

Hemingford Grey Newsletter

9th February 2018

Have a wonderful half term break. We look forward to seeing you back again to lighter and brighter mornings and evenings as we move swiftly on to the spring and summer. Many thanks to all staff, parents and Governors for your continued support of the school and for working together to make the school the best it can be for our children.

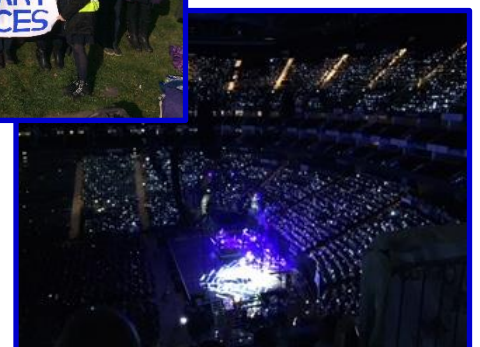


The arrival of the PIANO!

Thanks to your wonderful generosity, we took delivery of our brand, spanking new piano last Thursday. The arrival was very timely as it was during singing assembly, so the piano was sung onto the site by a hall full of very excited children. As we are an educational establishment, we managed to get the piano for just under £2,000 and it will be put to such good use. The old piano has gone to a good home to be further loved by its new owners. We are in the process of gathering the children's views about their education at school and we are hoping to get some good ideas for the next big fundraising project. Watch this space!

Young Voices Choir at the O2

On the 29th January, we took our wonderful choir to join with thousands of other children to create the most incredible sound at the O2 Arena in London. The children were amazing; so well behaved, they sang their hearts out and were full of passion and enthusiasm. Huge thanks to the staff accompanying the trip and to Mrs Robertson and Mrs Matthews for their excellent organisation. Well done to our fantastically dedicated choir. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesdays before school to carry on the good work and prepare for the next big event!



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Come to Learn

Many thanks to all of you who came to learn alongside your children over the last 3 weeks. The sessions were all evaluated highly by you and it was lovely to see so many of you on site. Thank you for your positive evaluations and suggestions for Come to Learn next spring. We are also so pleased to see so many of you at the workshops where again, feedback has been very positive. For working parents, we are aiming to thread evening workshops over the year from the autumn term. Please can I remind you that if you book a place and cannot attend, to let us know so that we can offer the place to other parents. Many thanks.

"The moment you doubt whether you can fly, you cease forever to be able to do it"

(JM Barrie *Peter Pan*)

Check out our website on the school information tab for a very positive report from an external consultant about provision at our school (Still a good school). We are proud of the work we do here and with the continued support of parents and Governors look forward to continuing to aim high for our children.

Public Speaking

Well done to all the children who showed such courage and determination in the Public Speaking competition. There was a huge range of topics and presented so clearly. Judging in every round was very tough. Our finalists today were judged by a panel of 4: Mrs Peat, our vice chair of Governors, Mr Waters a Parish Councillor, Mrs Merrion who is a judge for Crafts and Mr Mills who is the quiz master for both the children's and adult's General Knowledge quizzes (date on the way for adult General Knowledge quiz evening). Finalists were: Elliot, Dominic, Joshua, Theo, Gracie, Lucca, Ollie, Mil and Isla. After a very closely fought contest the winners of the contest are:
Isla (Wolfson), Joshua (St Edmunds)



Parking – Politeness and safety

Please can we remind you to observe the protocols regarding use of the car parks. These have been put in place for the safety of your children. If you are asked to move your car, or are asked to make space on the road for another parent to park, please respond positively and politely to the request. We all share the same aims and interests – the safety and well-being of our pupils and the community.