

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Pre-school

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Message from the Head...

Dear parent / carer,

Welcome back to the new school term! I hope you all enjoyed a peaceful and happy Christmas and New Year holiday season. It has been great to see the children return to school so positively over the past few days and renew their relationships with peers and adults. So much of our future success will be built on the ongoing positive relationships throughout our community and we continue to work hard in school to ensure your children know they are valued, supported and trusted by staff members. Our prefects in Year 6 seem to be thriving in this environment and are a real example of what we are seeking to achieve for all of our pupils.

This week we have welcomed Mr Taylor as a permanent member of our staff team as he continues the excellent work started alongside Mrs Byrne last term as a teacher in Cezanne Class. Our children in Monet Class returned to a new classroom layout and a new class teacher in Mrs Flinders. The children have responded superbly to the changes and have set themselves some very high standards. Well done to all. You may have noticed that we have been without our treasured Caretaker, Mr Kemp, over the past month or so. We are hopeful he will be back with us at the end of this half term. In the meantime, we are grateful to Mrs Wheaton and Mrs Adkins for opening the school each morning and for the team of staff for pitching in with small jobs around the building and site.

Many of you will know that Fun Times have been operating in one of our classrooms from this week. This has gone smoothly and we thank you for your quick adaptations to support this change. Our new provider, Kids R Us, will be in school on the afternoon of Thursday 19th January (3.00pm – 5.00pm) to run a drop-in session for parents and answer any queries you may have. This will take place in the school hall.

Finally, I wanted to mention a couple of items connected to our Maths provision. Your children all have access to Times Tables Rockstars (<https://play.ttrockstars.com/>) if they are in Years 1-6. We will be celebrating Weekly Champions from next Monday, with the person with the most correct answers from each class receiving a certificate and their name on our Maths display. We hope this will promote some engagement in the use of the site, which you can access from home, and in turn develop the children's number fluency. We have also updated the Maths page on our website ([FHPS Website Maths Page](#)), where you can find home learning books to support the units of work children in Years 1-6 completed last term and will be working on this term. Please feel free to download these and work on them with your child in support of their Maths learning.

With best wishes for a restful weekend. From Richard Martin.

Diary Dates...

Inspirations Dance Club

Re-started on 4th Jan - please sign up via their website if you would like your child to join.

<https://inspirations.dance/classes/fenstanton-hilton-primary-school-clubs/>

Kids R Us Drop-in Session

Thursday, 19th January 3.00-5.00pm

Half term

13th - 17th February 2023

Spring Term closes

31st March 2023

Other News...

- Attached Safer Schools Newsletter - January 2023