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EYFS NEWSLETTER

Dear Friends and Families of Hempstalls,

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely half-term break. The children have returned to school with great positivity, and we are incredibly proud of them.

Next week is our assessment week in school. Good luck to all our children who have been working so diligently.

A special shout-out to Year 4, who visited Kibblestone Outdoor Centre today and Monday, participating in some fantastic outdoor activities.

Our end-of-year production, Shrek, is taking shape wonderfully. The Year 6 children are working very hard to perfect their lines, singing, and dancing.

We are hopeful for excellent weather this year for our sports days. Please check Arbor for more details.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss A Bell
Headteacher



7TH JUNE 2024

TERM DATES



Friday 19th July - Finish for Summer

10th-14th June - EYFS Father's Day / special person week – activities



Sports Day

Reception sports day - 19th June 1-3pm
Nursery sports day (Mrs Thompson) - 26th June 9am - 11am
Nursery sports day (Mrs Davidson) - 3rd July 9am-11am
Cubs sports day 10th July 9am-11am

CUBS



We hope you have had a lovely half term; the children have come back really settled. Our story this week is, 'We are going on a bear Hunt' and we have been recognizing patterns resembling the human face, and the children have had a go at creating their portraits. We are even going to make our very own bear toast.

Please continue to change your child's library books at the beginning and end of the day, it has been lovely to see everyone using this facility, we don't know who is enjoying it more, the children or the parents.....

Please could we remind you that starting this week, we are asking for 20p a day for your child's toast, this is to be given to your class teacher at the start of the week.

Reminder, week 1 is to swim on Tuesday next week.

Thank you Cubs for a wonderful week

Can we remind parents to please clearly label all items so that children's belongs do not get lost.

We would also like to remind you of collection and pick up times these are as follows:

Morning sessions start at 8.45am and collection is 11.45am.

Afternoon sessions start at 12pm and collection is 2.45-3pm.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.
Team Cubs.



RECEPTION

What a lovely week we have had. It was so lovely welcoming back the children after the half-term break. This week our text has been The Journey Home by Fran Preston-Gannon. We have been exploring different modes of transport and the children have made some amazing boats in our junk modelling area. In phonics, we have been practicing reading words with longer vowel sounds. We have been exploring sharing and identifying odd and even numbers in maths.

Sports Day – 19th June AM 2 adults per child.

Whole school transition day. 4th July.

Special person Forest School workshop to celebrate Father's Day:
9:15am – 10:15am Busy Bees.
10:30am – 11:30am Magic Stars



NURSERY

A huge well done to the children for coming back into school like superstars this week. We have launched into our new topic Little People, Big Adventures with the story Terrific Trains by Tony Mitton. We have enjoyed exploring paint in our creative area and have used various shaped sponges to print. In our small world area, we have been working together to build our own mini towns. In Cool Cats this week we have been practicing team games ready for sports day. This half term is a busy one in school, please keep checking your Family accounts and our nursery door for any updates.

Wednesday 12th June- Special person's lunch. Please book on Arbor. Arrive at Nursery door for 11.15am. We expect to be finished by 12.15.

Tuesday 25th June - 3.00-4.30pm. Nursery PJ party. All nursery children are welcome to join for party games, popcorn and a film. Please secure a place on Arbor.



Please download the app and set up an account to view your child's profile and your personalised news feed.

Your trash is our treasure!

At Hempstalls, in the EYFS Department we are in the process of developing our learning environments. We are eager to gather wooden, natural & real resources for our classroom that will enhance learning and vocabulary for our children and create a purposeful, calm and inviting environment.

If you have any of the below you would be happy to donate, or you know where we could source items that are in good condition please speak to your class teacher / room leader.

- We are looking for ...**
- Old saucepans / kitchen utensils**
 - Wooden crates**
 - Electrical cable drums**
 - Picture frames**
 - Small Rugs / mats**
 - Baskets**

**Thank you for your continued support
Mrs Mullock (Assistant head / EYFS Leader)**



7 Ways to calm down

- 1 Drink cool water 
- 2 Take a break, walk away 
- 3 Draw your feelings 
- 4 Talk to a grown up 
- 5 Go for a walk 
- 6 Listen to music 
- 7 Give yourself a hug 

www.thestillmethod.com

HEALTHY LUNCHBOXES

We have seen an increase in the amount of chocolate, crisps, and sweets in children's lunch boxes. In order for us to promote healthy eating and wellbeing with the children, please send your child with a maximum of TWO treats to eat after their sandwiches.

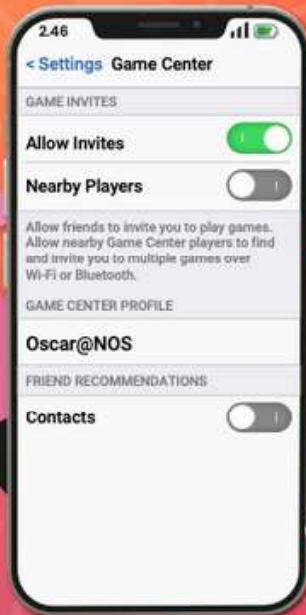
Thank you for your continued support.



PANTS AND SOCKS/TIGHTS: OUR STOCKS ARE VERY LOW. PLEASE CAN WE HAVE ANY DONATIONS OF NEW OR PRELOVED SOCKS, PANTS AND TIGHTS. THANK YOU SO MUCH PLEASE RETURN BORROWED ITEMS ASAP. THANK YOU.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

How to Restrict Game Centre

How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

1 Open Settings

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2 Tap Screen Time

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3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions

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4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)

4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)

4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases

5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

5 Scroll down to Game Centre

5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature



TIME TO TALK

**PARENT/CAREGIVER
DROP-IN**

**Offering advice,
guidance, resources,
interventions and
signposting to parents
and caregivers.**

Parenting isn't always easy. Although it's rewarding to watch the children in our care grow up, and learn to be independent, it is often very hard work and demanding, emotionally, financially, and physically.

3rd May - 7th June

Every Friday

10am - 12pm

North Staffs Mind

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**No need to book
ahead, just drop
on in**

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BEREAVEMENT AND LOSS CAN HAVE A LASTING IMPACT ON YOUR MENTAL HEALTH AND EMOTIONAL WELLBEING

GOOD GRIEF: BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

COMPASSION WHEN YOU NEED IT MOST, WE'RE HERE TO HELP YOU THROUGH TOUGH TIMES.

TO BOOK ON CALL 01782 262100

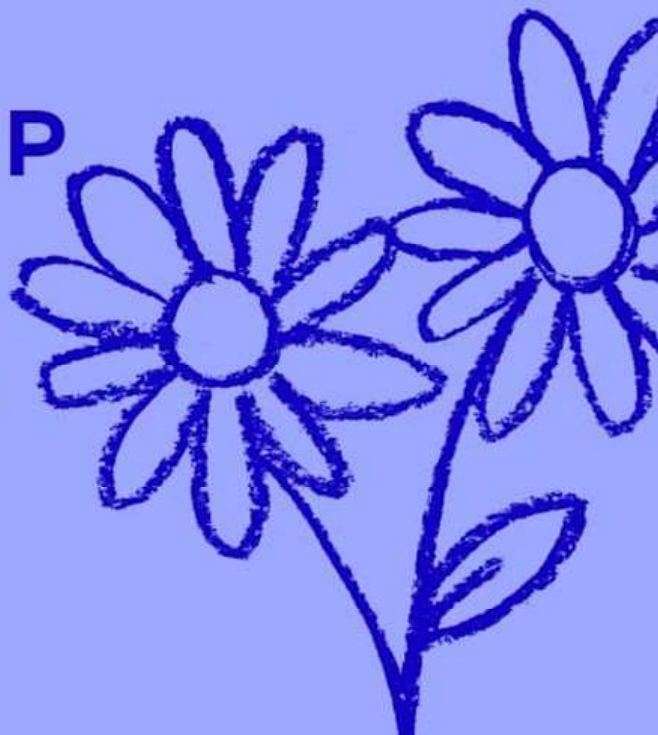
EVERY THURSDAY

5:30PM - 7:30PM

NORTH STAFFS MIND

NORTH MARSH STREET

HANLEY





Are you concerned about a child?

If you are concerned about a child:

Make a factual record of your concern.
(Include day, date, time, other witnesses, concern and your signature).

You must share your concerns without delay



Miss A Bell
Designated Safeguarding Lead Officer



Mrs K Timmis
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs J Hemmings
**Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Officer**



Mrs R Mullock
Safeguarding Lead



Miss C McDonald
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs E Kirkham
Safeguarding Lead

Or Contact Staffordshire Children's Advice and Support Service
0800 111 8007