



Headteacher message

A very warm welcome to the new academic year. It is an absolute delight to welcome all of our new starter families; we look forward to a long and happy association with you and your children. It is wonderful to see everyone in their uniform, keen and eager to learn.

During these new and uncertain times, there is even greater need for us to *'Work together for Lifelong learning'* and I appeal to you to support us with any changes that we may need to implement if we are directed to do so.

Mr Stephen McClymont
Headteacher

Medical Information

Check if you or your child has coronavirus symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result – only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result.

Your child can attend school with a seasonal common cold

Medical appointments

Please try to make appointments outside of the school day. Where this is not possible, please be aware there maybe a short wait for your child to be brought out to you.

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Medication

Where possible medication should be administered at home. If medicine needs to be given during the school day, please ensure it is put in a named zip locked bag. All medication must have a corresponding form, which can be downloaded from the school website (frequently used forms section) and emailed to the office.

Nut Allergies

A reminder that we have children with severe nut allergies and nuts, peanut butter, Nutella etc. are not allowed in children's lunch bags.

School News

There have been a number of new procedures this year and whilst the vast majority of these have been followed, we would like to take the opportunity to remind families of some of them.

- Please adhere to the allocated start and end times for your child/ren.
- Please move away from the vicinity of the school as soon as your child has entered.
- Any late arrivals should buzz the bottom gate and a staff member will collect your child. **Please do not enter through any open gates unless directed to do so by staff.**
- When entering through the vehicle gates, please be aware of the gate stop. We will endeavour to cover this with a cone. In the event of an accident, the school does not accept liability.

Online Safety

Please refer to the online safety Guides for Parents and Carers emailed with this issue of H2H.

Library Books

Please check your child/ren's bags from last year and return any library books.

Birthday sweets

Unfortunately, due to the current situation we are unable to give out birthday sweets.

RECEPTION 2021 – OPEN MORNING SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2020

Do you have, or know someone who has, a child who was born between 01/09/2016 and 31/08/2017? If so, they will be due to start school in September 2021.

We know that choosing a school for your family is a complex and important decision. Staff and governors are all very proud of our school but we know that when you choose a school you need to feel confident that your child will be cared for, valued and above all else happy.

During these new and uncertain times, we are not be able to arrange our usual Open Tours. We are however, intending to offer short external tours of the grounds and reception rooms/areas on **Saturday, 10th October 2020 from 09.30am until 11.30am.** These will be strictly limited to 1 adult from the household and limited to 6 per group; each group will depart from the top gate in 15 minute intervals (09.30; 09.45; 10:00 etc.) and last no longer than 30 minutes and we shall follow strict protocols for sanitising and encourage the wearing of masks. Unfortunately, no children can accompany you. To register your interest by emailing office@henrychichele.northants.sch.uk so that we can include you in any update. In the

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event of extremely inclement weather, or change in government guidance we shall reserve the right to rearrange the date but would advise accordingly.

Our new school prospectus will be available for download in the next couple of weeks and we shall release a new virtual tour if the government guidelines prevent us from allowing actual visits. (There are current introductory videos on the Reception class page to give you a 'flavour' for this academic year).

In the meantime, The Department for Education has put together some very useful activities that you might like to engage with. Please follow the link [here](#).

Macmillan Coffee Fundraising

This term we would usually hold a successful cake sale for Macmillan. Therefore, so we can support this charity we are asking children to bring in monetary donations during the week beginning 21st September. There will be buckets outside each year group where children can put their donations. This will be banked via the coin machines at NatWest and will keep handling by staff to a minimum.

Assemblies

Assemblies are taking place via Teams and each class takes part via their interactive whiteboard. Children are enjoying the new style of assemblies.



Governor Vacancies

We will shortly be advertising for two parent governors.

What does a school governor do?

The role of a school governor is to contribute to the work of the governing board in ensuring high standards of achievement for all children and young people in the school by:

- setting the school's vision, ethos and strategic direction
- holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its' pupils
- overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure it's' money is well spent

How much time will it take?

Being a governor does take up time and you will need to be able to set aside time to be able to be an effective governor, time to prepare for meetings, for visiting the school and undertaking relevant governor training.

Further information will be sent to all parents in the forthcoming weeks.

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Artwork

This wonderful canvas was created and donated to school by one of our families. We were absolutely delighted to receive this during lockdown and it takes pride of place in our library.

Thank you very much!



Henry's Friends

Henry's Friends is a dedicated team of parents and school staff who work together to raise funds for our school. The money we raise is spent in different ways but our priority is always to enhance the educational and recreational facilities for our children.

We do this by organising fun and inclusive events throughout the school year, to bring our school and community together and to celebrate what a fantastic school we have.

We have a core committee who plan and organise our events, but we always welcome additional support and help from parents.

As a committee, we meet once a term and these meetings are open to all parents who would like to come along and see what we are about. We very much value your support.

During 2019/2020 we have worked really hard to raise lots of money for our school. Whilst our Summer event plans have been put on hold because of the pandemic, we have still managed to purchase some fantastic equipment with the money the school community has raised together. The list of items we have purchased this year includes the following;

- Musical instruments for playground
- Water walls x2 for playground
- Forest school area

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Dutch play barn x1
Brand new SNUG equipment
Design and Technology bench for DT
Contribution to Y6 leaver's gifts

Our next meeting is the AGM, which will take place on **30th September at 7.30pm** via Zoom. If you would like to join the meeting or find out more please email PTFA@henrychichele.northants.sch.uk

Henry's Friends are currently looking at new ways to fundraise this year. There is still time to join the second virtual balloon race, which will start on Monday, 14th September, please see, the poster below.

Watch this space for more information on second hand uniform marketplace.

9/11/2020 Email - Miss Herlop - Outlook

HENRY'S FRIENDS - RAISING FUNDS FOR HENRY CHICHELE PRIMARY SCHOOL

VIRTUAL BALLOON RACE

Starts from Red Square, Moscow 14th Sept

Enter and track your balloon online!

£25 prize for balloon that travels the farthest, plus chance to win national prizes which include £500 & an Apple iPad

Buy your balloons online at:
<https://ecoracing.co/user/page/592>

Personalise your balloon? choose shape, colour, how much helium & thickness of latex.

£3 per balloon (no maximum)
Buy as many balloons as you want or gift a balloon to others - compete against family & friends

<https://outlook.office.com/mail/inbox/rdIAAMKAGYyNT11NJU1LWMwMJIND2hNC1IMDc3LWC2NjgyYWMwNWlyZQBGAUAAAAUxWwP0zqARZg...> 1/1

Community News

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Join us at Acorn Childcare!

Acorn at Henry Chichele

We are looking for an Out of School Manager to join our friendly team at our Henry Chichele Club.

Working term time only.
 7.45am - 9am and 3pm - 6pm, Monday to Friday.
 24.25 hours to include administration.
 Must have experience of working with school age children and managing/leading an out of school club/activity club.
 Salary £11.50 - £14.00 per hour.

Think you're a great fit?

- Join our team and enjoy these fantastic benefits:
- Competitive pay
 - 50% Childcare discount at any of our nurseries or clubs
 - Service and attendance bonuses
 - Enhanced pension contributions
 - Life Assurance
 - Cycle to work and technology schemes
 - Employee assistance programme
 - Guaranteed professional development and continued career progression

If you would like to be part of a team that makes a real difference, we'd love to hear from you.

Contact our HR Team on 01908 510309 or e-mail HR@acornearlyyears.org.uk

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We are looking for a hardworking and reliable Playworker Assistant to join our friendly team at our OOSC in Henry Chichele Primary School.

Breakfast Club - Monday to Friday.
 7.45am until 9am and 3pm to 6pm.
 Term time only.
 Experience with school age children desirable.
 Salary competitive

Join our team and enjoy these fantastic benefits:

- Competitive pay
- 50% Childcare discount at any of our nurseries or clubs
- Service and attendance bonuses
- Enhanced pension contributions
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- Cycle to work and technology schemes
- Employee assistance programme
- Four company training days each year
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