



EYFS Newsletter

20th October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a busy week at Hempstalls and have been working especially hard on our Maths, English and Geography.

A special shout out to Cubs who have gone on one of their first trips to Westport Lake this week - they were a credit to the school. On Wednesday we hosted Cross Country at Hempstalls - we were proud to be the host school and well done Team Hempstalls for competing.

Thank you to everyone who attended parents face to face/phone calls this week. We hope that you found it valuable. It was a pleasure to talk to you about how well your children have settled into their year groups.

There are as always some special Champion opportunities and events happening next week; spooky reading day, spooky lunch, spooky disco and not forgetting Harvest celebrations in church.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss A Bell
Headteacher

NURSERY AND RECEPTION OPEN MORNINGS/AFTERNOONS



If you are interested in a Nursery or Reception place at Hempstalls Primary School, (start date September 2024), we would like to invite you to one of our open mornings/afternoons on the following dates:

- Wednesday 15th November 9:15am
- Tuesday 21st November at 4pm

To book a space or for more information please phone the school office on 01782 950082

THIS WEEK

CUTTING THE CORN, COMBINE HARVESTER
CHUG, CHUG, CHUG, CHUG,
CHUGGING AWAY



Cubs - On swimming days (Tuesday AM) all children need to bring in swim kit which must include a costume/shorts, towel, swimming cap (long hair), swim nappy (if your child is not toilet trained). It is compulsory that your child swims every week. We have no spare swim nappies in school now so if you do not provide one then unfortunately your child can't swim.



CUBS

We are so very proud of how well behaved the group of children were who went on the trip to Westport Lake this week (the group that had to be postponed due to weather will be rescheduled to Thursday). They all used their listening ears and we managed to escape the mazes. We enjoyed splashing in the muddy puddles and some of us got to meet 2 lovely policemen, they even showed us the blue lights on the car. It was such a long walk around the big lake and it took over an hour but there was still plenty of energy to enjoy the park. Every child has earned themselves a caring cub for their super trip. We have collected lots of natural resources to fill our tuff trays, we can't wait to explore the different textures that have been found. Next week we have our harvest morning we hope to see you all there for a stay and play session and we hope the children bring their singing voices as we have been practicing 'big red combine harvester'.

NURSERY

This week we have continued learning about birthdays looking at when our birthdays are and how we celebrate them. We have also read the story 'The Perfect Fit' by Naomi and James Jones where we have learned about how being different is great and having friends that are different is super so we can have lots of fun playing together! We have loved baking and decorating party food on 'Tasty Tuesday' and had a blast in Cool Cats playing different travelling games. We have been practicing something special ready for our Harvest workshop with our friends and family and we cannot wait to show it to you! We have had another fun filled week in Nursery!



Reminders - please label all items that are being brought to school with your child's name.

RECEPTION

Another amazing week for Reception! We have been so busy exploring this week's text Elmer! We have been exploring colour and experimenting with mixing! We have been learning about primary colours. This week we have been reviewing the phonemes that we have already taught. Apologies

last week's homework sheet didn't come home it has gone out today. Please spend time working through this with your child, the extra support makes a HUGE difference to your child's learning. You will be invited to a phonic workshop soon, more info to follow. Please keep this safe and review them as much as you can!

Library books will be changed every Friday, this is a book for you to enjoy together with your child.



Please ensure you pre-book your child's Lunch on Arbor and snack if you wish your child to have a hot snack, free fruit is available, however we don't always know what type of fruit will be delivered. If your child brings in a snack from home, please can it be one healthy option. THANK YOU.



AWARDS

CHAMPION AWARD

RB - Hunter
RM - Sami

RECEPTION LUNCHTIME AWARD WINNERS

RB - Rosie
RM - Mia



SWIMMING

Please remove earrings. If your child has long hair, please send your child in with a swimming hat. Can you please make sure your child brings a towel. All swim kit to be labelled with your child's name.



Cubs
Tuesday morning, please bring in a swim nappy if your child requires one. Every child needs a towel and costume/shorts.

Nursery
No swimming this Thursday due to Harvest Workshops

Reception
Wednesday - Mrs B's Busy Bees swim.
Thursday - Mrs Mullock's Magic Stars swim.

PLEASE LEAVE TOYS AND TEDDIES AT HOME

A polite reminder that toys and teddies are to be kept at home as when they are brought into school some children are getting upset that they are getting lost, broken or used by other children.



PE

Reception
P.E is Friday. Please send your child into school in P.E kits and if your child wears earring's PLEASE REMOVE THEM.



EARRINGS

If your child wears earrings please make sure they only wear plain stud earrings in school and they should not be worn on PE and swimming days.



REMINDERS

The gate closes at 8:45am.

Please remember to close the school gate behind you.



NO DOGS ALLOWED
on the school grounds



Wellies & Waterproofs
Please can you send your child with a pair of wellies LABELLED to keep in school weekly in ALL weathers and we get very muddy!

ADMISSION INTO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2024

To be sure of receiving an offer on national offer day please apply online through our website from **1st November 2023** ([please click here](#))

The online system will ask for a UID number - please click 'No UID', this will allow you to continue with your application.

You will need to make your by **15 January 2024** and your child will receive an offer of a reception on national offer day 16 April 2024.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

CUBS

Miss McLane

NURSERY

Miss White & Mrs Thompson

RECEPTION

Mrs Mullock & Mrs Ball

October ^{is} **Walk** **INTO** school **MONTH**

Get involved
and get
active by
pledging
to walk to
school at
least once
a week
throughout
October.

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for your mental
and physical
health and
also helps the
environment!



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