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Dear Parents and Carers

Autumn is definitely on its way, with the temperature dropping and plenty of leaves blowing into the building! We will continue to get the children outside as much as possible, so do ensure they have coats with them every day. We will also be using the school field for as long as possible, so if your child has some wellies or old trainers it is worth sending them into school, particularly on their turn on the field. We are keeping classrooms well ventilated at the moment, as per government guidance, so if you want to send an additional fleece/hoodie for your child that's fine.

Thank you for your support in maintaining distance at drop off and pick up. Parents should only enter the school building via the front door, for example if they are late collecting their child.

School lunches

Thank you for your support of the enhanced lunch offered over the past weeks. We are hoping to return to hot dinners from half term, but need to work out a few logistics first. Kate, Sally and the School Lunch Company are keen to get cooking again, and we thank them for their support which has been fantastic.

Parent Governor

We are very pleased to have received two nominations for the role of Parent Governor and so will be sending out ballot papers early next week to all eligible to vote.

Values for Life and Harvest

This week in worship we have been giving thanks for our families, recognising that every family looks a little different, but they are all wonderful. Next week we will be celebrating Harvest – sadly we are not able to invite you to church as we usually would at this time, but every class will be doing harvest focus activities next Friday 9th October and thinking of the foods we eat and are so fortunate to have readily available.

As part of our Harvest School Council have decided they would like to support Readifood Food Bank, who provide such an essential service to families in need. At the moment they need the following foods: **tinned vegetables, small bags of rice, tinned ready meals, tinned chopped tomatoes, tinned soup, tinned meat, tinned potatoes, biscuits, small bags of pasta, tinned fish, pasta sauces, tinned fruit, coffee, tea bags, tinned puddings and tinned pies.** If you would like to contribute food can be left in the boxes in the school foyer, and will be delivered to Readifood by Mrs Hull.

Google Classroom and Home Learning

Thank you to all those who have ensured your children are signed up to Google Classroom. We will be sending KS1 class codes out early next week, in case we need the platform for home learning due to a local lockdown or class bubble self-isolation. However, at present there won't be any content on for KS1 classes, so please don't worry when you log on if you can't see anything except a welcome message.

If in the coming weeks your child needs to self-isolate, please visit the Home Learning Page of the school website where there is information about the interim measures in place. As you will understand at the moment teachers are focused on the classroom and establishing good learning routines but we are also working on contingency plans for remote learning.

Walk to School Children's Challenge

This is KESA's first fundraiser of the year – please join in if you can! Information was sent out by email earlier in the week.

National 'Walk to School' Competition

5-9 October 2020

Please register participating children at:

www.thechildrenschallenge.com



Active Leaders

We are delighted to welcome Amanda back into school to lead a refresher course for our Year Six Active Leaders, and she will be back after half term to work with Year Five. Attached to this newsletter are details of the October Half Term Camp being run at Sonning Common Primary by Active Leaders – you can also find out more at

<https://www.activeleaders.co.uk/scps-ohc-2020-student-registration/>

With very best wishes,
Linda Hull, Headteacher

Applying for secondary school

Applications open today for secondary school places in September 2021 and close on 31st October 2020, with National Offer Day on 1st March 2021. Please apply through your home local authority. Current safety restrictions mean that schools are offering a range of different opportunities for parents, and we recommend keeping an eye on their websites. We will post information from schools as we receive it.

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BOOKING REQUIRED!
CLICK HERE

MAIDEN ERLEGH CHILTERN EDGE OPEN EVENT
TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2020
5:30PM UNTIL 7:30PM

Headteacher presentations will take place at 5:30pm and 7:00pm.

This event will be an exciting opportunity for you to visit the school and meet and talk to staff and students. There will be lots to do and see including:

- Subject displays
- Hands-on activities
- Drama and music performances
- Enrichment information
- Presentation by the Headteacher
- Tours of the school led by students

Due to COVID-19 booking is required for this event. If you are interested in attending, please visit our website at www.maidenerleghchilternedge.co.uk or click [HERE](#) to reserve a place.

For regular updates, follow us on [@MEChilternEdge](#)

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Highdown School

Please see below for important dates relevant to Year 6 students:

Thursday 1st October 2020 – Open Evening, for prospective new parents and children, 6pm
Monday 5th October 2020 – Open Morning
Wednesday 7th October 2020 – Open Morning

Leighton Park School

Some Year 7s who joined Leighton Park in September have shared their experiences of settling in at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvRLXxyiEyc>

We also have a Virtual Open Evening on Zoom on Thursday 15th October from 6.30pm which families can sign up for at www.leightonpark.com/visitus/ This is a chance to hear from senior members of staff and teaching specialists in key areas, as well as the opportunity to ask questions. Virtual visits are available at <https://www.leightonpark.com/virtual-open-morning/> to watch at any time and include the Head's Address from Matthew Judd that we would normally present at a more formal open day.



VIRTUAL OPEN MORNING

Saturday 10 October
9.30am

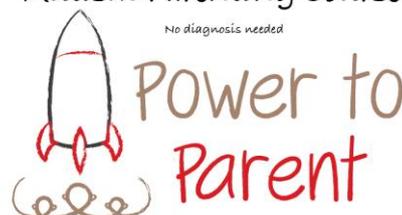
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Community News

A New Kind of
Autism Parenting Course

No diagnosis needed



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day and evening courses,
1:1 sessions

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Next Thing Technology Camp

Tech camp is here for October Half-Term with all NEW activities and a Halloween Costume Contest! We are running on 26th – 30th October 2020 at Hemdean House School, RG4 7SS from 9am to 4pm each day.

Our technology camps are your child's ticket to another world, with lots of exciting activities for curious coders, inventors and artists. Kids can learn how to program artificial intelligence robots, modify madness with Minecraft and even create their own digital app!

Spaces are limited due to social distancing and work on a first come first serve basis. To check availability or to enrol simply visit:

<https://nextthing.shortcm.li/o7vs4>