

Hemington News 13th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

The children have settled very well back into school after their Christmas break and have been telling us all about the wonderful time that they have had over the holidays.

We have been focusing on Dreams and Goals in our PSHE lessons, which ties in very well with making New Year resolutions. I was very impressed to hear about children's ambitions and we have talked about how we would achieve our ambitions.

This half term, each class will be learning about different areas of the world in our *Come Fly with Me* theme. Class 1 are focusing on Asia, Class 2 on Africa and Class 3 on America. We are having some whole school events to celebrate these themes—our Chinese New Year celebration will be on Thursday 19th January. Children will spend the afternoon sampling Chinese food, making Chinese crafts, looking at Chinese script and taking part in traditional Chinese martial arts (Tai chi).

On Tuesday 24th January, we will be having a nonuniform day to raise money for the school. If your child has PE that day, please ensure that they are wearing suitable clothing and footwear. We will also be having a cake sale after school on Wednesday 1st February. Reminders will be sent out nearer the time.

Our wonderful choir will be performing at the Young Voices concert on 25th January. Rehearsals are continuing most days in school and the children are getting very excited about their trip to Birmingham.

Cross Country training will start again (weather dependent) on Wednesday 18th January. Our first competition of 2023 will be on Tuesday 7th February. This will be during school time so children will be going to Loughborugh by bus.

Many thanks for your continued support. I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Eimear Davis—Headteacher

Musician of the Moment

In assembly, we talk about musicians who have made a big impact on the culture of music throughout time. So far this school year, we have looked at Aretha Franklin and Nina Simone. We are now focussing on The Beatles.







Healthy Eating at School

REMINDER



Children will be asked to **ONLY** take fruit or a healthy snack for their breaktime. Packed lunches should contain healthier options with only one treat for pudding.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL LUNCHES/SNACKS ARE NUT FREE.

We also ask parents to send water in their child's drink bottle.

We will be attempting to gain our <u>Healthy Schools Award</u> this year. We need our whole school community to be involved in helping us achieve this.

Hemington PTFA

Upcoming Events

A Slot Car Racing afternoon will be held on Saturday 4th February—3pm till 7pm at Lockington Village Hall. Please save the date and join us for this family event. There will be a bar running and sweets and drinks available for the little ones.

Races will cost £1



HEMINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS

You may have heard your children speak about our school expectations or noticed that they have received a certificate for RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY or READINESS. We are very proud of all the children at Hemington for trying their best and ensuring that they are at all times;

Respectful of themselves and others

Responsible for their learning and behaviour

<u>Ready</u> to engage in learning and to do their best.



Accelerated Reader



DESSERTS

Please ensure that your child reads daily.

When they finish their book, they complete an online quiz using their Accelerated Reader account.

TERM DATES 2022-2023

Spring Term

Chinese New Year: Thursday 19 January (school celebration)

Class 1 trip to the Botanical Gardens: Mon 23 Jan Non-uniform Day: Tuesday 24 January

Young Voices Concert: Wednesday 25 January
Cake Sale: Wednesday 1 Feb (after school)
Children's Mental Health Awareness Week: From

Monday 6 February

KS2 Cross Country Competition: Tuesday 7 February
Come Fly with Me Themed Day (Dancing): Tues 14
February

Half term break: Mon 20 to Fri 24 February 2023

Schools close: Friday 31 March 2023

Summer Term

Schools open: Monday 17th April 2023
May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2023
Extra May Bank Holiday: Mon 8th May 2023
Half term break: Mon 29 May to Fri 2 June 2023
Schools close for pupils: Wednesday 12 July 2023

Staff INSET days

Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 August2022; Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Tuesday 3 January 2023 (school closed to pupils)
Thursday 13 July 2023

PF Kit

Please ensure that your child's PE kit consists of a white T-shirt; black or dark coloured jogging bottoms/ leggings/shorts; trainers; dark coloured hoodie/jumper or school jumper/cardigan.

After School Clubs Spring Term 1

<u>Monday</u> - Little Cooks Club (until 4.30 - all year groups welcome. Bookings now open. Limited spaces available.)

<u>Tuesday</u> - Create and Make Club (until 4.30 - all year groups welcome. Bookings now open. Limited spaces available.)

<u>Wednesday</u> - Lego Club (until 4.15 - open to all year groups)

<u>Thursday</u> - Multi-Sports (until 4.15 - open to all year groups)

School Dinner Menu

From Monday 16th January, we will be choosing from the Week 1 menu.

