



Hemingford Grey
SCHOOL

Meet the Teacher Autumn 2018

Together **E**veryone **A**chieves **M**ore



Who's who...Teaching assistants

Mrs McMahon



Mrs Spenceley



Mrs Seamark



Mrs Glass



Miss Jaffe



Who's Who ... additional teachers



Mrs Lew



Mr Wilcox



Key successes for last year...

Ofsted Inspection

- Staff and pupils have worked, together, to define the school's values of 'resourcefulness, reflectiveness, resilience, relationships, risk taking and respect'. These are a lived reality in the school's day-to-day life and work.
- Pupils enjoy thinking deeply about the 'big questions' that they are asked to consider. They listen carefully to each other's views and understand, in the words of one pupil, that 'sometimes getting it wrong first helps you to get it right later'.
- You have worked with your team of leaders to find the most effective practice in other schools and to use that to inform your plans for improvement. These are well focused and based upon a secure analysis of strengths and areas for development.
- By the time pupils reach key stage 2, these ways of working become second nature.

Key successes for last year...

- Children used the outside environment well and developed key skills to support the Open Gardens event.
- Science was a key priority and the children benefitted from an engaging science week and a wider range of science learning throughout the year.

School Improvement Priorities

- Ensuring there are plentiful opportunities for children to experience the wider curriculum.
- A curriculum review of teaching and learning will take place with enhanced focus on how to deliver deep learning tasks within the theme questions and independent learning time.
- Working hard to continue to embed the learning zone model throughout the school to ensure we continue to strive towards cutting edge learning and high academic standards.

Key Characteristics of Year 1/2

- ▶ Unique place for children to learn
- ▶ A range of continuous provision
- ▶ Opportunities to develop independent learning skills
- ▶ Setting to encourage collaboration
- ▶ Learning from your mistakes and developing the 6Rs

Changes from Foundation Stage

- ▶ More 'formal' setting during class time
- ▶ Style of independent tasks change
- ▶ Higher expectations in productivity

Theme and learning experiences

► Land ahoy! Maps and globes, what do they tell us about the world?

- Geography
- Technology
- Science

► Trips and visitors

You will receive information about this in the coming weeks

Typical day

	8.50-9.10	9.10-9.25	9.30-10.30	10.30-10.45	10.45-11.00	11.00-12.15	12.15-1.15	1.15-1.45	1.45-3.15
Tuesday	Morning Work	Phonics	English Learning Zone	Assembly	Break time	English Learning Zone	Lunch	Fierce Maths Guided Reading	Theme Lesson
Wednesday	Morning Work	Phonics	Maths Learning Zone	Fruit time	Break time	Maths Learning Zone	Lunch	Fierce Maths Guided Reading	PE



Spelling

How will spelling be taught?

- 15 minute phonics sessions every day
- 10-15 minute spelling sessions 3 times per week (Y2s)

What are the test arrangements and how are these different to last year?

- 20 words to spell at the end of the year (Y2)
- All children to spell key tricky words accurately

How can parents support at home?

- Practise tricky words at home every day
- Pick up on spelling mistakes and children to correct themselves



Homework

- ▶ Reading EVERY DAY
- ▶ Spelling homework once per 2 weeks
- ▶ Regular handwriting practice
- ▶ Weekly maths homework
- ▶ Times tables
 - Y1 - 2x, 5x and 10x
 - Y2 - 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x



Attendance and Punctuality

- ▶ Doors open at 8.50am.
- ▶ School starts at 9.00am and the registers close at this time.
- ▶ Children arriving in the classroom after 9.00am will be marked as late.
- ▶ Attendance dropping below 90% results in school contacting parents with improvements expected.
- ▶ Thank you for support - so far punctuality has been excellent.



Uniform

- ▶ Please ensure that children are following the school uniform code, which can also be viewed on the website.
- ▶ <https://schoolkit.org.uk/13-hemingford-grey-primary-school>
- ▶ Again, thank you - the children look really smart.



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Looking forward to a fantastic year ahead...!

- ▶ **Practice Practice Practice**

- ▶ **6Rs**

Any questions?



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