

Hemingford Grey Primary School Newsletter



Friday 13th January 2023

Mrs Marriott News Update:

A busy full week back to school and great to see parents and carers at Miss Symons Coffee and Connect morning. We have lots of parent/carer engagement events booked for the spring term. There is no pressure for you to attend everything as we understand the working demands that parents have at different times over a week. Please attend what you can. We are excited to be building community links and parent partnerships again and there are lots of opportunities to engage.

As we move through January, there are a number of 'Awareness' days, week, months and Religious Festivals and events which are nationally recognised. We reflect on some of these at an age-appropriate level in assemblies, class discussions and throughout the curriculum. If you are interested in finding out more to start talking about these at home, they are: Veganuary (January 1 - January 31) Veganuary 2023¹, Epiphany (6 January 6th) - Epiphany², World Religions Day (January 15th) World Religion Day - Teaching Resources - BBC Teach³, Holocaust Memorial Day (January 27th) Holocaust Memorial Day Trust | Schools (hmd.org.uk)⁴, RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch Weekend (January 28th-29th) RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch Weekend⁵

Thank you again for all the help and commitment in coming to or helping with the Christmas Fair. We raised a fantastic **£1,645**. We are continuing to raise money towards development of outside areas in school which can benefit all children.

We have some avid chess players setting up their own club in school; any donations of unused chess boards are welcome.

Staying Safe

¹<https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/veganuary-2023/>

²<http://projectbritain.com/Xmas/twelfth.htm>

³<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/worldreligion-day-teaching-resources/zs6fsk7>

⁴<https://www.hmd.org.uk/take-part-in-holocaust-memorial-day/schools/>

⁵<http://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch/>

Online safety is a continued focus following the new gifts and gadgets which children may have received at Christmas. We are holding Online Safety Virtual Lunchtime session – one for FS/KS1 and one for KS2 (**meeting link details for the KS2 session on Monday noted below in the 'What's On Next Week' session**). These are just 30 minutes log and popped in at lunchtime, so that hopefully anyone who is at work, can log in whilst they eat their sandwich. Online Safety is a key focus at home and at school so working together to keep children safe is a shared responsibility.

Enjoy the weekend!

Best Wishes

Kirsten Marriott

Headteacher

Hemingford Grey Primary School vs Great Paxton Primary School - Wednesday 11th January

The Year 6 Hemingford football team took on the might of Great Paxton on a wet Wednesday afternoon down on Daintree Green. The team showed outstanding teamwork and ultimately, came away 3-0 victors - a well deserved win and on to the quarter finals. A special thanks to the parents who helped make the game possible by lining the pitch and setting out the goals. The boys and I appreciate the help!



CELEBRATE 

A reminder: We would like to be able to continue to celebrate any successes your children have out of school and would like your help to be able to do this! If you have anything you think we

could celebrate about your child, please email: mparker@hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk⁶ with a photo or copy of a certificate for example so we can display it on the 'Let's Celebrate' section of our house point boards the in the school hall. The achievement really can be anything! Maybe your child has passed a ballet exam, won a football match or learnt to ride their bike. Big or small we want to be able to celebrate their success!

What's on next week:

Monday 16th January

Online Safety Virtual Lunchtime Session KS2 - 1:00-1:30pm - Log on via the meeting link:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78402492670?pwd=VkGENPHmpZr8BI68IbDDNGV14ZGtyC.1>

Meeting ID: 784 0249 2670

Passcode: pdu44k

AnsteyArt After School Art Club:

- Years 2&3 – 3:15-4:20pm
- Years 4, 5 & 6 - 4:30-5:30pm

Tuesday 17th January

Swimming Year 3 Sessions - 1:30-3:20pm (Please can you ensure that your child has a swimming costume or swim shorts, a towel and a swimming hat)

Wednesday 18th January

Hemingford Harriers Running Club - 8:05-8:35am (meet past the bike shed on the school field)

Come to Understand - 8:50-9:50am (MP/DJ) Mental Health Resilience and Self-regulation (please see the poster attached to the email for further information)

Forest School After School Club - 3:15-5:00pm

Friday 20th January

Netball After School Club - 3:20-4:20 : Years 4/5/6

Parent News and Information:

- Volunteers are needed for *The Hemingford Cricket Club*: They need parent coaches / volunteers otherwise they won't be able to run cricket for the younger age groups this summer. Club membership is predominantly from Hemingford school and giving the opportunity for children to take part in team sport has lots of benefits, both from a social

⁶<mailto:mparker@hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk>

and physical perspective. They are a not for profit organisation and 100% volunteer run. Please see the poster below for further information.

- Also please see the below poster on the forthcoming Hemingford Park Cricket Club Ball



Volunteers Needed for Summer '23
Hemingford Park Cricket Club needs the next **generation** of volunteer coaches and helpers.

All Stars "Activators" (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)
"The Activator is the key volunteer who will create a fun and inclusive environment for kids and parents alike. Activators should be enthusiastic, vibrant and motivated people who will inspire young children and create a fantastic all-round experience. Although many All Stars Cricket activators will have some experience of cricket, it is by no means essential."
<https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars/>

U9s (years 3 and 4) - Coach softball cricket in a fun and inclusive environment.
Training will be paid for and there is lots of support from coaches in older age groups and the senior teams.
Contact hemingfordparkcricketclub@gmail.com for more information
Hemingford Park Cricket Club - www.hpcc.co.uk



FUND RAISING EVENT FOR HEMINGFORD PARK
CRICKET CLUB 2023 SEASON

THE CRICKET BALL

AT
Slepe Hall

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Drinks on Arrival | 3 Course Meal
Fundraising Auction | Raffle | Disco

SATURDAY MARCH 4TH	TIME 6PM - 1AM	PRICE £65 PER TICKET
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BLACK TIE EVENT

TO BOOK YOUR TICKET/RESERVE A TABLE
CONTACT DAN - 07734323860

Select from Aspens : Census days happen twice a year and the statistics gathered by the Government determine the schools funding for the coming year. One important section is the number of school meals provided on that one day (particularly Reception and Key Stage 1) so we need to maximise school meal uptake for that day. We would really appreciate your support by allowing your child to have a school meal on Thursday 19th January – it will really help to secure the schools funding for the coming year. Below is a menu, meal choices are to be booked in the usual way via Aspens Select (if you had made option choices for next Thursday you will need to re-select as new menu options have

been uploaded). *Please rest assured that all dietary requirements such as vegan, vegetarian, dairy free etc will be accommodated.*

Many thanks for your support



**FOOD
FESTIVAL**
by Aspens

**COME AND JOIN US
FOR LUNCH ON**
Thursday 19th January

Hot Dog
with Wedges and Beans
Or
Cheese & Banie Wrap
with Wedges
Or
Tomato Pasta
Or
Fresh Sandwich
with a choice of fillings
Or
Jacket potato
with a choice of filling
**& Chocolate Sponge with
Custard**