

Hemingford Grey Primary School

Newsletter 20th October 2023



This week's picture has been kindly chosen by Joel R. Thank you Joel, from Mrs Coulter.

This week's news

With very wet weather, we end our half term with so many successes to celebrate with trips and visits, sports day, cooking, forest school and much more.

With so much superb learning taking place across the school, if you would like to look in more detail at the curriculum taught at Hemingford Grey, our curriculum section of the website can be found here: Hemingford Grey Primary School¹

¹http://www.hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk/web/curriculum_and_learning/632576

We have so much uniform around the school which is left behind by pupils and has not yet been claimed. Where uniform is named, we endeavour to return these items to their rightful owner. Please check over the half term that school uniform is named, especially jumpers and coats.

Stephen Hawking (Yellow House Team) enjoyed an extra play today as their reward for being in the lead this half term with 953 House Points. It was lovely to see the youngest and oldest children across school playing together as a House Team.

Staying Safe:

Thank you to those parents and carers who are committed to keeping our children safe as they walk to and from school. Despite many reminders on newsletters, there continues to be unsafe parking on the roads outside the school. This week a frustrated member of our school parent/carer community has taken our advice and taken a photo of vehicles parked unsafely and reported this to the police. I ask again, for the safety of all our children and to prevent a dangerous accident occurring, please park with consideration for the safety of all children.

For those families using AKtivities this half term, have fun! For all those enjoying other activities over the holiday, we wish you some dry and sunny days and look forward to seeing you after the break on Monday 30th October.

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 30th October

Monday 30th October

Back to school after the half term holiday

Tuesday 31st October

Choir - 8:15am.

Wednesday 1st November

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

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

Additional Information for Families

Please do continue to send in any celebrations of children's achievements outside of school to go up on our house celebration boards in the hall. These can be emailed to office@hemingfordgrey.cambs.sch.uk

What are
Champions of
Change you ask?



Champions of Change

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) is a school subject through which pupils develop the knowledge, skills and attributes they need to keep themselves healthy and safe, and prepared for life and work. Our PSHE curriculum aims to develop skills and attributes such as resilience, self-esteem, risk-management, team work and critical thinking in the context of three core themes: health and wellbeing, relationships and living in the wider world.

The children from Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 have been introduced to the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals which set out to achieve peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future.

We want the children to feel empowered to make a contribution to achieving these goals and therefore we will be linking them to what will now be called 'Champions of Change,' previously known as House/Vice Captains. The Champions will be elected by the children each term and lead a small project that makes a difference to help others and our planet. We want to give as many children the opportunity to have the responsibility and privilege to be a Champion if they wish, and therefore there will be one representative for each House from Key stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 each year. The team of 12 children will be supported by their Houses and staff to lead an event, fundraiser or experience e.g. Christmas food parcels, reduce food waste in our school, grow your own, supporting local food bank etc.

If your child has put their name forward to be nominated this term or perhaps would like to in the future, they will be required to prepare a speech or presentation to briefly share why they would make a good representative. Staff have spoken to the children about qualities and attributes that make a fantastic Champion e.g. passionate, enthusiastic, communicates well, listens, organised, has ideas, confidence, creative etc.

The first elections for this term will be held in the first week back after half term.

We hope this will give all the children the opportunity to work collaboratively to make a difference in their community, nationally and globally.

To find out more about The Global Goals

<https://www.globalgoals.org/>





The Rotary Club of St Ives, Cambridgeshire

Holiday ideas for school aged children

- why not consider entering our
Youth competitions?

- **YOUNG ARTIST**
 - **YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALIST**
 - **YOUNG WRITER**
 - **YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER**

Age groups – (all as of August 31st 2023)

- Junior – up to 10
- Intermediate – 11 to 13
- Senior – 14 – 17

Themes and information –

YOUNG ARTIST Theme - 'Rebuilding' – entries to be 2-dimensional and no more than A2.
Find out more at www.rotary1070.org or email eswain@stivesrotarycambs.org.uk

YOUNG ENVIRONMENTALIST Theme - 'Waste minimisation' or an environmental theme of your choice – individuals or groups are challenged to interact with the environment, address environmental issues, and develop and explore potential solutions.
Find out more at www.rotary1070.org or email psadler@stivesrotarycambs.org.uk

YOUNG WRITER Theme - 'Rebuilding' – use your creative writing skills to produce a written or typed poem (no more than 40 lines) or story (no more than 550 words).
Find out more at www.rotary1070.org or email sking@stivesrotarycambs.org.uk

YOUNG PHOTOGRAPHER Theme - 'Rebuilding' – enter one digital photo accompanied by a short descriptive narrative.
Find out more at www.rotary1070.org or email jmurdoch@stivesrotarycambs.org.uk

The closing date for all entries is January 1st 2024, but entries can be submitted now.

PICTURE TRAILS – Join our Facebook page to find all of our local Village Picture Trails - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/441434587385145> The idea is simple - follow a map and/or route directions to find picture clues and answer simple questions relating to each clue site. Each trail is about 2km long or 30 minutes adult walking and is designed with accessibility and families in mind. So far, we have trails in Needingworth (2 trails that could be combined), Holywell, Hilton, Hemingford Grey and Hemingford Abbots.

Have fun!



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