

### Year 5 and 6 September 2017



## Hemingford Grey Newsletter

#### Welcome back!

We hope that you all enjoyed a relaxing summer break. The children have started the new school year with a bang; demonstrating terrific learning attitudes, collaborating with their peers and challenging themselves to try new things. This term we have many exciting trips and visits (more news to follow on these) and the children have started off the new theme with a WOW day exploring Tudor life. Please see some of the photos on the following page.

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 read at least X5 times a week with your child.

'A book is a dream that you hold in your hand'.

Neil Gaiman

#### Times tables

Throughout the year, we are going to be focusing on ensuring that children have fluently learnt their times tables. It is expected in the national curriculum that children leave Year 4 knowing their times tables up to 12x12, however we appreciate this is a difficult task. We ask that as parents, you help us to support your children with this challenge and help to learn the times tables at home. Each week, children are going to be undertaking a timed task in class, hoping to improve their personal bests at recording the tables each week. Times tables will also be applied across many other areas of maths.

#### **HOMEWORK**

#### Spelling books

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

#### Learning logs

Please see below to indicate when children need to bring in homework books this term.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

#### HALF TERM

3<sup>rd</sup> November 17<sup>th</sup> November 1<sup>st</sup> December 15<sup>th</sup> December

Please ensure that books are brought in with children on time. Even if homework is in the form of a model, or is posted on Edmodo, please bring the book in so that the next homework task can be stuck in. Thank you for your cooperation.

<u>Mathletics</u> - Please complete every week

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#### Dates for your Diary:

12<sup>th</sup> October- Individual and family photos

11<sup>th</sup> and 12 October- Parents' evening

10<sup>th</sup> November- KS2 disco 6.30pm-8pm

1st December-Christmas fayre

12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> December- KS2 Carol Concert

15<sup>th</sup> December- KS2 Party

18<sup>th</sup> December- Church trip KS2 11:00am

Information about a theme trip will be coming shortly.



Hay making

#### P.E.

This term, PE will continue to take place on Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon. On Wednesday, 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.



Tudor Bread and Tudor Dance



#### 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.

If you have any old wellies, we would be pleased to receive any donations.

"The more that you read, the more things that you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go." Dr Seuss