



**Hemsby Primary
School & Nursery**

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th September 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back!

It has been wonderful to welcome all our children and families back to school this week. The children have come back into school with such a positive attitude and appear really happy to be back to school – seeing their friends again and settling back into school routines.

It has been wonderful to walk around school this week seeing the children happy, focused and demonstrating such positive attitudes.

Can I also take this opportunity to extend a very warm welcome to our new Nursery and Reception children and their families. Your children have made an amazing start to their time at Hemsby – they have come in smiling and positive and have been a credit to you. Thank you for the part that you have played in preparing them to start school. We look forward to working with you all and getting to know you better. We hope that all our new children and parents will be happy at Hemsby.

Thank you too, to parents and guardians of our existing pupils for sending them back to school looking smart and in the correct uniform.

Thank you for your continued support. I hope you all have a super weekend! The weather forecast looks very promising – sunscreen and hats at the ready!

Donna Walker

Mrs Donna Walker
Acting Headteacher



Social Media Platforms

Make sure you're following us on social media to receive updates about what we are getting up to in school.

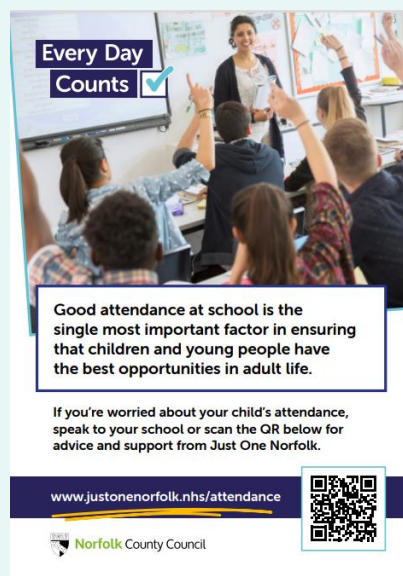
We can now be found on Instagram as well as Facebook! Just search Hemsby Primary School & Nursery or click the links below.

www.instagram.com/hemsbyprimaryschoolandnursery

www.facebook.com/hemsbyprimaryschoolandnursery



Attendance



Every Day Counts

Good attendance at school is the single most important factor in ensuring that children and young people have the best opportunities in adult life.

If you're worried about your child's attendance, speak to your school or scan the QR below for advice and support from Just One Norfolk.

www.justonenorfolk.nhs/attendance

Norfolk County Council

The poster features a photograph of a teacher in a classroom with students raising their hands. It includes a QR code and the Norfolk County Council logo.

At Hemsby Primary School and Nursery our aim is to collaborate with parents to ensure that all our pupils receive the most from their education and reach their full potential.

I hope you have had the opportunity to read the Attendance letter the school office sent out on Wednesday 6th September. If you did not receive a copy, please do contact the office, who will be happy to provide a further copy.

I will have more news next week about how we plan to celebrate good attendance in school.

I hope we can count on your support in this important matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.



Child Health, Wellbeing & Development



Call Just One Number on 0300 300 0123 or text 07520 631590 with any questions or concerns about your child's health, wellbeing or development. Their clinical team are able to support over the telephone, video call or text, and work with you to understand how best to support you and your family.

Our opening hours are Monday – Friday 8am – 6pm and 9am to 1pm on Saturday's.

Weekly online child health drop ins:
Every Tuesday 10am – 11am

Speak to a health professional via video call about your child age 0 – 19. You can get advice about infant feeding, healthy lifestyles, child development, emotional health, behaviour and sleep and much more!

Polite Reminder

We understand walking your child(ren) to and from school/nursery is an ideal opportunity to walk dogs. However, the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, families, staff and community is paramount. Some children/adults can feel intimidated or unsure of dogs. Please ensure dogs (except for service dogs) are not brought into school grounds. Thank you for your understanding.



Aims and Values

We expect everyone at Hemsby Primary School to:

- Be Respectful
- Be Kind
- Be Safe

This is the Hemsby School mantra and we will keep reminding the children to be respectful, kind and safe. Staff talk to the children about what it looks like to be respectful, kind and safe and reward them when they are.

We want everyone at Hemsby Primary School to **ASPIRE** to be the best they can through developing the following values and behaviours for learning.

They are:

- Accepting
- Successful
- Proud
- Independent
- Respectful
- Enthusiastic



Our half termly assembly themes reflect each value and staff talk to the children about what each learning behavior looks like. At the end of each week class teachers nominate children for an ASPIRE Award. This is celebrated during Friday assemblies. There are half termly Headteacher Aspire Award Assemblies for one child in each class. Parents are invited to attend if their child is selected.

Our theme this half term is: **Respectful**



PE Kits

A reminder that all PE kits should now be in school. Although all classes have timetabled PE sessions, there are often additional opportunities for sporting activities as well as staff making the most of the last of the good weather for outdoor PE lessons. Children will be unable to take part in PE unless all jewellery/earrings have been removed.

Can we ask that parents check that all of your child's belongings have been labelled, to include shoes. We have so many children in each class and want each child to learn to look after their belongings and keep them safe. It is so much easier to give the items to the correct child if they are labelled. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Class Information Sessions

We would like to invite you into school to find out more about the coming year ahead for your child. These sessions are in addition to our usual Parents' Evenings Consultations later in the term when you will have the chance to talk with your child's teacher and discuss your child's progress. The purpose of these early-in-the-term class information sessions will be to tell you about the year ahead, our expectations, how you can support and to answer any questions which you may have. These sessions will take place in our school hall.

We hope that this opportunity will provide a positive start to the year and help to establish a good working relationship between you and your child's teacher. We look forward to seeing you.

Tues 19 th September	Jays Class Information Session 2.45pm
Wed 20 th September	Kingfishers Class Information Session 2.45pm
Tues 26 th September	Hérons Class Information Session 2.45pm
Wed 27 th September	Woodpeckers Class Information Session 2.45pm
Thurs 28 th September	Swallows Class Information Session 2.45pm

Robins Class staff have been busy visiting Reception families this week and have already provided them with information about school and Robins class. In our Nursery, Mrs Olley updates parents/carers each week on Tapestry about the week ahead. We will be arranging other opportunities for parents/carers of children in Nursery and Reception to come into school this half term. Look out for these in the diary dates next week.



Dates for the Diary

I know that parents/carers find advance notice of forthcoming dates and events helpful to help when juggling family and work commitments. Further details will be sent next week but known dates for this term are as follows:

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Thurs 19 th October	Yr R & Yr 6 Height & Weight Checks in School
Fri 20 th October	Last day of term
Half Term Holiday	Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October
Mon 30 th October	Children return to school
Tues 7 th November	School Visit to War Memorial
Fri 17 th November	Children In Need
Wed 20 th December	Last day of term

