HEMBLINGTON NEWS

Week beginning: Monday 9th December 2024

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Seasons Greetings

As we move through December, there is an increasingly festive feel throughout the school. Last week, members of our Choir proudly sang at the Cathedral contributing to Thorpe's Community Carol Service, Year 6 went to Crucial Crew, the whole school enjoyed 'Santa Dash' and the Friends hosted their annual 'Christmas Cracker' event.

This week's assembly will continue with a Friendship theme. We will be sharing the story of Penguin Huddle; exploring being able to work with others.

Also this week we are in full swing of rehearsals for our Christmas performances! We are looking forward to sharing those with you during the last week of term.

Best Class attendance last week: Falcons

Last week's attendance: 88.34%

Be Respectful

The choir ***respectfully*** took part in the Carol Service in the Cathedral.

Be Ready

Pupils came to school in festive clothing ready for Santa Dash.

Be Resilient

All pupils showed ***resilience as*** *they excitedly took part in Santa Dash.*

Be Responsible

Year 6 behaved ***responsibly*** at Crucial Crew.

School Council - Christmas Craft Competition



The School Council would like to have a Christmas Craft Competition.

Please create a Christmas decoration or display using a cardboard tube or tubes!

There will be a prize for the most creative entry, donated by Lazy Lobster.

Please bring named entries to the class teacher by Friday 13th December for judging the following week.

Parent Forum

The next parent forum is 9 am on Tuesday 17th December.

To be the best you can... on a voyage of discovery

Be responsible, Be respectful, Be resilient and Be ready

NCFC Girls United Taster Session

Is your budding Canary looking to take up football in the new year? Or maybe they're already a talented player looking to refine their skills and keep active? Come along to our FREE Girls United taster session on December 12th!



The Nest
4pm - 5pm
December 12th
Ages 4-12

Booking link for Girls Free Taster Session









School Christmas Lunch



The next Aspens Special Lunch is Christmas Dinner on Thursday 19th December. **Please note, there are no other meal choices available on the 19th December so any meals ordered will be Chicken or Cheesy Cauliflower and Leek Puff Pastry.** If a meal has not been booked on Arbor parents will be asked to bring a packed lunch into school.

Please also be aware there is a menu change to beef/veggie burgers on Wednesday 18th December (currently showing as roast).

FANTASTIC LEARNING

Year 6 enjoyed their visit to Crucial Crew where they learned about essential life skills such as fire safety and keeping safe at the beach.









Kingfisher class did a fantastic job working on their final DT pieces. After designing a Christmas themed bookmark the children then transferred this onto binca using cross-stitch. The end results were impressive.



During RE Robins learnt about the Hindu festival of Diwali and started to make our own clay lamps.









Cygnets had fun in PE moving like superheroes flying, crawling, spinning and freezing when the freeze spell was made. They flew around the parachute when our colours were called.

SANTA DASH 2024!























REMINDERS

Music Lessons

The following music tuition is available for pupils: Guitars - Years 4 to 6, and Woodwind Year 2 - 6. Costs are set by the provider and vary according to the instrument and group size. For guitar please email Miss Brown on musicejb@outlook.com, for woodwind please email Mrs Moore on woodwindteacher1@gmail.com

Clubs

NCFC Multi-skills: Thursday 3.15 - 4.15 pm - Year R - 6; Booking via the link: Multi skills
Art: Monday 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm - Year R - 6; Contact Di to book a place
Chess Club; Wednesday - 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm Years 2 - 6; Year 1 Classroom; Book via Arbor
Hedgehogs After School Club; Monday - Friday 3.15 pm - 4.15 pm £5 a session (this will exclude any food provision) or Monday - Friday 3.15 - 6 pm £12 a session (with food). Email the school office to book a place and pay via Arbor. Invoices and payments via Arbor.

School Uniform

Royal blue sweatshirt with the school logo, white polo shirt, black or grey trousers, shorts or skirt with navy or white tights or socks and plain black, flat shoes with a good sole grip. Blue and white gingham dresses are also permitted. PE kit is house colour t-shirt, black or navy shorts, dark colour trainers and the navy school logo sweatshirt or black, navy or grey tracksuit. Please note all clothing must be plain or showing the school logo. In addition, due to the drop in temperature a named warm coat, hat, gloves and scarf and change of footwear are also required.

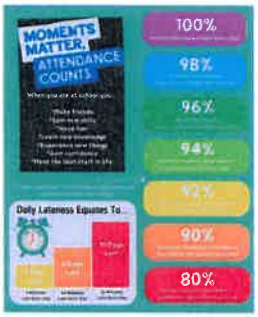


School Lunches

Please ensure school lunches are booked through Arbor by 8 am so your child receives their choice of meal. If a meal has not been booked on Arbor, parents will be asked to bring a packed lunch into school.

Don't forget Christmas Lunch on the 19th December.

Attendance



As you will be aware Pupil Attendance is a significant focus for the DFE, Loca Authority and School. For further information regarding the importance of school attendance please click this link: Attendance

Parenting Course

Would you like to be a calmer, more confident parent? Sign up for the Understanding Your Child: The Solihull Approach course to discover how your child's mind develops and what you can do to avoid tantrums and behaviour challenges. It's free for families in Norfolk. Simply work through the short online course in your own time by signing up at www.justonenorfolk.nhs.uk/online-learning (Access code JON70).

Family Support and Safeguarding at Hemblington Primary

As a school we are dedicated to supporting our families. We recognise life can be tough and so we are here to support you, to enable the best outcomes for our pupils.
There is always a member of staff on the gate each morning and after-school who you are welcome to talk to. Also, you can email Miss Brugger or the school office, or contact your child's class teacher via Dojo.
We have a HPS Padlet which contains links to a huge variety of support suggestions.
Please do come and speak to us if you have any worries or concerns.

Just One Norfolk



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.

NIDAS - Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service

NIDAS stands for Norfolk Integrated Domestic Abuse Service. It is dedicated support for people experiencing domestic abuse in Norfolk for those assessed to be at high or medium risk of harm. NIDAS also offers dedicated support for Children and Young People.
For free confidential advice: 0300 561 0555

Shoe Box Appeal

We are continuing to work together with Hemblington Church to make Christmas shoeboxes for a local charity in Great Yarmouth. Please help the staff to put together shoeboxes by sending an item into school that would be suitable for a child the same age as your child. Items need to be new but do not need to be wrapped. Items can include toys, books, toiletries, hats, gloves, socks, stationery and sweets.
If you have any shoeboxes available, please send those in too. If you can wrap the shoebox, so it can be opened and filled with presents that would be a massive help.
All items to be in school by 10th December.



DIARY DATES

Monday 16th December and Wednesday 18th December - 2 pm - Osprey and Falcon Classes Christmas Celebration
Tuesday 17th December - 9 am Parent Forum
Tuesday 17th December 2 pm - Swan, Kingfisher and Robin Nativity
Wednesday 18th December 9.30 am - Swan, Kingfisher and Robin Nativity
Wednesday 18th December - menu change to burgers
Wednesday 18th December 2.30 pm - Cygnets performance
Thursday 19th December - Christmas Dinner
Friday 20th December - Christmas Dress Down Day - £1 donation to Friends of Hemblington
Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January - Christmas Holidays, school closed
Monday 6th January - INSET day
Wednesday 5th February - Choir to Young Voices
Tuesday 14th January - Andrew Weeks film music workshop
Thursday 16th January - Aspens Special Lunch - Lunar New Year
Monday 27th January - Year 4 - 6 Football festival with NCFC (limited places)
Thursday 13th February - Kingfishers educational visit to Time and Tide Museum
Friday 14th February - Valentine Dress Down Day - £1 donation to Friends of Hemblington
Monday 17th - Friday 21st February - Half term
Monday 24th February - Pupils return
Monday 3rd - Friday 7th March - Year 5 Level 2 bikeability
Thursday 6th March - World Book Day
Thursday 6th March - Aspens Special lunch menu
Tuesday 11th March - Year 5 Science Bus visit from TSAHS
Thursday 13th March - Reception hearing and vision - 9 - 10.30 am
Monday 17th March - Class photos by Vancols
Thursday 20th March - Sportshall Athletics - (limited number of Year 3/4 am and Year 5/6 pm)
Thursday 27th March - Swans and Cygnet Classes to Gressenhall
Friday 28th March - Year 4 MFL Fiesta at TSAHS am
Friday 28th MArch - Preschool Easter Fayre
Monday 31st March - Year 4/5 NCFC football festival (limited number of places) tbc
Friday 4th April - Last day of term
Friday 4th April - Easter Dress Down Day - £1 donation to Friends of Hemblington
Monday 7th - Monday 21st April 2025- School closed for Easter break
Tuesday 22nd April - Summer term begins
Monday 5th May - Bank Holiday - School Closed
Week beginning 12th - Thursday 15th May - Key Stage 2 SATs week
Monday 23rd - Wednesday 25th June - Osprey and Falcons' residential to Hautbois
Monday 2nd - Friday 13th June 2024 - Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
Monday 9th - Friday 13th June 2024 - Year 1 Phonics Screening
Tuesday 17th June - Sports Day and picnic