

HEMBLINGTON NEWS

Week beginning Monday 16th October 2023

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Greetings

As we enter the last week of this half term we would like to thank parents and carers for their continued support since returning in September. This week continues to be a busy one with parent teacher consultation evenings Tuesday and Thursday, Year 3 and 5 to gymnastics at Norwich Gymnastics Club, and parents 'Come and Read sessions' Monday and Tuesday 08.45 - 9.15 am. Our assemblies continue with a responsibility theme. Finally, we would like to wish all of the Hemblington Community a happy and safe half term, and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 30th October.

Measles

Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. The DFE have asked education settings to share key messages from the NHS about MMR / measles and how to get vaccinated.

The [Back to school MMR Guidance](#) from the NHS includes information to share, as well as example social media posts which can be found here: [NHS Vaccine Poster](#) and [NHS MMR Poster](#).

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in a classroom can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.

Coats and Wellies

Last week saw the return of colder and wetter autumnal weather. On days like this, can we please remind parents to send children with coats and wellies as the children go outside in all weather.

Aspens Catering

As you will be aware Aspens has been awarded the catering contract for the majority of the Broad Horizons Education Trust schools, including Hemblington, from the 30th October 2023. The cost of meals will be £2.50 and must be ordered via Parent Portal. Full menus for the term ahead will be on the website and Parent Portal shortly. Please note week beginning 30th October is 'week 3'.



Be The Best You Can

Be responsible, Be respectful, Be resilient and Be ready

FANTASTIC LEARNING

Swan Class explored the sense of taste by trying sweet, salty, bitter and sour flavours. They surprised Mrs Goodson by voting the sour lemon as their favourite.



Swallow Class have been working on their own interpretations of Starry Night by Vincent van Gogh. They have used oil pastels to create movement in the night sky.



REMINDERS

School Lunches

Please order (or cancel) your child's school lunch, via Parent Portal by 8 am on the day.

Week beginning 16th October 2023 (Week 1)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Margherita Pizza	Chicken Pasta Bake	Roast Turkey with Yorkshire Pudding, roast potatoes and gravy	Hot Dog	Battered fish and chips
Mixed Pepper Pizza	Quorn Pasta Bake	Quorn roast	Veggie Hot Dog	Quorn Fajita
Wedges	Garlic bread	Peas	Herb diced potato	Peas
Beans	Mixed Vegetables	Carrots	Sweetcord	Beans or Peas
A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts	A selection of desserts

Also available each day:

Jacket potatoes available each day: cheese, beans or tuna mayo served with fresh salad and homemade bread
½ baguette available each day either filled with cheese, ham or tuna mayo

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 and the navy school logo sweatshirt or black, navy or grey tracksuit. Please note all clothing must be plain or showing the school logo.

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.

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.

Lost Property

Please name all items of clothing so it can be returned to pupils. Unnamed items will be kept in the office for a fortnight for collection.

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!

DIARY DATES

Monday 16th October - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children followed by a cuppa and uniform sale by 'Friends of Hemblington'

Monday 16th October - Friends of Hemblington AGM & Wine & Cheese Evening - 7.30-8.30pm

Tuesday 17th October - 8.45 - 9.15 am - Read in school with your child

Tuesday 17th and Thursday 19th October - Parent Teacher Consultation Evening

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October - Half term

Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October - Halloween Trail throughout Blofield Heath & Hemblington - trail maps will be sold the week before half term.

Tuesday 31st October - Friends 'non uniform' Halloween dress day

Friday 10th November - Remembrance Assembly

Friday 10th November - Neon Disco - YR - Y3 4.45-6pm, Y4 - Y6 6.15-7.30pm.

Monday 13th - Friday 15th November - Anti-bullying week

Thursday 16th November - Thursday 23rd November - Book Fair

Friday 17th November - Children in Need

Week beginning 20th November - Family Learning

Monday 20th November - Year 6 Height and weight checks

Wednesday 29th November - Parents Forum - 8.45 am in the Owlery

Tuesday 5th December - Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 12th December - 7.30 pm Choir sing at Cathedral

Thursday 14th December - 10 am Year 1/2/3 Christmas Production

Friday 15th December - 11 am Reception performance in classroom

Friday 15th December - 10 am Year 1/2/3 Christmas Production

Monday 18th December - 8.50 - 9.20 am Parents reading in class with children

Monday 18th December - 10 am Year 4/5/6 Christmas Celebration

Tuesday 19th December - 10 am Year 4/5/6 Christmas Celebration

Tuesday 19th December - Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th December - Last Day of Term

Thursday 21st December to Tuesday 2nd January - Christmas holiday

