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Friday 5th July 2019

Our two transition days have taken place in school with the children and adults enjoying spending time together in their new classrooms. These days form an important part of the transition process in preparation for September. Talks have taken place between the adults in the current and receiving classes to ensure that all relevant and important information is shared.

During the next two weeks, further transition work will take place allowing the children to feel well-prepared before the summer break.

Our Year 6 children have also enjoyed their transition visits to their new schools. Next week they will be back at HBJS and in the final rehearsals for their production – The Lion King. We have tickets available for the matinee performances on Wednesday and Thursday. Please come into the office if you would like to purchase tickets. The children in Years 3, 4 & 5 will watch the final dress rehearsal on Tuesday afternoon. This will be a spectacular and memorable performance – one not to be missed!

ATTENDANCE

	Attendance %	No. of Lates
Year 3	96.5	19
Year 4	96.4	9
Year 5	97.4	10
Year 6	96.8	6

Our current overall attendance is 95.96%. We are so close to achieving our target of 96%, please support us by ensuring that your child is in school every day.

Currently we have 210 pupils with 98% or above and 66 pupils with 100%!

VISIT FROM PROFESSOR ROBERT WINSTON

We were privileged to welcome Professor Robert Winston to our school on Tuesday. He made the journey from London to educate and inspire our children about his favourite topic – SCIENCE!

He delivered an assembly to both upper and lower school. The children were mesmerised and listened intently to him as he spoke about the most popular science questions posed to him by children around the world. They were fortunate to take part in a mini experiment relating to DNA which involved releasing particles through merely clapping. Throughout, his humour

shone through as he shared his wisdom while engaging the children in popular topics ranging from the solar system to human reproduction.

Question time gave the children the opportunity to find out more about him and his life. He shared that prior to becoming a scientist in 1970; he had worked as a caretaker in a school and spent time in theatre amongst other things. 50 years later, here he was at Herne Bay Junior School advising our children to study things that interest them and to work as part of a team. He told them, “it is OK to fail; failure can lead to success” – as he has discovered many times throughout his career.

Professor Winston then visited classrooms where Science lessons were in action. He enjoyed watching some Year 4 children investigate insulators and conductors to create electricity, before moving on to Year 5 where children were developing their understanding of puberty while debating their views on how this may affect them both socially and emotionally.

SPORTS DAY

This Wednesday was our annual Herne Bay Junior School Sports Day and what a fantastic day it was!

Throughout the day, the team spirit, sportsmanship and positive attitude of the children was clearly evident and a true reflection of the values that we adhere to at HBJS. Well done to everyone who took part and a big thank you to family and friends who came to spectate and cheer the children on!

WHY DON'T YOU.....

Attend a special day of Shakespeare workshops at the Beany Museum in Canterbury. These include a beginner's guide to reading Shakespeare, Shakespeare character acting, learning a Shakespearean jig and a fight workshop.

The event will take place on Saturday 13th July. Advance booking on the attached link is necessary and there is a minimal cost of £6.

https://news.canterbury.gov.uk/fun-workshop-introduces-children-to-shakespeare/https://news.canterbury.gov.uk/fun-workshop-introduces-children-to-shakespeare/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Fun%20workshop%20introduces%20children%20to%20Shakespeare

OR

Take a look at this.... <https://swimsafe.org.uk/about>

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Please let us know if you take up any of our 'Why Don't You' suggestions by sending us photographs via our twitter page @HerneBayJuniors and we can share them!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term 6

- Wednesday 10th July - Yr 6 Production 1.30pm & 7pm
Thursday 11th July - Yr 6 Production 1.30pm & 7pm
Mon 15th – Fri 19th July - Year 6 Residential trip to Swattenden
Monday 22nd July - Year 6 Leavers Service at Christ Church 9.30am – 10.30am
Monday 22nd July - PTA Year 6 Leavers Disco
Tuesday 23rd July - **End of Term 6 School finishes at 1.30pm**



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STAR OF THE WEEK

YEAR 3 3HH 3CC 3AR 3CH	Saskia Grace Charlie Chidgey Sadie Low Aidan Voysey
YEAR 4 4HO 4JW 4LS 4JN	Kyron Foster Archie Bailey Kiah Sharpe Lucinda Walsh-Stean
YEAR 5 5MR 5SB 5PP 5BK 5CW	Barnaby Grace Jenna Thompson Charlie Beach Emma Cerson Mia Sallis

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