

Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Pre-school

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Message from the Head...

Dear Parents / Carers,

What a start to this week we had! Our musical theatre workshops with Joseph Claus and Caroline Foster were just wonderful and the children performed brilliantly in the hall on Tuesday afternoon. We were so pleased with the support you all gave to the children – a capacity crowd! Thank you, as ever, to our PTA, who funded this enrichment activity. I have now loaded a recording of the performance into each class stream in Google Classroom. If your child has not yet joined their new class within Google Classroom, they will be doing so in the next few days and you can login with your children to share the performance together!

Next week we are looking forward to further enrichment activities, supported again by our PTA when Mike Mullen returns for more BMX workshops on Tuesday, and by your direct contributions to our African drumming workshops taking place on Monday. We hope the children share their experiences with you at home and have lots of positive things to say!

Our Key Stage 1 children will be heading for a short walk into the village next week as part of their history learning. This will be followed in the following week by a Year 3/4 trip to Holt Island and a Year 5/6 trip into Cambridge. We are so pleased to be including our local area in our curriculum and creating opportunities for children to experience these different activities.

Our rugby club for boys and girls in Year 5 and 6 continues with success. You can book to join throughout the term at [this link](#) (click on Fenstanton & Hilton Primary School Rugby Club) or by contacting Nick Dance via this email address: community@crufc.co.uk. These sessions will finish on November 27th and there will be no session on Monday 30th October, when school is closed to pupils. We are hopeful of running a rugby club for Year 3 and 4 pupils in the spring.

We are aware that many of our Year 6 children may be carrying mobile phones as they walk to and from school each day. We do ask that these are passed to the school office for safe-keeping. We would like to remove the risk of property going missing, and the temptation to use phones inappropriately and unnecessarily during the day. Please speak with your children about this, to help us avoid challenges later. Thank you.

Finally, you will have seen messages come home regarding individual and sibling school photographs taking place next Monday, 9th October. We are looking forward to seeing everyone perfectly presented on Monday morning! Now, where did I put that sunscreen?!

With best wishes for the weekend, Richard Martin.

Diary Dates...

Monday, 9th October

- African Drumming workshops - £2 voluntary contribution welcomed via School Comms App.
- Individual and sibling school photographs

Tuesday, 10th October - Mike Mullen BMX Visit - Day 2

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

Friday, 20th October – PTA Disco's

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

23rd – 27th October – Half Term

Monday, 30th October - Training Day, School Closed

Reminders & Other Info...

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

- Hilton Feast Week Village Quiz (info attached)
- EIFA Newsletter attached
- New Lunchtime Menu starts w/c 30th October (attached and on website).

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

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.