

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School Newsletter

May 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the new monthly newsletter which will be coming out to you on the first school day of each month. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for making me feel so welcome at this great school.

Parent Forum

Thank you to those of you who attended the recent parent forum on Friday 28th April. These meetings are an informal opportunity to come and ask questions and talk to other parents. Tea and coffee is served and there is a suggestion box for those of you who want to make contributions to how the school could run better. It was lovely to meet so many of you and I look forward to meeting more of you at the next forum which will be on **Friday 26th May at 9am** in the hall.

School Uniform

Many of the children who come into school look extremely well turned out in their uniform. May I just remind you that the children should come to school in school uniform. This includes grey or black trousers, shorts, dresses or skirts and a blue polo shirt with a blue jumper or cardigan. Tops with a logo are available to buy from the office or there is The School Shop in St Ives which does 'new to you' uniform.

Hair accessories should be small and discrete. A uniform should be a reflection of how the school views their ethos, our children should be smart and well turned out to reflect the hard work they put in each day.

Dogs and Parking

May I remind you all to park considerately when picking up and dropping off your children. We have had a couple of near misses this week and we want to ensure the safety of our children. Similarly, dogs should not be brought onto school site.

Trips

Emerald and Ruby zones have recently embarked on walks around the local area. Ruby went on a fen walk on 26th April and Emerald went on a village walk on 2nd May. These are great opportunities for the children

to enjoy the sights of their local area and maybe find out something they didn't know before!

Staff changes

I hope that you have now had an opportunity to meet the new teachers in Swallows and Pine classes. I know that Mr. Smith, Mrs. Herod and Mrs. Andjelic are working very hard to make sure your children manage the change in the most comfortable way possible. Mrs. Derry will be with us for another week in Ash class. I will keep you informed of any new developments as they present themselves.

From September we have a new teacher, Miss Thomas joining us to teach in Ash class, Miss Thomas joins us from London and is very excited about starting at Fenstanton and Hilton primary school.

Celebration Assemblies

If your child has recently taken a music exam or achieved a sporting accolade then please encourage them to bring their certificates/ trophies into school on a Friday for me to share in Celebration Assembly.

Toys in School

There have been a few issues with personal items in school this week. Please could I remind you that the only day we should see a small toy in school is Friday for Rainbow Time. This should be small enough to fit in your child's tray. Match Attax are also not to be brought into school. If your child would like to share their album with their friends they may bring it in in the morning but it must go home with a parent or carer before lessons start.

A final thank you...

My last thanks go to your fantastic children, they are hardworking, polite and bright. I feel an immense sense of pride as I walk around school. Please do come and see me if you have any anxieties, I am always happy to help.

Claire Worth
Headteacher