# HEMBLINGTON NEWS

Week beginning Tuesday 7th May 2024

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#### Greetings

Last week the children thoroughly enjoyed lots of different learning opportunities. Cygnets are loving the book Handa's Surprise and Swans have been learning how to Monoprint. Robins have been writing excellent short stories and learning to sing in a round! Kingfishers have made fantastic Egyptian Masks. Swallows have been learning how to do Collograph printing. Kestrels have been learning about lifecycles and how they vary from mammals to insects and Eagles are working hard in preparation for their SATS tests.

The Year 3 and 4 girls Football team played superbly at the NCFC Nest, winning 2 out of 3 games and finishing runners up in their group.

It was fabulous to see all children on the Bikeability Course learning how to ride safely! We still have some spaces at Breakfast Club and After School Club. If you would like to book please email office-hp@yare-edu.org.uk.

From Tuesday 7th May, when collecting a pupil from any after school club please wait by the gate next to the Bike Shed area.

# Friends of Hemblington Summer BBQ - SAVE THE DATE!!

Due to a clash with some important local events we have made the decision to host the Summer BBQ on Friday 19th July. This is the last day of term so it means we can all have a proper party and send the Year 6's off with a bang! The singer is booked again and this year there will also be something even bigger and bouncier!!!

# Be Respectful

Pupils have been thinking about how we show respect to ourselves, each other and all adults.

# Be Responsible

Some of the older pupils in school have been running lunchtime clubs for the younger pupils!

# Be Resilient

Pupils showed resilience as they filed out of the building quickly during the fire practise last Monday.

# Be Ready

The Year 3/4 girls demonstrated their readiness at the football by winning 2 of their 3 matches.



Be The Best You Can
Be repsonsible, Be respectful, Be resilient and Be ready

# School Lunch Menu Change - Wednesday 8th May 2024

Due to there being no deliveries on bank holiday Monday, the roast menu will be pork sausages on Wednesday 8th May 2024.

#### Attendance

We would like to make parents/carers aware that on 29th February 2024, the Government announced a new National Attendance Framework advising schools and Local Authorities regarding children missing from school. We would like to notify parents of key parts of this framework, which comes into place in August 2024. The framework requires schools to consider referring a family to the Local Authority if a child misses 10 or more sessions (or 5 days) of school for unauthorised reasons, including unauthorised holidays. From August 2024, the fine will be £80 if paid within 21 days, rising to £160 if paid within 28 days. If a parent receives a second fine for the same child within three years, the fine will be charged at the higher rate (£160). Any further unauthorised absences within 3 years of the initial fine could result in prosecution, which could lead to a criminal record and a fine of up to £2500. The final decision on whether to prosecute remains with the local authority.

# Results from Parents Survey

Thank you to the 20% of parents and carers who completed the parent survey before Easter. We were delighted to read that 100% believed their child was well taught, made good progress, accessed a range of subjects, knew who to contact if they had a problem and would recommend the school to others.

We were also pleased to read that 95% of parents felt their children were happy and safe in school and 100% said when they raised a concern it was dealt with properly.

It was also a pleasure to read the comments about what parents and carers liked about the school which included:

- The open door communication
- Small and child led, all the teachers know every child's name
- Good extra curricular activities.
- The improvement in sports development has been very much a positive for the children that struggle with the academic and learning gives them a confidence boost
- Close knit community
- Good curriculum which stimulates learning
- The teachers are incredible
- After School Club care

'Areas parents would like to see developed further:

- Stay and read to be on various days for working parents
- The school caterers the quality of food offerings are poor and limited. It would be good
  if the caterers were able to review from previous bookings what options prove to be
  popular and which ones aren't.
- Communication around certain things, e.g. nativity

# Fantastic Learning







Pupils from Years 3, 4 and 5 enjoyed taking part in Sportshall Athletics at the UEA Sportspark.





Swallow Class enjoyed their educational visit to the Theatre Royal to watch 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'.





As part of their learning about 'Living Things and Habitats' in Science, Year 4 enjoyed the beginning of their grass/pond habitat study in the Environmental Garden.



Cygnets are reading Handa's Surprise. They enjoyed making and eating a fruit salad made with fruits from the story.



In Art, Swans made monoprints. They used a roller to apply paint to an acetate and then drew a design on with their fingers. They made the print by laying paper on the paint design.

Robins enjoyed a practical lesson for maths. They created their own shop in small groups and pretended to be the customer or shopkeeper.



As the shopkeeper, they had to calculate the correct change that each customer needed.



In Kestrels, we have been really focusing on working as a team. During golden time, a team of children worked together to set up a craft table. There was lots of sharing, compassion and kindness!



Eagle Class have written persuasive speeches in English based on our book Floodland. We delivered our impressive speeches aloud to the class.



# REMINDERS

### School Tuck Shop

For children in Year 3,4,5 and 6 the Tuck Shop will be available daily, selling apples, bananas or raisins for 50p each. Year 6 pupils will be running this outside next to the equipment shed.

#### School Lunches

The menu for after half term is now on the school website. Orders must be placed (or cancelled) via Arbor Parent Portal by 8 am on the day

#### School Uniform

Pupils are expected to wear a royal blue sweatshirt with the school logo, white polo shirt, black or grey trousers, shorts or skirt with grey or white tights or socks and plain black, flat shoes with a good sole grip. Blue and white gingham dresses are also permitted. Your child's teacher will confirm when the class are learning PE and on these days children are expected to attend in their house colour t-shirt, black shorts, dark colour trainers, black, grey or white socks and the navy school logo sweatshirt or black, navy or grey tracksuit. Please note all clothing must be plain or showing the school logo. For health and safety reasons, hair longer than shoulder length should be tied back at all times in school.

#### School Day

The site opens at 8.30 am and the doors at 8.35 am. The gates close at 8.45 am as this is registration. Any child arriving after 8.45 am will need to enter by the main office. In the afternoon the gates open at 3.05 pm ready for Reception to be collected at 3.10 pm and Year 1-6 at 3.15 pm.

# White Rose App

Within school, we use White Rose Maths and they have released a free app called '1-Minute Maths' to help children to practise at home. The app is aimed at children in Reception and Key Stage 1 so if you have children in those year groups please download the app and encourage your child to have a go!

# **Parking**

Parents and carers are reminded to be considerate of local residents at the start and end of the school day. Please use Heathlands or the Tamarind for parking before and after school.

#### Clubs

Clubs will be on offer after half term: Monday - gardening or art and Tuesday, Thursday and Friday Premier Sports. For gardening and art, please sign your child up using the Arbor Parent Portal. Please click this link for a list of Athletics Clubs in Norfolk.

#### Guide for parents worried about Neurodiversity Differences/Additional Needs

This NHS <u>guide</u> (on the SEND page of the school website) signposts families to resources and services to support you on your journey as well as useful information about training, EHCPs and help with sleep and mental health difficulties. Please reach out to these services for help.

#### <u>Hedgehogs - Breakfast and After School Club</u>

Breakfast club sessions run from 7:30am to 8:35 am and cost £6. A choice of cereals and toast are available. After school sessions run from 3:20pm to 6:00pm and cost £12. All children are provided with a school snack pack. Sessions currently take place in the Owlery. To book a session please email: office-hp@yare-edu.org.uk

### School Governance - Can you help?

The Governing Body of Hemblington and Dussindale Primary Schools currently have vacancies for parent representation from each site. As volunteers, school governors carry out a valuable role in supporting and constructively challenging our schools in the best interests of pupils. If you would be interested in this role and want to know more - please email head-ds@yare-edu.org.uk

#### Lost Property

Please name all items of clothing so it can be returned to pupils. Unnamed items will be kept in the box by the corridor down to the hall.

## Dyslexia Awareness Parent/Carer Workshops

Tues 18 Jun 2024 9.30 – 11.45AM	Reading/Spelling Strategies (primary age) — The workshop will look at the types of challenges a dyslexic young person might face when doing reading and spelling, and explore a wide range of practical support tools, resources and apps that you can use at home to support your child.	£10 per person
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#### To book your place please click here

Please contact Laura Bates for further information or to book a place at: dosadmin@taverhamhigh.org or telephone 01603 860505 ex 239

# Friends of Hemblington

<u>Dress Down Day</u>

The next dress down day is Friday 24th May, 'Dare to be Different' and parents and carers are asked to make a bottle or wrapped sweet donation for the tombolas at the Summer BBQ.

# Raising Money for the MS Society

Mrs Swift is taking part in the MS Society's 'May 50K' by running 5 consecutive 10ks Monday 20th May to Friday 24th May.

Mrs Swift will be running her final Km around our running track!

All the pupils will be on the field to cheer her on and celebrate this fantastic achievement! The Friday is a dress down day and we would love the children to wear orange or red if possible and donate £1 to the MS Society.

If you would like to add any further donations please use the link below...

https://www.themay50k.co.uk/fundraisers/julieswift/the-may-50k

# DIARY DATES

Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May - Key Stage 2 SATs week

Monday 13th May - Friends meeting 8 pm tbc

Monday 20th May - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children

Monday 20th May - Wednesday 22nd May - Year 4/5 residential to How Hill

Monday 20th May - Year 3/4 tennis competition (limited number of pupils to attend)

Friday 24th May - Wear red and/or orange and run around the track, donating £1 to the MS society

Friday 24th May - Dress down day - 'Dare to be Different' donating a bottle or wrapped sweets donation for the summer BBQ

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - Half term

Tuesday 4th June - Year 5/6 Cricket event (limited number of pupils attend)

Thursday 6th June - Year 5/6 Girls Cricket event (limited number of pupils attend)

Friday 7th June - Eagles Class provide cakes for Friends Cake Sale

Friday 7th June - School Disco

Week beginning 10th June - Year 1 phonics screening

Monday 10th June - Friends meeting 8 pm tbc

Wednesday 12th June - 2024/25 Year R Parents information evening

Monday 17th June - First Aid with East Anglia Air Ambulance

Monday 24th June - Wednesday 26th June - Year 6 residential to Hautbois

Monday 24th June - Year 3/4 girls NCFC Football event (limited number of pupils to attend)

Monday 26th June - Dance workshops

Tuesday 2nd July - Kingfishers to Congo Rapids

Friday 5th July - Swans educational visit

Friday 5th July - Year 5 Sports afternoon event at Thorpe St. Andrew High School

Monday 8th July - Robins to Time and Tide Museum

Monday 8th July - Friends meeting 8 pm tbc

Wednesday 9th July - Transition Day

Thursday 11th and Friday 12th July - Year 6 transition day to Thorpe St. Andrew High School

Friday 12th July - Friends 'Dress down day - summer theme

Monday 15th July - Bikeability Years 5 and 6

Tuesday 16th July - Music concert 9 am

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Wednesday 17th July - Bikeability Years 5 and 6

Thursday 18th July - Bikeability Years 5 and 6

Friday 19th July - 2 pm Year 6 Leavers Assembly

Friday 19th July - Friends Summer BBQ

Monday 22nd July - Tuesday 3rd September 2024 -

Summer Holiday, school closed

