby



251

Emerald



243

Amber



284

Sapphire

From the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half term whatever you were up to. We are now on the home stretch in rounding up our school year. This is typically the time when everything at school starts to go in lightning speed as we try to finish projects, assessments, trips, sports day, Not to mentioned fitting in all the other end of year activities - so seatbelts on and before you know it summer holiday will be here!

As you all know we have had the great news that Mrs Lynda Cowler has been appointed as the new head teacher and will be starting in September. Mrs Cowler and I are currently coordinating some days for her to visit Hormead before she officially takes up her post in September.

We are hoping to arrange a parent forum/coffee meeting on one of the days so that you are able to come in to meet her and chat. We will let you all know as soon as we have a confirmed date, we hope to see as many of you there as can make it.

Mrs Cowler is very lucky as she is taking on a lovely school with talented staff, supportive governors and lovely families and children. I will really miss my days being at Hormead but sure we will maintain our excellent working relationships between the schools in the future.

Thank you for all your support.

Mrs Amy Myers and Mrs Victoria Moore



From the Office – School Office opening hours – 8.45am to 2.30pm Every Day

School Gateway - As previously advised; we are aiming to be a cashless school by September 2019. Payment for clubs, dinners and any trips can be made via School Gateway App. **If any cash payments are made into the office it must be correct amount. Change will not be available.**

Thank you to those of you who are currently using the App. If you are not yet signed up, to activate your School Gateway account you need to download the App which is available to download for free from your general app store. Enter your email address and mobile number to create your account, you will then receive a PIN number to access and start using the App.



If you have any questions then please come and see us in the office.

Turning Vehicles - Please could you continue to be mindful of children and other pedestrians using the public footpath, sometimes when you are reversing, the rear of your car may protrude over the path and could potentially knock a pedestrian over. Please be vigilant of other road users. Please let's not wait until a serious accident happens, keep your children safe and turn around in a sensible space. (May we recommend driving to the village hall car park and turn around there).

School Dinners – The cost of school dinners are **£2.50 daily for Nursery Children and Oak Class.** This can be paid via the School Gateway.

Weather: As the weather cannot make its mind up, please ensure your child/children wear **suitable clothing for the day.** **If it is sunny, please send your children in to school with sun cream already applied and a sun hat.**

Uniform - Please make sure all clothing is NAMED! Could you also check that your child/children bring home their correct named uniform?

PE – Children should have in school the correct PE kit on a daily basis. This includes plain Navy shorts, Sky Blue T Shirt and trainers. **They will also need a tracksuit for PE, (black or navy blue joggers and sweatshirt, not their school jumper, no hoods or logos please) – PE lessons will be outside!**

Nuts: Please make sure your children do not bring food containing nuts or Sesame Seeds into school, due to some children having allergies. This includes home packed lunches.

Absence Procedure – a reminder!

For **planned** absence, please complete a Leave of Absence form (available from the office). This should be returned to school no less than 2 weeks before the planned absence.

For **unplanned absence** (illness etc.), please ensure you have called the school office by 9.30am to let us know. You should call the school office on each day that your child is absent, unless asked otherwise. Please do not assume that we know where your child is. This should always be followed by a written explanation on their return. You can also use the School Gateway App to provide an explanation. If medical evidence is available, please also provide this. For children with attendance below 95%, our policy is to have written confirmation in order to authorize.

Diary Dates

*New dates are in **bold**.*

| June 2019 | |
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| Thursday 13 th | Oak Class – Rounders Festival – Letter to follow |
| Thursday 20 th | Ash Class - RSPB Rye Meads |
| Monday 24 th | Willow Class - RSPB Rye Meads |
| July 2019 | |
| Thursday 11 th | TRANSITION DAY |
| Friday 12 th | School Sports day and Picnic |
| Thursday 18 th | Whole school trip to Paradise Park |
| Friday 19 th | End of Term. School closes at 2pm |

Summer Term 2019 dates

First day of term: Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Half Term: Monday 28th to Monday 3rd June Inclusive

Last day of term: Friday 19th July 2019. School closes at 2.00pm

Autumn Term 2019 dates

First day of term: Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Half Term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

Last day of term: Friday 20th December 2019. School closes at 2.00pm