

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Pre-school

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Message from the Head...

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week, we have presented our new school prefects with their badges in assembly and the prefects have begun undertaking their new roles across the school. Mrs Adkins and I received 21 letters of application and it was a pleasure to welcome all of these children to the role. The prefects will be supporting in the library, on the playground and in the lunch hall; they will be listening to readers, keeping our spaces tidy and setting up for activities. We are looking forward to working with the team over the course of the year.

On Monday we enjoyed being welcomed at the Parish Church by Reverend Rosie for our Harvest Festival. Thank you for all of the donations you provided, which will be passed on to the St Ives Food Bank and make a difference to people locally. Our children were very well-behaved in the church and enjoyed the service. We were also treated to readings from three pupils – thank you and well done to Gus, Sofia and Seb.

Also on Monday, I was pleased to see the positive engagement by the Year 5 and 6 children in our new rugby club. The children are being coached by Jared Cardew from Cambridge Rugby Club's first-team squad. This club is open to boys and girls and you can book to join at [this link](#) (click on Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School Rugby Club) or by contacting Nick Dance via this email address: community@crufc.co.uk

Today we have been going crazy for BMX-biking as we welcomed Mike Mullen to school for the first of his two days with us. We started the day with a thrilling display of skill by Mike on the playground. The children from Year 5 and 6 have been taking part in workshops with Mike throughout the day.

We received the books from James Campbell this week, following your orders placed on 20th September. They should be working their way to your children soon, if they are not being enjoyed already. The cake sale after school on Monday was a real success for the PTA and raised funds to benefit our pupils. Thank you for your contributions and purchases. There were just a few cakes left over, which the PTA kindly donated to our staff for their morning coffee on Tuesday! Thank you!

We are looking forward to welcoming [Joseph Claus](#) to school next Monday and Tuesday for our Musical Theatre workshops, which will be delivered to Years 1-6. Please remember that **this event will culminate with a performance by the children at 3.00pm on Tuesday 3rd October in the school hall**. We would love to welcome you to share the children's outcomes!

With best wishes for the weekend, Richard Martin.

Diary Dates...

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

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

Monday, 9th October
- African Drumming workshops - £2 voluntary contribution welcomed
- Individual and sibling school photographs

Tuesday, 10th October - Mike Mullen BMX Visit - Day2

Wednesday, 18th October – NHS Eye Tests (Reception Class Only). See previous email.

Thursday, 19th October – Deadline for Christmas Card Designs.

Reminders & Other Info...

Friday, 20th October - PTA School Disco*
****You will need to download the School Gateway App to purchase tickets for the School Discos****

23rd – 27th October – Half Term
Monday, 30th October - Training Day, School Closed

Thursday, 16th November – Flu Immunisations (Reception – Year 6)

School Gateway app – see attached instructions
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.