

PTA September Blast - Welcome Back!!!

Your top three things to do this month:

1. **Treasurer Role – Get involved!**
2. **Year 6 Sweetie Cone Sale – Friday 24 September**
3. **AGM – Tuesday 28 September 7.30pm – join on Zoom!**

A massive welcome to all our new parents and carers across the school! We are so excited to have you all as part of the Hever community and look forward to getting you involved in supporting our children. To all of our current parents and carers, we are so excited to hopefully have a little more normality to the year and allow us to do some of our usual events which the children love such as the school discos and summer fete.

With the AGM coming up it is a great time to have some ideas of what we could do differently this year, we love new ideas....and even more - people to support them. For those of you who have submitted a recipe for the Hever School Cookbook this will be launched ready for Christmas so watch your emails!

Finally we do need to recruit a **TREASURER** for the committee. **IF** we do not recruit for this role **WE WILL HAVE TO DISSOLVE THE PTA**, so please have a think if you could support us in this role.

Shepherd Hut Update

Inside space is at a premium in the school, so we have agreed as our legacy project to raise money for an additional uniquely beautiful onsite space to allow the children to come together in a multitude of different ways.

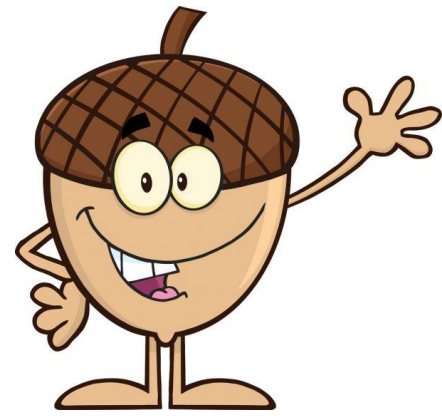
A shepherd hut was chosen as it fits perfectly with its rural setting & can spark the imagination of children in ways a usual classroom cannot. Creating a movable, temporary structure will give the school an affordable, additional area to support the children & provide opportunities for learning & recreation.

We have currently raised **over £10,000** for our hut! This is thanks to everyone's amazing fundraising efforts last term, with special thanks to Karen, Jenny and Amy, who with the school's support secured a **£2250** grant from the Gatwick Airport Community Trust and also thanks to our individual donors who have supported this fund. We need at least another £8k to make this happen, we have some ideas – but let us know if you want to be involved.

Hever School Cookbook Update – Front Cover Competition

The Hever School Cookbook is nearly ready to print – thank you for all your recipes. Acorns please get yours in ASAP! If you can support by adding your company logo for a small donation of £40 get in contact with Alex (lexychambers@hotmail.co.uk). We will be taking orders in the next few weeks – they will be perfect for Christmas!

We are also looking for your in-house artists (your children) to send in entries to our Hever School Cookbook Cover Competition! We are looking for hand drawn/painted A4 Landscape pictures of food, eating, cooking etc. No text though as we will add this on top. All entries must be posted in the **PTA postbox** (on the front of the school building) by **Friday 1 October**. Good Luck!



Year Reps!

Welcome to all of our fabulous year reps, old and new!!! They are invaluable in their roles so please make sure you support them this year. They are a vital link between the PTA, school and classes. If you don't know how to contact yours please let us know.

*Acorn – Mei and Megan
Magnolia – Karen and Alex
Elderberry – Anna and Jenny
Elm – Karen and Laura
Willow – Vanessa and Leah
Chestnut – Naomi
Oak – Emma*

AGM (Annual General Meeting)

The Friends of Hever school PTA hold an AGM where everyone is welcome to find out more about the association and see where they can get involved. Every parent and carer at the school is automatically on the PTA so everyone can attend. Our next AGM will be held via Zoom on **Tuesday 28 September at 7.30pm**
email: heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk for details of how to join.

In the meeting we will be discussing; achievements made over the last year, focuses for this year, electing the new committee (we need a Treasurer! Please see below) and many other things. Even if you can only attend for a short while, it would be beneficial to find out what the programme is for this year.

It is vitally important that we recruit a Treasurer at this meeting. If we do not, all of our trustees will have to step down and we will have to close the PTA which inevitably would mean that our school and children will miss out on some fabulous things such as...

- 1. Christmas pantomimes and Christmas parties**
- 2. Year 6 leavers hoodies**
- 3. Class donations during COVID - £200 per class**
- 4. Forest school training for two teachers**
- 5. AV upgrades for the school**
- 6. Easter and Christmas treats**

There are ALL things that the PTA has financed (even through COVID!) as well as raising £10k towards our Shepherd's Hut - please help us to achieve our goal!

Our talented secretary has even written a poem to help entice one in – check it out attached to this email! Just to be clear, we need to have a nomination before the AGM on 28 September. We really hope someone can come forward to support.

Treasurer Role for Hever PTA

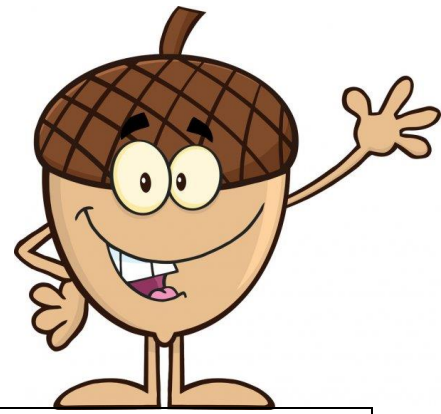
- 1) Commit to 4 PTA meetings a year**
- 2) Use Excel**
- 3) Be comfortable with numbers**
- 4) Be keen!**

Full support will be given for all parts of the role as needed

There are also other positions available on the main committee. You will need to be able to commit to 4 meetings a year and as a committee member you will have voting decisions and will be able to decide on what to spend any money on. Positions are voted on at the AGM so if you would like to support in either role get in touch before.

AND FINALLY...!

Dates for your Diary



Date	Location	Activity	What do you need to do?
Fri 24 Sept 3pm	School Field	Oak Class Sweetie Cone Sale	Bring a pound/card and support Oak Class raise cash for their excursions this year!
Tues 28 Sept 7.30pm	Zoom	AGM	Find us a Treasurer to keep us going! Email heverpta@hever.kent.sch.uk if you would like to attend so we can send you the link. All welcome!
Friday 1 October	Put entry in PTA postbox	Cookbook Cover Competition	Deadline for entries to the 'Hever School Cookbook Cover' competition. All entries should feature food/cooking/eating and be on A4 landscape. We are looking for bright colourful pictures – please leave out the title this will be added on top.
Tues Oct 5 8.30- 8.45am	Hever School Car Park	Bags2School	Collect all our old clothes and donate for our Bag2School Collection to raise money for planting in the Children's garden. Any bag is fine! Here's what we can take: Bag 2 School

Many thanks for your support and we look forward to welcoming some new faces at the meeting!

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