



Hemington News

8th January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have settled back into school very well after their Christmas break and have been telling us all about the wonderful time that they have had over the holidays.

This half term, each class will be starting our exciting new History curriculum. Class 1 are focusing on Dinosaurs and comparing the prehistoric era with now and how Mary Anning was significant in finding out about this period, Class 2 are finding out about the changes in Britain from the Stone age to the Iron age and Class 3 The Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England. More information can be found on the class newsletters (class 1/2 sent theirs this week, class 3's to follow).

Mr Pattinson has joined our team as both teaching assistant and our PE/Outdoor learning specialist. This has enabled us to offer extra-curricular activities daily. He is running the new Forest School club every Monday and new film club on Fridays along with some old favourites. Watch this space for photos. Please see the clubs on offer later in the newsletter.

Alongside the after school clubs we will be offering choir for years 2-6 at a Wednesday lunch. This will be starting over the next few weeks. Our school council are also leading on a Tuesday club which starts with an art focus. This will change each half term.

Our Wellbeing Ambassadors met this week and together have produced a wellbeing charter. They were keen to get started and shared some great ideas. This will be shared in assembly.

Finally we welcome Miss Kalsi who is the new class 3 teacher and Miss Rowlands who is working as a TA. Both have settled in well and the children have produced some great work already. Mrs Stevens is continuing her tutoring programme and offering some breakfast club coaching even earlier than last year to support some of our year 6's with their SATS.

As always many thanks for your continued support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Next newsletter is the 26th Jan 2024

Mrs Reay, Miss Timbrell and the Hemington Team



Composers



In assembly, we talk about the lives of musicians and composers. This half term we are looking at classical composers. Our composer of the week has been Vivaldi. We have played Spring from his Four Seasons piece.



Healthy Eating at School



REMINDER



Children will be asked to **ONLY** take fruit or a healthy snack for their breaktime. Packed lunches should contain healthier options with only one treat for pudding.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL LUNCHES/SNACKS ARE NUT FREE.

We also ask parents to send water in their child's drink bottle.

We will be attempting to gain our **Healthy Schools Award** this year. We need our whole school community to be involved in helping us achieve this.

Stars of the Week



Class 1: Felix for being ready to learn without needing reminders

Class 2: Kurtis for independent maths work and being resilient when things are challenging.

Class 3: Charlie for always being ready to learn.

They will be displayed proudly on our 'hall of fame' wall opposite the library.

Photos on FACEBOOK Hemington Primary

I WONDER WHO HAS THE POSTCARDS THIS WEEK?



HEMINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

You may have heard your children speak about our school expectations or noticed that they have received a certificate for RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY or READINESS. We are very proud of all the children at Hemington for trying their best and ensuring that they are at all times;

Respectful of themselves and others

Responsible for their learning and behaviour

Ready to engage in learning and to do their best.



Accelerated Reader



Please ensure that your child reads daily.

When they finish their book, they complete an online quiz using their Accelerated Reader account.



Improving Attendance

Introducing the Hemington Pizza Party

Good attendance is vital for learning and making friends at school. On Monday 15th January we are launching a 2024 scheme to motivate the children into coming into school every day.

As well as celebrating the class with the highest attendance on the school newsletter the children will win a slice of pizza to put on the pizza display in the hall. The class to gain the highest number of pizza slices over each half term will have a free 'party'.

Hemington's Pizza Parties consist of:

A pizza slice and cookie for each child in the class.

I hope you can support us in this vital area of school life. We are aiming for over 97% this year. We can do this!

PE Kit



Please ensure that your child's PE kit consists of a



white T-shirt; black or dark coloured jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts; trainers; dark coloured hoodie/jumper or school jumper/cardigan.

After School Clubs Spring Term 1

All afterschool clubs will be provided in-house and will run every day from 3.15 to 4.15pm. There will be a universal cost of £5 per session. Clubs will be paid upfront for the whole half term. If you would like your child to attend any of the clubs below, please book on via School Money.

Monday Forest School club-Mr Pattinson

Tuesday Multisport club -Mr Pattinson

Wednesday Lego club -Mrs Pearson

Thursday Gymnastics club- Mr Pattinson

Thursday Key Stage 2 Football Club - Mr Stevenson (pick up from the field)

Friday Film club -Mr Pattinson

MENUS NEXT FORTNIGHT (MENU ALSO EMAILED TO EVERYONE)

WEEK THREE

15/01, 05/02, 04/03

Cowboy Pizza
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Rainbow Rice & Sweetcorn
Flapjack
Beef Pie
Cheese & Onion Lattice (V)
Mashed Potatoes & Broccoli
Ice Cream
Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato & Yorkshire Pudding
Vegetarian Cottage Pie (V)
Sliced Carrots & Green Beans
Jelly & Fruit
Cheesy BBQ Bacon Pasta
Macaroni Cheese (V)
Garlic Bread & Peas
Chocolate Crunch
Fish Cake
Cheese & Sweetcorn Omelette (V)
Chips & Baked Beans
Vanilla Sponge & Custard

WEEK ONE

22/01, 12/02, 11/03

MONDAY
MAINS
Beef Burger in a Bun
Vegetable Burger in a Bun (V)
SIDES
Herby Diced Potatoes & Side Salad
DESSERT
Fruity Mousse
TUESDAY
MAINS
Brunch Lunch- Sausage & Bacon
Vegetarian Brunch Lunch-
Vegetarian Sausage & Omelette (V)
SIDES
Hash Brown & Baked Beans
DESSERT
Ginger Cookie
WEDNESDAY
MAINS
Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes
Cauliflower Cheese Bake
with Roast Potatoes (V)
SIDES
Sliced Carrots & Broccoli
DESSERT
Apple Crumble Cake
THURSDAY
MAINS
Beef Bolognese with Noodles
Vegetarian Bolognese
with Noodles (V)
SIDES
Sweetcorn
DESSERT
Melting Moment Cookie
FRIDAY
MAINS
Fish Fillet
Vegetarian Sausage Roll (V)
SIDES
Chips & Mushy Peas
DESSERT
Pear & Chocolate Sponge with Custard

Allergen information: Menu descriptions may not list every individual ingredient. We of the presence of allergens requiring labelling, so please ask a member of the cater should you require any more details. Vegetarian options are indicated by the symbol