

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Pre-school

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Message from the Head...

Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope you have all had a positive week! It has felt a little quiet in school without our Year 6 children, who spent most of the week on their PGL adventure at Caythorpe Court. We will welcome them back this afternoon and look forward to hearing about their adventures. My sincere gratitude goes to Mrs McKay, Mrs Flinders and Mrs O'Hare, who have been away with the children this week.

Next week, many of our Year 5 children will be taking part in their Bikeability training. Please refer back to the parent/carer letter sent out earlier this week. On Monday, bikes should come into school through The Fen gate, please.

You should all (Year 1-6) have seen homework come home this week. We will continue to promote the children's use of Times Tables Rock Stars in school and at home. The most appropriate game for them to play at home is the **Garage game**. This game uses an algorithm to provide children with questions that help them build knowledge at the right speed. All games are great to play but **Garage** should prevent children becoming disheartened, as it selects questions carefully.

I am pleased to confirm that our rugby club for Year 5 and 6, in conjunction with Cambridge Rugby Club, will start on Monday 18th September. There is still an opportunity to sign-up using this link: <https://cambridgerugby.co.uk/csdf-tickets/> The children will have access to some great coaching from a pro rugby player!

For parents of children in Year 6, you will have seen a letter earlier this week regarding the process of transferring to secondary school. We do not have a role to play in this transfer; you should follow the guidance in the information provided. We are aware that Swavesey Village College have an open evening for Year 6 pupils on Thursday 28th September.

Finally, just a couple of things to point you in the direction of on our website. On our homepage, you will find a link to [Key dates for this academic year](#). We will keep this updated with information throughout the year. We have also added this half term's curriculum newsletters to our [curriculum pages](#) for you to view at your leisure!

With best wishes for the weekend, Richard Martin.

Diary Dates...

w/c 18th September – Bikeability

Monday, 18th September – Afterschool Rugby Club
Y5&6 sign up required.

Monday, 25th September - PTA Cake & Uniform Sale

Friday, 29th September – Mike Mullen BMX Visit Day 1

Wednesday, 20th September – Visiting Author. See separate letter regarding an Author Book Sale after school.

Monday, 2nd October - Musical Theatre Workshop with Joseph Claus - Day1

Tuesday, 3rd October - Musical Theatre Workshop with Joseph Claus - Day2

Monday, 9th October - Individual and sibling school photographs

Reminders & Other Info...

Friday, 20th October - PTA School Disco (timings tbc)

23rd – 27th October – Half Term

Monday, 30th October - Teacher Training Day

School Gateway app

Please ensure you have downloaded and registered for the new School online payment system. Search school gateway app. This allows you to pay for school dinners, school trips and other activities including the PTA events.

No cash payments can be taken in school.