



EYFS Newsletter

19th May 2023

CHAMPION MOMENTS



Travel on a Minibus



Sport

Football



Environment

Forest School

Dear Parents/Carers

This week the children in Cubs (the youngest members of Team Hempstalls) have been on the minibus to Butterflies Wonderland. They have had an amazing time. Thank you to everyone who has supported this.

Year 2 have worked incredible hard this week to complete their quizzes. They have done brilliantly! Well done to everyone who has supported them.

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 4 football team who had fixtures this week and have continued to represent the school in the community. Hempstalls has also hosted a Year 3 and 4 swimming gala for our Trust schools. Go Team Hempstalls!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs J Hemmings

THIS WEEK



This week we have been enjoying the dry weather spending lots of time in the forest school area, playing on the swing and kicking the footballs. The children have been listening for the different sounds which we can hear whilst outside, we even saw a helicopter, it was so loud! We are super impressed with all the children who went on the trips this week, we all had a fantastic time, the children had great fun getting crafty. They really enjoyed the bus ride to Butterflies wonderland too. We are going to have 'up, down and around' as our story again next week, this is a great book which shows you which vegetables grow up, the vegetables that grown down and the vegetables that twine around and around. Some of the children are getting good at remembering which way the vegetables grow. We have had the paint bags out this week, we have been focussing on the colours, green, red, yellow and blue. At the start of the week they used their fingers to make marks on the paint bags and as the week went on we added more and more materials to the bags such as pom poms, numbers and numicon.

Please bring your library books to school in order for your child to win prizes for reading.

W/C 22nd May:

We will be looking at the story 'up, down, around'.
Our rhyme of the week will be 5 little speckled frogs.

CUBS

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term Dates:

- School Closes For Half Term**
- Friday 26th May
- School Opens**
- Monday 5th June

Events:

- Nursery Cake Sale**
- Tuesday 23rd May - lunchtime
- 50p a cake



Cubs

- Butterflies Wonderland in Newcastle**
- Group 3 date:
- Wednesday 24th May

The session is from 10.00am - 11.30am. There is a voluntary contribution of £5 towards the cost of the activities.

Nursery

- Trips to Amerton Farm**
- Monday 26th June
- Wednesday 28th June

Please see Arbor for more information.

Reception:

- School Trip to the Brampton**
- Thursday 25th May

Please give permission on Arbor.

Now and Then

- Friday 26th May

Come to school in your modern clothes or clothes from past decade.

Old Toys and Household Objects

- Friday 26th May - 10:30am

Grandparents are invited to bring in old toys and household objects to discuss. Please see below:



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our topic this half term is 'Now and Then', we are exploring how familiar things to us, such as houses, toys, schools, jobs, transport and holidays were different in the past.

To help to bring this learning to life, on the morning of Friday 26th May 2023 at 10:30am, we would like to invite Grandparents or any elder relatives to bring into school any artifacts (toys, household objects, clothes etc.) stories or photographs to share with the children.

Please can you confirm on arbor if an elder relative would be able to attend.

Many thanks and kind regards,
The Reception Team

NURSERY

What a busy week in Nursery! We have shared the story Let's Go To The Farm whilst using our careful listening skills to identify the rhyming words. We have been getting crafty with our large-scale farm art using a range of mark making and collage. In Maths this week our focus has been 3D shapes. We have been learning the names and properties of each shape and even used shapes to build London Bridge (that didn't fall down!)

We had so much fun visiting our school library this week, we shared stories with our friends and became excited when we found out that Peppa Pig visits the library too with her family. Please continue with your wonderful shared reading at home and send in any pictures of your child visiting your local library. Jigsaw Genie has been busy this half term, showing us all how to keep healthy. We have covered sessions on keeping active, eating healthy, sleep and keeping clean. Alongside our Squiggle Whilst You Wiggle programme, we have been exercising our fingers at the dough disco! Daily sessions help to strengthen our muscles ready for writing.

CAKE DONATIONS



NEXT WEEK WE ARE HOLDING A CAKE SALE FOR THE REST OF THE SCHOOL TO RAISE NURSERY FUNDS. ON MONDAY 22ND MAY WE WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR ANY CAKE DONATIONS (FRESHLY BAKED OR SHOP BOUGHT)

RECEPTION

AWARDS

GOLDEN BOOK AWARD

Last Week
RB - Jasper & RT - Avah-Beux

This Week
RB - Vincent & RT - Bastian

RECEPTION LUNCHTIME AWARD WINNERS

Last Week
RB - Jenson & RT - Brylei-Rae

This Week
RB - Mario & RT - Harper

SWIMMING

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



HOMWORK:



Reception

Home work this week is a toy sorting activity, please can you help your child with this. Please bring in homework on Monday.

Cubs

Swimming will be group 2, please bring in a swim nappy if your child requires one. Every child needs a towel and costume/shorts.

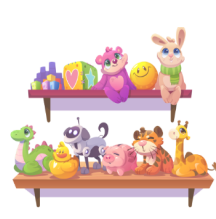
Nursery

Swimming - red and green team.

Reception

Busy Bees on a Monday.
Timmis Titans on a Thursday.

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.

GARDENING

Wanted for Reception: Can we please ask for donations of plant pots and seeds.

Any donations will be gratefully received.



REMINDERS



The gate closes at 8:45am

Please remember to close the school gate behind you.

Sun hats & Sun cream

All children need a sun hat sending into school. Please give consent on Arbor for your child to have Aldi Lacura Mamina extra sensitive 50+ Sun cream applied by their class teacher. Please could we ask for £1 voluntary contribution towards the cost of purchasing the sun cream. The £1 can be given to your child's class teacher. If you prefer you can provide your own bottle of sun cream clearly labelled with your child's name.

Wellies & Waterproofs

Please can you send your child to school with a pair of wellies and a waterproof all-in-one or trousers and top LABELLED to keep in school.



DEXTER THE DUMMY DINOSAUR!

There's exciting news at Hempstalls! Dexter the Dummy Dinosaur is now fully hatched and ready to receive any unwanted dummies. It is a great time to start thinking about giving up our dummies and bottles. Before we know it, it will be time to move into Reception. If you have any questions about Dexter, please don't hesitate to ask one of the Nursery team.



TIPS & ADVICE
Stoke Speaks Out
www.stokespeaks.org/
parents-tips-and-advice

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

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Sorry no crèche
available

Parenting Programme

‘From Pram to Primary School’

(Family Caring Trust)

Struggling with your child’s behaviour; mealtimes and bedtimes becoming a challenge?

If your child is aged between 0—10 years, then this programme could be for you.

Learn new skills on how to manage challenging behaviour, supporting a child’s uniqueness and identifying how choices and consequences can support positive behaviour.

(Bring with you NI number or another form of ID please)

**FREE Adult and Community Learning funded
10 week course : Newcastle District**

**Online Virtual delivery by
Microsoft Teams**

**10am—11:30am & 1pm– 2:30pm
24th April 2023— 3rd July 2023**

If you are interested in enrolling onto the course please
email: groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk

