

# The FenHil News

'Respect, Honesty, Kindness and Collaboration'

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Getting School Ready

This week we have had 2 keyworker bubbles start back with us. Staff are working hard to accommodate a range of ages and the learning challenges that come with that. They have worked so hard to make sure that school is a happy place for the children returning.

The rest of the staff have been very busy getting protocols in place and school set up. We think we have covered every base we possibly can to ensure the safety of the children and our staff.

## Home Learning

Although the school is extending its offer to more children returning to school, we will be continuing with our home learning and ensuring each class has their weekly tasks set. We have seen lots of wonderful work which has been submitted by the children and thank you for your support with this. We know this can be challenging at times and appreciate the support you are providing your child with their home learning.

Your child's class teacher will continue to post the learning tasks and resources on a Monday morning. The class teacher will then check in with the class on a Wednesday and Friday. They will also mark the assigned task your child submits each week. Due to a number of class teachers being in school teaching their class bubble, class teachers will not be able to respond instantly to you regarding any problems you might have with accessing the work. If you do have any problems please contact in the usual way via the school office email: [office@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk)

The work planned will continue to cover the subjects the children have been working on at home and now will be grouped in phases. You may find some tasks are similar for years 1 and 2, tasks may be similar for years 3 and 4 and tasks may be similar for years 5 and 6. There will still be challenges for your child to work through if they find the work too easy.

## Extending offer to more children from 8<sup>th</sup> June

From Monday we are extending our offer to as many children as we can currently accommodate. We can cater for bubbles of 10 due to the size of our rooms with two members of staff in each bubble as we need to make sure there is a first aider and a teacher. If your child has a place in the bubble you will have been bombarded with information this week, please do take time to read and share with your children. We have planned every part of the day very carefully to ensure everybody's safety.

## Online Theatre Show for Primary School aged Children

NIE - an international theatre company based in Cambridge, will be sharing online their 4 star (The Stage) family production 'Around the World in 80 Days'. The show premiered at Cambridge Junction for a 5 week Christmas run in 2014, and has since toured across the UK including London, Bristol and Peterborough! Based on Jules Verne's famous novel and combining live music, storytelling and an international ensemble. [NIA Free Family Production – Around the world in 80 days](#)

## Packed Lunches – children returning from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June

If your child is in **Reception or Year 1** they are entitled to an infant free school meal. This will be a packed lunch, delivered to their bubble. We asked via a google form last month if you would like your child to receive a school packed lunch.

If you **did not complete** the form online and would now like your child to receive a school packed lunch (yrs R & 1 **only**) please let us know before Monday so that we can advise the chef. Email [office@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@fenstanton.cambs.sch.uk)

If your child is in **Year 6** they will need to bring their own packed lunch with them to school each day.

If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium free school meals you will continue to be provided with vouchers to cover food costs and therefore you will need to provide

a packed lunch. This applies across all year groups for children whose parents are receiving vouchers.

### **Free School Meal Vouchers**

Those of you who are entitled to Pupil Premium free school meals will have been receiving food vouchers during the lockdown period. We are in the process of changing provider and the office will notify you as soon as the process is completed. Thank you for your patience during this changeover period.

### **Summer Reading Challenge**

Every summer, thousands of children take part in the Summer Reading Challenge through their local library. This year, with normal library opening unlikely before September, children can take part in the challenge online.

'**Silly Squad**' will run from June to September, with an online virtual party on **Friday 5 June** to launch the new website. Head to the [Summer Reading Challenge Facebook page](#) for all the fun.

Children will join the '**Silly Squad**' team of animal friends who love to go on adventures and get stuck into all kinds of funny books. The Reading Agency's website will help children keep track of the books they are reading. There will be book recommendations, as well as activities, quizzes, videos and games to keep children entertained at home.

Library staff will be creating special craft activities, available on the [Cambridgeshire Libraries Facebook](#) page throughout the summer. Any updates to our offer will be posted on our [Summer Reading Challenge webpage](#)

Families can join the library, borrow e-resources (books, audio-books, comics and magazines) and see our timetable of online events here – <https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/libraries-leisure-culture/libraries>. And it's all for free!

### **Finally...**

Thank you for your support, kindness and understanding during this time. As you can imagine there is a certain amount of anxiety around coming back to school from the staff. We still live in very uncertain times, in a global

pandemic. Trying to navigate our own worries and concerns and physical health whilst trying to provide the best we can for all our families.

Best wishes,

Claire Worth, Headteacher