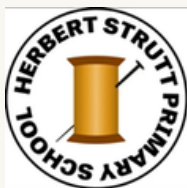


HERBERT STRUTT PRIMARY SCHOOL

UPDATE NEWSLETTER



SUMMER 2 TERM 2026

PARENT VOICE

A massive thank you to those of you who took part in our parent voice survey. It was great to hear such positive feedback and some great ways forward for the school. Here is feedback from some of the areas to make our school better:

- Clubs and outdoor learning - as a school we are looking at this further and have added a drama club on Thursday's to our offer. We are working with Positive Play, who are helping us create activities to support our children and develop our golden area.
- Parents will be informed each half term with what their children are learning in each subject for that half term, this will be updated on the website as well.
- Our school calendar will be shared with families at the beginning of each year and, as they have done, in each half termly newsletter.
- Safeguarding of children in relation to our school car park and the gates being open is being reviewed with our health and safety advisors and a correspondence letter will be sent out to families with updates for September.

If you have anything you would like to voice or share, please email the office or come and see the staff.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JULY

23

End of the academic year

SEPTEMBER

4TH AND
7TH

Inset Days

SEPTEMBER

8

First day back for the children

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2026-2027

- Mon - Orchestra Club
- Tues - Sports - TBC
- Wed - Sports - TBC
- Thurs - Lamda and Drama

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Friends PTA

As we come to the end of another fantastic school year, we would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful Friends PTA for their unwavering support and dedication. Throughout the year, committee members have given their time generously, meeting regularly, sharing ideas, planning events and fundraising to provide the very best opportunities for our children. Thanks to their hard work, we have enjoyed many memorable successes, including a fantastic **Summer Fair, Year 6 hoodies, end-of-term ice creams, school discos, school trips and exciting plans to further improve our school environment, just to name a few.** We know that none of this would be possible without the commitment and support of the families who volunteer, attend events, make donations and contribute in so many different ways. Your efforts make a real difference to the children and the wider school community. We would love to continue building on this success in the years ahead, so if you are able to spare some time and would like to get involved, please get in touch with the PTA team using the details below. Together, we can achieve even more for our children.

Join our next PTA meeting on Thursday 24th September at 6:30 PM venue tbc. We will plan upcoming school events and vote on open roles. We currently need a Secretary to help organize meetings and take clear notes. Everyone is welcome!

If you would like to be a part of the Whats app group please email the following email address:

friendsofhsp@yahoo.com



Summer Holiday Drama & Musical Theatre Workshop
Mon 3 Aug 10:30 - 15:30
Sawmills Village Hall £35pp
10% discount for friend/sibling
Get creative this summer!
A fun, action-packed day featuring -
Games to build confidence and teamwork, Improvisation & character work to inspire creativity, Scene work & performance skills
No experience needed & all abilities welcome. Perfect for 5-13yr old who love performing, want to try drama, or just fancy making new friends over the holidays.
Contact Hettie [07991214160](tel:07991214160)
helen@learningthroughdrama.co.uk to enrol

Drama and Lamda Club

Here is information from Hettie, our new club leader, about a Summer holiday club if you are interested.

We have sent drama and Lamda information to the families who have expressed interest in her club starting every Thursday from the 10th September. Please get in touch with the office if you would like more information



CLASS CORNER

Year 3 and 4 Visit Creswell Crags

Year 3 and 4 had a fantastic time on their recent visit to Creswell Crags, where they stepped back in time to learn about life in the Stone Age. The children explored the caves, discovered fascinating archaeological finds, and took part in a range of hands-on activities that brought their learning to life. They impressed the staff with their curiosity, enthusiasm and excellent behaviour throughout the day. It was a wonderful opportunity to deepen their understanding of history outside the classroom, and they returned with lots of exciting stories and new knowledge to share. Well done, Year 3 and 4!





Strutt's Got Talent



First place to Daniel
in Year 2 for his
dancing



Second place to
Mark in Year 6 for his
'cup' song



Third place to Jules
in Year 2 for his
singing

Congratulations to everyone who took part in Strutt's Got Talent! It takes courage, dedication, and confidence to step onto the stage and share your talents with others. Whether you were singing, dancing, performing, or supporting behind the scenes, you should all be incredibly proud of your efforts. Thank you for making the event such a fantastic celebration of creativity, teamwork, and talent. Well done to everyone who gave it a go! 🎉👏

Year 6's trip to Parliment and leavers play



Goodbye and Good Luck, Year 6!

As another school year comes to a close, we would like to say a very special goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children. Many of them have been part of our school family since Reception, and it has been a privilege to watch them grow, develop and thrive over the years.

The staff have loved being part of their journey, celebrating their achievements, supporting them through challenges and seeing their unique personalities shine. They have created many happy memories and have been fantastic role models within our school community. Now they are ready to begin the next exciting chapter of their lives as they move on to secondary school. While we will miss them terribly, we know they are more than ready for the opportunities and challenges ahead.

Year 6, we are incredibly proud of every single one of you and all that you have achieved during your time with us. We wish you the very best of luck for the future and know that you will continue to accomplish great things. Remember, once part of our school family, always part of our school family! 🌟🎓💙



FOND FAREWELLS AND WARM WELCOMES

As we come to the end of the school year, we also have to say some heartfelt goodbyes and offer a very warm welcome to new members of our team.

We would like to thank **Mrs Shelton** and **Mrs Collins** from Peacocks, **Mrs Randle** in Year 2, **Mrs Hodgkinson**, our Midday Supervisor, and **Mrs Allen**, our Year 4 teacher and Deputy Headteacher, for all they have done for our children and our school community. Whether they have been with us for a few months or for many years, each has made a lasting impact through their care, commitment and dedication. We are incredibly grateful for the support they have given our children and will be very sad to see them go. We wish them every success and happiness in their future endeavours.

At the same time, we are delighted to welcome some new faces to our school family. A warm hello to **Miss Dove**, who will be joining us as our new Year 1 teacher, **Miss Peacock and Mrs Morton**, who will be joining our SEND team as Teaching Assistants. We are also pleased to welcome back **Miss Hickton** in a familiar SEND TA role, and congratulations to **Mrs Jess**, who will be taking on her new position as our Inclusion Mentor across the school. We know that our new staff members will be wonderful additions to the team, and we look forward to the skills, enthusiasm and experience they will bring as we continue to provide the very best for our children.



FAREWELL



NEW STAFF LIST

ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Senior leadership team:

Head Teacher – Mrs Redfern

Deputy Head Teacher and SENDCO – Mrs Booth

EYFS and KS1 Lead – Miss Fasolino

Admin team:

Mrs Thelwall

Mrs Rimmer

Mrs Lambert

Teachers:

Peacocks – Mrs Marshall and Mrs Parsons (Wednesday – PE days and Forest Friday)

Year 1 – Miss Dove (Tuesday and Friday – PE days)

Year 2 – Miss Fasolino (Monday and Friday – PE days)

Year 3 – Mrs Ilic (Tuesday and Friday – PE days)

Year 4 – Mrs Booth and Mr Webster (Wednesday and Thursday – PE days)

Year 5 – Mr Brough (Monday – PE day and Wednesday – Swimming)

Year 6 – Mrs Winnington (Wednesday and Thursday – PE days)

Teaching assistants:

Year 1 – Miss Peacock and Mrs Smith

Year 2 – Miss Claypole and Mrs Blount

Year 3 – Mrs Riley

Year 4 – Mrs Moxey

Year 5 – Mrs Morton and Miss Hickton

Year 6 – Mrs Rogers and Mrs Stenton

Mentors:

Learning mentor – Miss Steele

Inclusion mentor – Mrs Jess

Midday supervisors:

Miss Rodgers

Mrs Blavins

Mrs Mart

Mrs Baldwin

Miss Rannard

Mrs Blount

Dates for your diary

Here are the dates for your diary for the first half term of 2026. In September you will be sent the diary for the year and a further diary from the PTA, after their first meeting



Date	Autumn Term Events
Friday 4 th September	INSET DAY
Monday 7 th September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 8 th September	Children's first day back
Friday 11 th September	Flu Immunisations
Week beginning 14 th September	Year 4 whole class violin lessons start
Wednesday 16 th September	Swimming starts for Year 5
Week beginning 21 st September	Year 4 and Year 5 Bike ability
Tuesday 22 nd September	Whole school individual photos
Monday 28 th September	Year 3 Harvest Festival assembly – Year 3 parents are invited to watch arrive through the school office at 10:05am
Week beginning 12 th October	Parents evening Monday 12 th October – all classes Thursday 15 th October – all classes
Monday 12 th October	Year 4 trip to Makeney <u>Makeney</u> Hall, linked to Victorians. This trip is free for the children
Week beginning 19 th October	School Disco – more information from Friends PTA with days and times
Week beginning 26 th October	HALF TERM HOLIDAY

As we reach the end of another successful school year, we would like to thank all our families for their continued support, encouragement and partnership. We are immensely proud of everything our pupils have achieved and the kindness, resilience and enthusiasm they have shown throughout the year. We wish everyone a safe, restful and enjoyable summer break and look forward to welcoming you back in September.

At Herbert Strutt Primary School we pride ourselves on our PROUD values and inspire our children to:

PERSEVERE

BE RESPECTFUL

OPEN-MINDED

UNDERSTANDING

AND DETERMINED

