

Hemingford Grey Newsletter

Welcome back!

We hope that you all enjoyed a relaxing summer break. The children have started the new school year fantastically; demonstrating terrific learning attitudes, collaborating with their peers and challenging themselves to try new things. This term we will be visiting Cambridge on a trip to the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology and visiting Heffers - details coming soon.

We have launched our new theme, 'The UK is varied and diverse. Can we say the same about the countries of Africa?' and the children have already been developing their geography skills by exploring a range of maps.

As ever, if you have any questions whatsoever, please don't hesitate to come and talk to a member of the team.

Best wishes, Mr Churchill, Mr Clarke, Miss Honey and Miss Symons

Reading books

Please ensure that your child brings their reading book and reading record to school every day. The children may be asked to read one to one with an adult during any given point in the week, and it can be disruptive if the book is not in school. Please encourage your child to read at least 5 times a week. Recording a comment is no longer compulsory, but please record the date and pages read.

"Reading is to the mind, what exercise is to the body."

HOMEWORK

Spelling books

Please ensure that spelling books are brought into school **every Friday**.

Theme homework

Theme homework will be set termly, allowing more time for the children to respond to the question. It is encouraged that the children think creatively and use the time well to demonstrate their learning.

Maths Homework

Year 5

Maths homework is set weekly on a **Friday** and due in the following Friday. Please ensure that homework folders are in school by the Friday with the completed homework ready for checking.

Year 6

Maths homework will be set on a **Wednesday** and is due in on the following **Monday**. This is to fit in with additional maths sessions the children will have with Miss Honey on a Wednesday morning.

Times tables

Please continue to support your child in learning their times tables. It's vital that children are reinforcing them each day-even if it's just 5 minutes! Putting the effort in now will make maths learning much more fluid both now and long term!

If I know $4 \times 6 = 24$

I also know that...

$6 \times 4 = 24$ $24 \div 4 = 6$ $60 \times 4 = 240$ $240 \div 6 = 40$

$8 \times 6 = 48$ $2 \times 6 = 12$ $1/6$ of $24 = 4$



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Dates for your Diary:

21st September - Parents' open afternoon at 3pm to visit new classes

12th October- Individual and family photos

9th and 11th October- Parents' evening

30th November- Christmas fayre

No KS2 performances - Summer term

14th December- UKS2 Party

18th December- Church trip KS2 11:00am.

P.E.

This term, PE will take place on Wednesday morning. We are fortunate to be working alongside St. Neots Football Academy, whose coaches will be working with class teachers to deliver high quality PE lessons. Please ensure that children have appropriate PE kit in school every day, which should include outdoor trainers, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms, and a white top. Children with long hair will be asked to tie it in a ponytail so please ensure that your child has a bobble in school if needed. Also, earrings must be removed or covered with tape for health and safety.

Outdoor Learning

Please ensure your children have a pair of outdoor shoes and a coat on Tuesday afternoons so that they can participate in outdoor learning.



"There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work and learning from mistakes."

