

Hemingford Grey Newsletter

10th February 2017

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 parents, staff and Governors for your continued support of the school and helping to make provision for the children the best it can be.

Photography competition

Well done to the staff and children who entered the photography competition. Our winners are justifiably very proud! Their stunning photos can be viewed at the end of the newsletter. They each received well-earned points for their Houses. Thanks to Mr Tootell for judging the competition for us.



Come to Learn

It was lovely to see so many of you attending the Come to Learn sessions. We had a record 113 visits into school during the week and everyone who came agreed the sessions were useful to support children and all felt warmly welcomed. Thank you for the many very supportive comments we received following the sessions. Please remember that we are here to answer any questions you may have. No question is too small or too simple; we love them all!

> Dates for your Diary Please check the website and weekly reminders for diary dates.

School Uniform reminder

The children generally look very smart in their school uniform, thank you for supporting us in this. Please can we remind you that if children wear earrings, these should be plain studs. In addition, shoes should be navy or black and be robust enough to support your child's feet during

playtime.

Expectations regarding uniform can be seen on our website and a copy of our expectations is attached for your information.

Please remember that the lost property boxes will no longer operate after half term. Named pieces of uniform will be returned to children as they are found, unnamed will be put in bags in classes and if unclaimed will then be collected up to go to the uniform shop in St Ives.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO LABEL ALL OF YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL CLOTHING.

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Grammar Evening

Thank you to those who attended the grammar evening. From your feed-back you found it very useful. We do agree it was a dash through some quite difficult concepts and after listening to your feedback we have decided to run a session for each key stage next year. As ever, in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us with any queries regarding supporting your child at home. We are here to help

> Don't forget to send us details of your child's achievements outside school so we can celebrate them on the house on the house

Out-door Learning Focus

As you know we have the most wonderful learning environment in our grounds. We are really getting to grips with this now, establishing an out-door learning programme led by Mr Churchill. Over the year, all children will be taught key scientific, geographic and environmental concepts using the outside environment. We have a focussed science week in March and as part of this, children across the school will be learning outside.









Children from Year 5 and 6 prepared toffee apples, learnt how to light fires using steel and flint, created a portrait using natural resources and built a survival shelter.

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.

CONTINUE BELOW TO SEE THE BEAUTIFUL PHOTOGRPAHS FROM THE PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

