

# Hemingford Grey Primary School

## Newsletter 3rd November 2023



### This week's news

We seem to have survived the storm ok and hope for a weekend of good weather ahead. Due to weather conditions, the school field is out of use for playtimes, so our staggered lunchtime helps ensure the children all have space to play. We still have weekly football clubs for KS2 which take place on the grass.

Thank you to parents/carers who came to the Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging Come to Understand. It was great to openly discuss our school's journey and gain an understanding of how we can work in collaboration as we continue on this journey to ensure our young people are equipped as future citizens of the world.

Thank you to the 126 parents/carers who responded to our most recent poll; your views and contributions support us to work in collaboration and partnership with you to improve the school. Please

remember if you have concerns, the best way forward is to come and talk to us so that we can focus on solutions. If you would like to know more about what your child is learning about at school, please see the curriculum pages<sup>1</sup> on the school website. In future, we will provide i-pads at some school events like coffee mornings and Home/School meetings to enable as many parent/carer views as possible.

This week, our School Primary Advisor visited the school and completed a learning walk with SLT – a snapshot of her feedback:

*“In KS2, the role of adults supporting learning and ensuring adaptations to enable children to access the curriculum was impressive. Every child was on task, involved and in some cases engrossed in learning. Children were using i-pads to research and complete tasks related to the Big Question. Behaviour for learning was gorgeous. In KS1, there was a high level of consistency. The provision in the classroom enabled children to practice and use and apply learning. The provision and opportunity for children to practice and use the resources in the shared space e.g the DT project really works and it was great to see how children were using their learning to evaluate their vehicles and review their effectiveness.”*

Staying Safe:

Please remember that our safeguarding policy is that mobile phones are not used on the playground. Pupils arriving independently at school should keep phones in their pockets or bags and hand them in to their teacher when they get into class. Please can all parents/carers be positive role models for our pupils and refrain from using phones on the playground.

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Adams, who has worked at the school for 10 years. Whilst we wish her well in her new and exciting role, we will miss her.


Please enjoy a lovely weekend!

**Here is a selection of  
views and contributions  
from our most recent poll.  
Please click here to scroll  
through the responses.**


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<sup>1</sup>[http://www.hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk/web/curriculum\\_and\\_learning/632576](http://www.hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk/web/curriculum_and_learning/632576)






Communication can be hard to keep on top of; I guess this reflects the information overload of society.



My daughter has just started in Reception and she is very happy and settled. I can't praise the Reception staff enough.



Lunches have been a frustration, but seem to be slowly improving.

**It was great to join a school trip as a parent helper; the children were so well behaved and had a great time.**

Hemingford Harriers, our running club are already clocking up the miles! If you would like to join in, come along (children must be accompanied by an adult) to run a few laps before school on a Wednesday morning at 8am. Certificates are shared in Celebration Assembly and are given for various mile targets achieved. The wonderful Hemingford Harriers t-shirts are awarded at 10 miles!



## *What's on during the week commencing Monday 6th November*

### ***Tuesday 7th November***

**Choir** - 8:15am.

### ***Wednesday 8th November***

**Hemingford Harriers Running Club** 8.05am-8.35am (meet past the bike shed on the school field)

**Dance Club** - 3:15pm - 4:15pm

*During next week the year 6 children will be visiting classes to offer the children an opportunity to make a cash donation to the Poppy Appeal and receive a poppy.*



*To kick start Anti-bullying week on Monday 13th November, children are invited to wear odd socks to raise awareness. The theme this year is 'Make a Noise about Bullying' and we will be supporting this message throughout the week.*



*Children In Need is back on Friday 17th November! We will be supporting this by having a 'Bright and Colourful' non-uniform day. Please ensure that clothing is weather appropriate and suitable to take part in a typical school day. Should you wish to make a donation to Children In Need, please do so via your Schoolgateway account.*





## Additional Information for Families

### Education Inclusion Family Advisor Newsletter November 2023



#### A message from me.....

If you would like to arrange an appointment to discuss your support needs, please follow the link or scan the QR code below:

<https://forms.office.com/r/a0B7jLL23i>



#### Remembrance



November is the month in which we remember our Armed Forces, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day, on the 11<sup>th</sup> Month, at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour (Armistice Day).

The Sunday closest to this day (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023) is when we as a nation celebrate Remembrance Sunday with services and parades across the country. Live on BBC1 at The Cenotaph.

#### Festival of Remembrance:

Is a great way to learn more about the forces and in particular, what significant dates we are celebrating alongside our annual remembrance.

To watch/listen: Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November, on BBC1/BBC Radio 2 at 9pm. The ceremony will also be available on BBC iPlayer shortly after.



[Remembrance events | Royal British Legion](#)

[Home - Little Troopers](#) - Military Children Support



[SSAFA the Armed Forces charity](#)

#### Workshops

Please see below the list of workshops that we are delivering this term. They are all accessed via Microsoft Teams.

- 12-1pm: Digital safety/ internet safety  
– 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023
- 12-1pm: Parental wellbeing  
– 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023
- 12-1:30pm: Supporting with feelings of worry  
– 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023
- 12-1:30pm: Supporting with feelings of anger  
– 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023
- 12-1pm: Sleep – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Here is the link to the booking form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/rMYxyBgixQ>



Include children in the day-to-day tasks and give them options to choose from where possible. Children go through life with plans set out for them, giving them some control helps them to feel they are included, valued and listened to.

#### When looking at choices and consequences with behaviour:

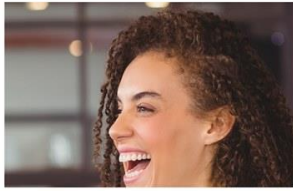
##### Choices

- Limited choices that are acceptable to you
- Positive redirection
- Encourage thinking "What would be a good behaviour choice?"

##### Consequences

- Logical or natural consequences related to the behaviour. (Three "R's" – Related, Reasonable & Respectful and Helpful)
- Known or aware of in advance.
- Consistent each time & followed through.





## VACANCY CATERING ASSISTANT HEMINGFORD GREY PRIMARY

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## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

**St Ives**  
METHODIST CHURCH

**November 25th 2023 | 10am - 2pm**

- Craft stalls from local sellers
- Tombola/raffle
- Children's game stalls
- Refreshments
- Carols from St Ives Musical Theatre Choir
- Meet Father Christmas in his grotto, £3 per child

