

HITHERFIELD HERALD

Home Learning

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PTA VIRTUAL SUMMER FAIR!!

The PTA are delighted to open this year's Virtual Summer Fair!!! We've taken some of the best bits of the Summer Fair and given you the opportunity to win some prizes and have a bit of end of year fun! We're not charging for any of these activities but as ever if you would like to donate to the Lockdown Fundraising, please click the link: [HitherfieldPTASummerFairFundraising](https://www.facebook.com/HitherfieldPTASummerFairFundraising) and if anyone has any ideas for other stalls please let us know.

Virtual Bake Off

The cake stall is one of the most popular stalls and so we are giving you the opportunity to bake some lovely cakes and possibly win a prize!! Create your masterpiece, take a photo of it and post it in our Facebook page along with a description of what it is. Closing date 13th July and winners announced in the last Herald of the year on 17th July.



Face Painting

Always a popular stall and the bonus is that there'll be no queues at home!!! Paint the kids and/or adults' faces, post a picture and you could win a prize for the best one. Closing date 13th July and winners announced in the last Herald of the year on 17th July.



Cutest Pet Competition

A new stall for 2020!! Post a picture of your four legged friend and 3 reasons why he/she deserves the title "Cutest Pet 2020" and we'll pick a winner. Closing date 13th July and winner announced in the last Herald of the year on 17th July.



Guess The Sweets In A Jar

Guess the number of sweets in the jar!! Send your guesses to hitherfieldpta@gmail.com and the closest to the correct number wins the sweets!



Weekly Update

Change To INSET Days

We normally have two INSET days in September, but this year, as the August Bank holiday falls on 31st August, we had planned only one INSET day on 1st September.

Due to the current situation and the likely changes to guidelines for schools over the summer holidays, it has been decided to bring forward the INSET Day planned for Monday 7th June 2021 to Wednesday 2nd September 2020. The children will still have the same number of days in school during the academic year, but they will now return to school on Thursday 3rd September 2020.

Classes for September 2020

We know that this year's transition to the new year group and class will be different for all children and adults in the school, as no one will have the usual 'meet the teacher' session.

Therefore, the teachers will be producing welcome and introduction videos through our Seesaw platform and, most importantly, the start of the new academic year will very much focus on the pastoral care of the children, something that has always been at the heart of our ethos.

We will include a list of the new classes in next week's Hitherfield Herald.

FREE School Meals and Vouchers for the Summer Holiday

We were pleased that the government changed its mind and decided that they would provide support for families entitled to free school meals over the summer holidays. We will be issuing vouchers to our families who are entitled to Free School Meals.

If you believe that you may be entitled to Free School Meals but have not previously informed us please check if you are eligible here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

More information is included in the following flyer 





FREE SCHOOL MEALS IN ENGLAND

Make sure you're not missing out!

Many families are entitled to free school meals but are not claiming this support. Free school meals support in the form of supermarket vouchers or food parcels will be provided over the summer holidays for all children who are registered for free school meals. Apply as soon as possible to your school or local authority so that you don't miss out.

This information sheet will explain if you might be eligible for free school meals and how to apply. It includes information for families that receive welfare support and for families with **no recourse to public funds (NRPF)**.

The families of children that were getting universal infant free school meals because they were in reception, year 1 or year 2 should apply for support if they fall into any of the groups explained on this sheet.

Your child might be eligible for free school meals if you or your child receives any of the following:

- ✦ Income Support
- ✦ Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- ✦ Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- ✦ Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- ✦ The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- ✦ Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- ✦ Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- ✦ Universal Credit - your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

More information about who is eligible for free school meals and how to apply can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

Temporary extension to free school meals for some families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF)

Thousands of families with no recourse to public funds (NRPF) have become temporarily eligible for free school meals support until schools reopen for all children. To get this support over the summer holidays your child must be registered for free school meals. Apply as soon as possible to your school or local authority so that you don't miss out.

If you have NRPF your child can get free school meals if your household earnings are less than £16,190 per year and if:

- ✦ You are a Zambrano carer - A non-EEA National primary carer of a British child
- ✦ Your family is receiving support from a local authority under Section 17 of the Children's Act 1989 (for example, from social services or the NRPF team)
- ✦ Your family has been granted leave to remain with NRPF on the basis of family or private life grounds

All children from families who receive Section 4 support from the Home Office are also temporarily eligible for free school meals and do not need to have their income assessed.

More information about the extension of free school meals to some families with NRPF and how to apply can be found here: <https://www.project17.org.uk/resources/guide-to-accessing-support/free-school-meals-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/>

Read about why the free school meals eligibility criteria must be permanently extended to reach all children who need them regardless of immigration status here: <https://hackneymigrantcentre.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Children-with-NRPF-The-need-for-FSM.pdf>

We hope that before schools reopen to all children, the free school meals eligibility criteria will be reviewed so that no child is left without this vital support.

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DEADLINE:
13 JULY



HITHERFIELD'S Virtual Sports Day

Sports Day is one of the main events in our School calendar and we couldn't let a global pandemic stop us celebrating together. However, we do have to stay safe and be responsible, so next week we are celebrating our Sports Day a little differently.

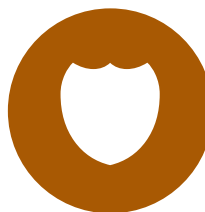
OUR SPORTS DAY CHALLENGES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FROM 9AM ON MONDAY 6TH JULY.

So, get your family involved and compete against them. These challenges can be done in your kitchen, living room, bedroom, garden and / or the park.

To earn points for your house team, make sure you upload your photos or videos of the challenges you have completed on Seesaw / Tapestry (or draw a picture of the challenges you have completed and send it to us by post) by Monday 13th July. Complete as many challenges as you like, it's up to you! However, the more challenges you do the more points you earn for your house team.



Certificates will be awarded for participation. There will be 3 levels for participation.



BRONZE
2 CHALLENGES

uploaded on Seesaw / Tapestry
(or sent by post)



SILVER
BETWEEN 3 AND 7
CHALLENGES

uploaded on Seesaw / Tapestry (or sent
by post)



GOLD
8 OR MORE
CHALLENGES

uploaded on Seesaw (or sent by post)

We hope you have lots of fun with our Sports Day challenges and enjoy taking part with those in your household. Good Luck!

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