# Hemingford Grey Newsletter





Year 1 and 2 - January 2018

### Welcome back!

We hope that you all had a peaceful and relaxing Christmas break. Thank you for the lovely gifts that were sent in before the holiday - it really was appreciated.

It is lovely to see the children back in school, raring and ready to go for the term ahead. This term is much shorter than the last one, so there's a lot to pack in! As ever, if you have any questions throughout the term, please do come and speak to us.

Miss Atkins, Miss Griffiths and Mr Mepham

### 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.

### **Maths**

This term we will be moving onto the concepts of multiplication and division. Please keep practising your times tables (Y1 - 2x, 5x and 10x/Y2 - 2x, 3x, 5x and 10x) every day at home as knowing these number facts will support your child's understanding.

We will also be focussing on telling the time. This can often be a tricky concept for children. As much exposure to clocks as possible will support children in their learning. Please talk to children using analogue clocks. In Y1 children need to know o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to times. In Y2, children need to be able to tell the time to 5 minute intervals.







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# Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January -Spelling and Grammar Parent Workshop

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February - Maths Parent Workshop

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February - Public Speaking Final

W/B Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - HALF TERM

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March - Growth Mindset/Learning Behaviour Parent Workshop

W/B Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March - NO CLUBS

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' evening - 3.30pm-7.30pm

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March -Parents' evening - 3.30pm-6pm

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March - Class Celebration - 2.30pm-3.00pm

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - KS1 church visit

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Final day of term.

## P.E.

This year, PE will continue to take place on Wednesday afternoons. We are continuing to work alongside St. Neots Football Academy and alongside Phil from Hunts gym. 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 pony tail and earrings must be removed or covered with tape for health and safety. If your child has long hair please encourage them to wear it up on a Wednesday or have a hairband in school.

This term's theme for Years 1 and 2 is 'Healthy body, happy mind. What does this mean?' We will be learning about human and animal bodies and skeletons. We will be observing them closely and measuring the bones to make comparisons.

We will also be learning about how to keep our minds healthy by challenging ourselves in learning, whilst also being able to manage our emotions. We will be learning about Mindfulness.

"Remain curious and keep learning"