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**20TH SEPTEMBER 2024**

Dear Families and Friends of Hempstalls,

We have had a fantastic week here at Hempstalls! The children are taking real pride in their learning, and it has been a pleasure to see them working hard in English and Maths, as well as thinking like true historians in their History lessons.

Please don't forget to log in to your Arbor account to read some important updates about reading this week. Reading continues to be a top priority for us at Hempstalls.

This week, we held our first Champion Assembly of the year, and it was wonderful to celebrate so many of our champions. We encourage you to continue supporting your child's personal development both in and out of school. If your child has earned any certificates or awards outside of school, please send them in so we can celebrate their achievements together.

Our newly elected school councillors have already held their first meeting, where they contributed ideas to help shape our new school menus, which will be launched later in the year.

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page for regular updates and news.

We love having parents/carers join us to see the fantastic learning happening in school. Below are some key dates for events leading up to Christmas. We may add more events, so please keep an eye on our newsletters for any updates.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Miss A Bell  
Headteacher



Welcome to Hempstalls - School Visits Come and visit our wonderful school Friday 27th September 9:30am + 2pm Wednesday 9th October 5pm Friday 18th October 9:30am + 2pm

## CUBS



This week in caterpillars, we would like to congratulate our new starters, they have settled in amazing. We have enjoyed getting to know them. Our theme is Me, myself, and I. Can we ask that we have family photos bought in, preferably in a small frame to put on our family board. Can we remind you that all your child's belongings are clearly labeled, jumpers, cardigans, and swim bags.

Polite reminder- we are getting a gate in the next week by the pegs, please can we ask that you put your child's belongings on their peg and not pass the peg area. There will be staff at the gate and door if you wish to pass any messages.

Please look out on Arbor for payments for activities, baking, ASM, and rhythm time if your child does these sessions.

On Wednesday 13th of November, we will all be celebrating world nursery rhyme week. One of our activities will be a visit from 'the Sensory storyteller.' The cost of this session is £3.50 for each child and will soon be on arbor for you to pay. Please keep your eye out.

## NURESRY

We have had such a busy week in nursery. Our Blossoming Butterflies have been mark-making using a variety of tools. We have found that Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle is a great way to start our nursery day; it is so lovely to see lots of smiling faces. This week, we shared the story of Elmer and explored it with different-coloured paint.

Our nursery library trolley is open! Please encourage your children to choose a book to borrow. We are working on book-handling skills so please remind your children to 'take care' with our school books.

Reminders - please check Family for reminders and updates about all the fun that we are having in nursery. Please check at home for a black pair of Adidas trainers, they have been missing since last week. Swimming next week - please see your letter that was sent home for your child's swimming sessions.

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## RECEPTION

What a fantastic week we have had! The children are really starting to get used to the school routine. Phonics is going well; the graphemes we have learned this week are /i/n/m/d. Please keep reviewing the homework sheets as much as possible. In our understanding of the world sessions, we have been talking about our families and sharing pictures of them. Thank you for sending your family pictures in.

Please can we remind you that a box of tissues and pack of wipes per term would be gratefully appreciated.

A folder has come home this week with your child. Please keep this safe and make sure it is in school daily. It contains a diary, homework sheet and a library book. Please remember to fill in your child's diary each time you share a story so they can get their red ted stamps. Thank you.

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Please download the app and set up an account to view your child's profile and your personalised news feed.

# Wellbeing corner

**Drop-in Health Sessions**  Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  
A Keele University Teaching Trust

**School Nurse Community Drop in for 5-19 years Every Tuesday, 13-00 - 16.00**



**ChatHealth**  
TEXT YOUR SCHOOL NURSE ON **07520 615721**  
FOR CONFIDENTIAL ADVICE & SUPPORT

For full terms and conditions visit: [www.staffordshireadviceandsupport.nhs.uk/termsand-conditions](http://www.staffordshireadviceandsupport.nhs.uk/termsand-conditions)

Families' Health and Wellbeing Service (0-19)  Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  
A Keele University Teaching Trust

HEALTHY EATING  
RELATIONSHIPS  
MENTAL HEALTH  
SELF HARM  
BULLYING  
SMOKING  
ALCOHOL  
DRUGS

**IT'S GOOD TO TALK...**

**BUT SOMETIMES IT'S EASIER TO TEXT...**

WE HELP STUDENTS AGED 11-19 WITH ALL KINDS OF ISSUES

**TEXT YOUR SCHOOL NURSE ON 07520 615721 FOR CONFIDENTIAL ADVICE & SUPPORT**

We do not notify your parents, teachers or anyone else if you contact the school nurse. We might advise someone if you want to discuss about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you as quickly as we can during the day and you should get an immediate reply on the day of your text. Your text will only be seen between 9am and 5pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, mental health in care or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS/picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only which does not include international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps. To prevent the health officer from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rate.



Families' Health and Wellbeing Service (0-19)  Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  
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**We now have a text messaging service for parents/carers of children aged 0-19 who live in Staffordshire. Get advice from our Public Health nurses (Health Visitors and School Nurses).**

**TEXT: 07520 615722**

-  Feeding and nutrition
-  Child development
-  Parenting advice and support
-  Emotional health and wellbeing
-  Behaviour difficulties
-  Family health

We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between 9am and 5pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, mental health in care or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS/picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only which does not include international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps. To prevent the health officer from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.



Child Protection Concerns 

**Are you concerned about a child?**

If you are concerned about a child:  
Make a factual record of your concern (include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature).  
You must share your concerns without delay

  
**Miss A Bell**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead Officer

  
**Mrs J Hemmings**  
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer

  
**Miss C McDonald**  
Safeguarding Lead

  
**Mrs R Mulloch**  
Safeguarding Lead

  
**Mrs E Kirbham**  
Safeguarding Lead

**Or Contact Staffordshire Children's Advice and Support Service 0800 111 8007**