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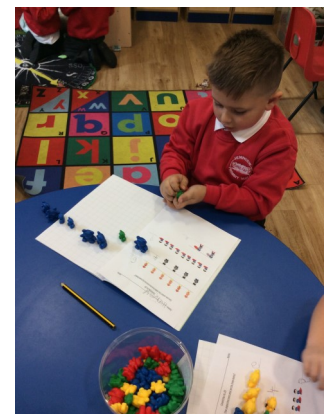
**“Aiming high; learning together; living together”**

Choosing the right school for your child is an important step in your child’s life. We hope the information contained in this booklet will help you find out more about our wonderful school. We are a small school with a big heart.

Since 1878, our small school has served the beautiful Leicestershire villages of Hemington, Lockington and Castle Donington. We were rated Good by Ofsted in March 2018. As a small school, all our staff and pupils know and support each other. Pupils have many opportunities for seeing and being positive role-models across the school, in terms of learning, behaviour and communication. In all aspects of school life, being small does not limit opportunities, but can definitely create more opportunities.

Our children say that “ ***our small school makes you feel safe***” and is “***caring, safe, healthy and creative.***” It is a place where, “***everyone is your friend***” .

If you would like more information on our school, please do not hesitate to get in touch.





## **Mission Statement**

To create a happy, caring, challenging environment which enables the development of confident, independent learners who have the opportunity to achieve their maximum potential and gain respect for themselves and others .

Our school comprises of dedicated staff, an enthusiastic governing body and supportive parents who encourage the children to achieve their potential. The school has a friendly, family feel enabling all pupils to feel safe and secure, which allows all pupils to access their learning and to develop to the best of their ability. We are always available to speak with parents and welcome families into our school whenever we can.

The school is placed in a close knit community and has good relationships with local amenities e.g. Lockington Village Hall, St Nicholas Church, Lockington and Castle Donington College. Hemlock sports field is used during the Summer and Autumn term for our PE lessons. We are supporting the building of the Sports Pavilion on Hemlock Field, which will greatly enhance the opportunities school can provide. Lockington Church and Lockington Village Hall are the venues for school productions.



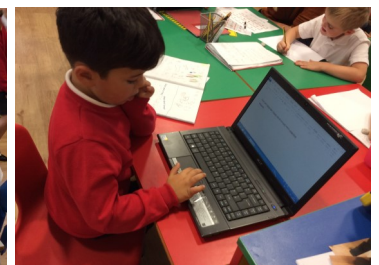
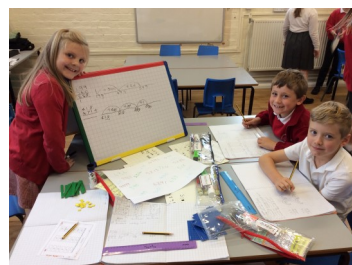


# Our Curriculum & Learning Environment

## “Working hard; playing hard”

Hemington Primary School provides a rich and diverse curriculum which we have tailored to complement our setting and community. We work hard to ensure each child makes good progress whatever their starting points. Teachers are adept at teaching across the year groups and are able to challenge those who are more able, whilst supporting and including those who may require extra assistance. We expect pupils to work hard, but we also value the whole child through the wider curriculum. All pupils have dance, drama and music sessions; older pupils learn to play the ukulele; we stage high quality performances; we develop artistic skills; we offer a wide variety of sports including swimming; we develop resilience through outdoor adventure and challenge; we develop the STEM subjects of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths through hands-on learning opportunities; we extend IT skills through the use of a comprehensive computing curriculum using up-to-date technology.

Every child has the opportunity to experience Forest School on a weekly basis, led by our trained Forest School practitioner. Over the years, we have emphasised the benefits of working outside as it increases health, well-being and social skills as well as making all aspects of learning more hands on and exciting.



# *Extra curricular*

## “Developing the whole child”

**Breakfast Club:** Our breakfast club runs every school day from 7.30 to 8.30 am.

**After School Clubs:** We run a number of afterschool clubs throughout the year such as STEM Engineering club, Coding and Computing Club and Arts and Crafts clubs. We have local ties with Footsteps Footloose Afterschool Club who collect children from school on a daily basis.

**Residential visits:** These are offered to children in **Years 4, 5 and 6**. These visits include outdoor activities e.g abseiling, rock walks, den building and team activities. In previous years, we have visited Mount Cook Adventure Centre, YHA Sherwood Forest, YHA Coalbrook Dale and are soon to visit Whitemoor Lakes in Lichfield.

**Red Dot Drama:** Children throughout the school have opportunities to develop dance and drama skills with an external theatre company. They put on productions in outside venues at least twice a year.

**Premier Sports:** Premier Sports Education provide coaching during our PE lessons throughout school. They cover a wide range of sports from athletics to gymnastics.

**Swimming:** Years 3-5 take part in swimming lessons at East Leake Leisure centre during the spring term.

**Music:** Children in Years 3, 4 5 and 6 have the opportunity to learn the ukulele each week. Ukulele performances are given to parents at Christmas and at the end of the year.

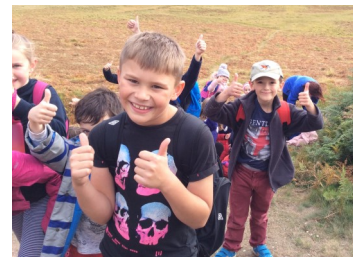


# What We Can Offer Your Child

**“Every child; every chance; every day”**

A school rated Good by Ofsted March 2018

- Small class sizes - less than 60 pupils on roll
- High quality teaching staff
- Classroom Support Staff
- Pastoral Care – we know each individual child’s strengths and needs
- An active & involved Governors and PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association)
- Bright spacious classrooms
- An outdoor woodland learning area
- Residential visits
- Extracurricular activities - dance, drama, music, swimming, sports, coding, science, crafts and engineering
- Access to large sporting field, Village Hall and local area
- Use of up-to-date IT equipment
- Footsteps Nursery collection for use of their Footloose



## Social Media

We have an active Facebook and Twitter feed.

Please follow us to keep up to date with school life.



@HemingtonPS

## Admissions

Applications for 2021/2022 need to be submitted before **15th January 2022**. Please apply on-line:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/popular-now/apply-for-a-primary-school-place>



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