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15th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is an absolute treat to have the children back in school and settling into their learning. All classes have spent the past two weeks becoming familiar with their routines and expectations within their new year group. I have been really impressed with the level of excellent behaviour that I have seen being demonstrated across the school. There is nothing better than seeing our older children care for our younger pupils and this has certainly been the case for our new arrivals in school. Starting school for the very first time is a huge event and within a blink the children are suddenly Y6. I must report that it has been an utter delight visiting our new classes across this week. One particular highlight was taking a 'call' from one of the children who was operating a telephone in the role play area; excellent communication skills were certainly on show! The Heron Park family certainly welcomes all our new children and their families; we look forward to all the exciting learning ahead.

### Talking to us








We have recently moved to the Arbor app. Arbor has replaced Parent Pay and enables you to pay for school-based events and also update any key information about your child. Most of the school community has signed up to this-thank you! May I urge the remaining families to do so. If you are unsure about how the App

works, please use this link <https://support.arbor-education.com/hc/en-us/sections/201716749-Parent-Portal-and-Arbor-App-Getting-started-and-logging-in-rbor> app to find out more information.

Should you ever have any questions/want to update us about anything, please do use the messaging facility on the Arbor app. Please ensure that you turn on the message alert in the portal settings to ensure that you receive a notification when you receive a message. We also look at our emails sent to the school office and you can, of course, talk to us directly on the school phone number 01323 502525.

### Our School Values

Independent (like Ivor)	Curious (like Carlos)	Respectful (like Rosie)	Resilient (like Rena)	Aspirational (like Alf)
				

Each day at Heron Park, we follow the school values. Our expectation is that every member of the school community abides by these values. The children have certainly demonstrated significant respect and curiosity since returning to school, which is fabulous to see.



This week, we have been exploring Democracy and considering who should represent classes on the School Council. May I take this opportunity to thank all our pupils who worked on the School Council last year; they did an absolutely wonderful job! I would also like to thank all the children who put themselves forward as a candidate in this year's elections. It takes an enormous amount of courage and confidence to speak in front of the class-we are very proud of them for this. Of course, there is a vote and I would like to congratulate the following pupils who are representing our classes this year.

Willow: Sasha

Oak: Jay Jay

Horse Chestnut: Esmae

Sycamore: Nashwa

Foxes: Bonnie

Badgers: Rowan

Rabbits: Remy

Hedgehogs: Livi

Ducks: Mya

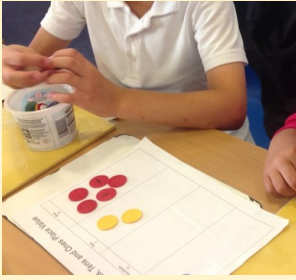
Swans: Dexter

Ladybirds: Ada

## Classroom visits

During the week beginning the 25th September, we are holding a number of events across the school so that you have a chance to visit your child's new class, work with them and also hear about some of the exciting learning opportunities ahead. Please do refer to the key dates at the end of the newsletter so that you can set aside the time (if it is at all possible) to join us in school.





At Heron Park, we are passionate about maths. It is a subject which all children need for their future lives and careers. Earlier this week, Mrs Morgan welcomed a number of colleagues to the school to receive training about Mastery Maths. Having the opportunity to be a school who shares good practice in this subject, is fantastic.

To further assist our children with their understanding of maths, we have subscribed to an online maths programme which pupils will be able to access. Information about this will be shared with you at the parent engagement events and/or via email. Do look out for the information about **Doodle Maths** during the week beginning 25th September.

## Safeguarding

Should you ever have any concerns about a child and require advice, you are able to contact ChildLine or our school Senior Leadership Team/ some members of our Safeguarding Team: Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Crees, Mrs. Williams or Mrs. Morgan.



## Uniform

Please do ensure that your child remains in the correct uniform when at school. Reminders are on the website and listed below.

### Uniform

Raspberry sweatshirt with school logo

White shirt

Black trousers, black skirt or black pinafore dress.

Black socks or tights.

Black shoes (Not trainers or slip on shoes)

### Summer

(Term 5 and Term 6 only)

As above with the addition of:

Raspberry gingham dress

Black shorts

School jumpers, PE bags and book bags can be purchased from:  
[www.superstitch86.co.uk](http://www.superstitch86.co.uk)



### PE Uniform

Plain black sweatshirts/jumper  
no hoodies

Black shorts

Plain black jogging bottoms

White t-Shirt

Black trainers or plimsolls

Black PE bag with school logo



## Attendance



Our school attendance target 96%+. It is utterly essential that children are in school and on time. If children are in school they are receiving their education which they are entitled to. If they are not, this becomes of concern.

Each week, we recognise the class with the greatest attendance. As a result, the class gains an attendance sticker. The children are working towards a popcorn party in their classrooms and some groups achieved this last term. I look forward to celebrating with the first winners this term.

The attendance class winners this week were Ducks with 100% !

### Alf's Attendance Popcorn Party

Alf is holding a movie and popcorn party on the last day of term for any class that can achieve 10 days of excellent attendance this half term.

Make sure you're in school to help your class win!

Attendance is about a partnership between home and school. We will, of course, be on hand to support where required.

## Open Evenings and Open Mornings for pupils starting school in September 2024

We have included information at the bottom of the newsletter about forthcoming events for parents and children who are starting in September 2024. If you know of parents who are currently looking for a new school, please do direct them towards our website where they can find information about the events. Likewise, the flyer at the bottom of this newsletter can be shared with them.

I am delighted to share with you that Mrs Morgan is expecting her first baby and Mrs Williams is expecting her second baby. We are, absolutely thrilled for them both. It goes without saying that we look forward to welcoming baby Morgan and baby Williams in the Spring.



As always, thank you for all your ongoing support; the Heron Park community is a very special place indeed. Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you and the children next week.

Kind regards,  
Mrs H Crees  
Headteacher



# Parental Engagement Events Term 1

Parents/Carers are invited to visit their child's class on the dates and times below.

**Monday 25th September 2:30-3:00pm - Year 5 only**

**Tuesday 26th September 2:30-3:00pm - Reception & Year 4 only**

**Wednesday 27th September 2:30-3:00pm - Year 2 & Year 6 only**

**Thursday 28th September 2:30-3:00pm - Year 1 & Year 3 only**

Parents/carers will enter via their child's usual gate. Gates will be open at **2:30pm** and will close shortly after.

If you have children in different year group events happening on the same day, you will be able to visit the other classes.

The children are excited to show you what they have been learning this term. We hope you can join us!



# Harvest Festival

On Monday 25th September, we will be holding our Annual Harvest Festival assembly.

We will have some special guests coming in to chat about the importance of supporting our community in times of need.

We are asking children to bring donations for the Food Bank, into school on **Friday 22nd September**.

Examples of items:

Sealed packets of pasta, rice, sauces, biscuits, crisps etc.

Sealed jars of sauces, condiments.

Tinned food items.

Please ensure items are all in date as the Food Bank are unable to accept any out of date items.

Any donations are always gratefully received.



# Wraparound care

4:00-5:00pm

£5 per session

If you would like to use this facility, bookings should be made on the Arbor App.

This is a follow on club from the Sportitude Clubs and cannot be booked as a standalone club.

Sportitude clubs can be booked vis Class4kids.

Children will enjoy a snack and fun games & activities





**Heron Park Primary Academy Open days  
for parents of pupils starting school in  
September 2024-25**

**We would like to welcome you to take a look around our  
wonderful school.**

**Please see the dates below:**

**Thursday 2nd November: 6:00 - 7:30pm**

**Monday 6th November: 9:00-10:00am or 10:30-11:30am**

**Thursday 9th November: 9:00-10:00am or 10:30-11:30am**

**Please scan the QR code below to book a place.**



**If you are unable to make any of the dates or times  
above, or you have any questions or queries please call  
the office:**

**01323 502525 or email: [heronparkoffice@auroraacademies.org](mailto:heronparkoffice@auroraacademies.org)**

**We can't wait to meet you!**

# Weekly menu

# WEEK 1



## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

## Thursday

## Friday

Sweet N Sour Chicken Served With Rice

Pork Sausages Served With Mashed Potato And Gravy

Roast Chicken Served With Roast Potatoes And Gravy

Beef Bolognese Served With Pasta and Garlic Herb Bread Wedge

Breaded Fish Served With Chips

Chinese Vegetable Stir Fry Served With Noodles

Quorn Sausages Served With Mashed Potato And Gravy

Cheese and Potato Puff Served With Gravy

Vegetable Bolognese Served With Pasta And Garlic Herb Bread Wedge

Cheese And Pepper Quesadilla

Jacket Potato with a choice of Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo

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Baked Beans

Seasonal Vegetables

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Sandwiches

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Served With Tortilla Chips and Crudites

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Lemon Shortbread Slice

Iced St Clements Cake

Chocolate Chip Biscuit

Chocolate Beetroot Cake

Strawberry Ice Cream

Available daily

# Weekly menu

# WEEK 2



## Monday

## Tuesday

## Wednesday

## Thursday

## Friday

Sticky Five Spice Chicken Served With Noodles

Beef Chilli Con Carne Served With Rice

Roast Gammon Served With Roast Potatoes And Gravy

Homemade Beef Lasagne Served With Garlic Bread Wedge

Pork Sausage Served With Chips

Basil and Tomato Pasta Served With Herby Bread Wedge

Chunky Vegetable Chilli Served With Rice

Quorn Roast Served With Roast Potatoes And Gravy

Homemade Mac N Cheese Served With Garlic Bread Wedge

Vegetable Omelette Served With Chips

Jacket Potato With a Choice of Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo

Jacket Potato With A Choice Of Cheese, Baked Beans Or Tuna

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Seasonal Vegetables

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Baked Beans

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Served With Tortilla Chips And Crudites

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Apple Crumble And Custard

Fruity Jelly

Traditional Iced Topped Sponge Cake

Sultana Rice Crispie Cake

Arctic Roll

Available daily

Fresh Fruit, Yogurt, Homemade Bread

HARRISON 



## Weekly menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken Curry Served With Rice And Naan Bread	Shepherds Pie Topped With Mashed Potato	Roast Herb Chicken Served With Roast Potatoes And Gravy	Beef Burger Served With Wedges	Fish Fingers Served With Chips
Sweet Potato Curry Served With Rice And Naan Bread	Lentil And Vegetable Pie Topped With Mashed Potato	Roasted Vegetable Hotpot Served With Roast Potatoes And Gravy	Quorn Burger Served With Wedges	Quorn Vegan Nuggets Served With Chips
Jacket Potato With a Choice Of Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Jacket Potato With A Choice Of Cheese, Baked Beans Or Tuna		Jacket Potatoes Served With Cheese, Beans Or Tuna	
Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Sandwiches,		Sandwiches,	
Served With Tortilla Chips And Crudites	Served With Tortilla Chips And Crudites		Served With Tortilla Chips And Crudites	
Fruity Flapjack	Eve's Pudding And Custard	Raspberry Ripple Sponge	Vanilla Shortbread	Chocolate Ice Cream

Available daily

Fresh Fruit, Yogurt, Homemade Bread

HARRISON

Lunches cost £2.41 per meal, per day, for all children in year 3 and above, unless you are entitled to Free School Meals.

All meals and trips must be paid for by Arbor pay. We no longer use ParentPay.

# FAMILY FUN DAY

**FREE ENTRY!**  
DONATIONS WELCOME

**FUNDRAISING FOR EASTBOURNE FOODBANK**

**SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 11AM-3PM**

**WEST RISE JUNIOR SCHOOL**

**Chaffinch Road, Langney, BN23 7SL**

**Dog show at 11am** (judged by Deputy Mayor Amanda Morris)

**Shining Stars** (performing at approx 11.30am)

**Classic cars** ★ **Tombola**

**Mermaid Corner** ★ **Daive Black** (street singer)

**Outside games & Bouncy castle** (Defiant Sports)

**Face painting, hair braiding & tattoos**

**Dan's Burgers** ★ **Tony's Ice Cream**

**Plus many other stalls!**

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<b>Term</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>TERM 1</b>	<p>Wednesday 13th September</p> <p>Thursday 14th September</p> <p>W/C 25th September</p> <p>Monday 25th September</p> <p>Wednesday 4th October</p> <p>Friday 20th October</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• School Photos</li> <li>• Reception children in fulltime.</li> <li>• Anti-Bullying Week</li> <li>• Parental Engagement - from 2:30pm each afternoon. Further details to follow.</li> <li>• Harvest Assembly - Children will be asked to bring in donations for the Food Bank.</li> <li>• Year 6 Ancient Greek Day</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>
<b>TERM 2</b>	<p>Monday 30th October</p> <p>Friday 10th November</p> <p>Thursday 16th November</p> <p>Friday 17th November</p> <p>Tuesday 21st November</p> <p>W/C Monday 11th December</p> <p>Friday 15th December</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First day of term</li> <li>• INSET DAY</li> <li>• Parent Consultations 3:30-5:00pm</li> <li>• Children in Need</li> <li>• Parent Consultations 3:30-7:00pm</li> <li>• Christmas events will happen this week.</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>
<b>TERM 3</b>	<p>Tuesday 2nd January</p> <p>Wednesday 3rd January</p> <p>W/C Monday 5th February</p> <p>Tuesday 6th February</p> <p>Friday 9th February</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INSET DAY</li> <li>• First day of term</li> <li>• Parental Engagement– From 2:30pm each afternoon. Further details to follow</li> <li>• Children’s Mental Health week.</li> <li>• Safer Internet Day</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>
<b>TERM 4</b>	<p>Monday 19th February</p> <p>Thursday 7th March</p> <p>Thursday 7th March</p> <p>Friday 8th March</p> <p>Tuesday 12th March</p> <p>W/C Monday 18th March</p> <p>Thursday 28th March</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Day of Term</li> <li>• World Book Day</li> <li>• Parent Consultations 3:30-5:00pm</li> <li>• INSET DAY</li> <li>• Parent Consultations 3:30-7:00pm</li> <li>• Parental Engagement - from 2:30pm each afternoon. Further details to follow</li> <li>• Careers Week (including Careers fair)</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>
<b>TERM 5</b>	<p>Monday 15th April</p> <p>Monday 6th May</p> <p>W/C Monday 20th May</p> <p>Friday 24th May</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First day of term</li> <li>• BANK HOLIDAY</li> <li>• Parental Engagement - from 2:30pm each afternoon. Further details to follow</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>
<b>TERM 6</b>	<p>Monday 3rd June</p> <p>Tuesday 4th June</p> <p>Monday 17th June</p> <p>Tuesday 18th June</p> <p>Wednesday 19th June</p> <p>Friday 28th June</p> <p>Friday 19th July</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INSET DAY</li> <li>• First day of term</li> <li>• EYFS Sports Day 1:30-2:30pm</li> <li>• Y1, Y2 &amp; Y3 Sports Day 1:30-2:45pm</li> <li>• Y4, Y5 &amp; Y6 Sports Day 1:30-2:45pm</li> <li>• INSET DAY</li> <li>• Last day of term</li> </ul>