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newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been a wonderful week at Hempstalls beginning the week with talking about children's snow fun filled weekends.

Please look at the website's curriculum page for details on the latest foundation blocks in Art, Design, Technology, and ICT which children have started this week.

Y5 and Y6 were delightful beginning our first of our festive performances - performing at the Christingle event at St Michael's church this week. More festive performances await - Reception in the Wiggly Nativity and KS1 in Lights, Camel, Action. Secure your tickets through Arbor.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Best regards,

Miss A Bell
Headteacher

TT ROCKSTARS
Ensure your child accesses TT Rockstars for independent study at home. Contact your child's class teacher if you encounter any login issues.

8th December 2023

WE ARE HOSTING A EYFS OPEN MORNING FOR PERSPECTIVE NEW PARENTS

Saturday 9th December
9 -10:30 am

We would like to say a **huge thank you to St. Micheals church** and parish for the food bank donations, this has really topped up our stock.



Thank you to the school choir who performed so well at St Michael's church on Saturday for their Christmas Fayre.

Champion Moments

Arts Jodrell Bank	Aspirations STEM workshop at Newcastle College	Arts Christingle Community	Environment Forest School
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Dates For Your Diary

- Monday 11th December**
RECEPTION NATIVITY
9:15am & 2pm
(booking available in Arbor).
- Tuesday 12th December**
KS1 VISIT TO NEWCASTLE COLLEGE FOR PANTONIME
- Thursday 14th December**
KS1 VISIT TO NEWCASTLE COLLEGE FOR PANTONIME
- Monday 18th December**
Y1/2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
2pm (booking available in Arbor)
- Tuesday 19th December**
Y1/2 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
2pm & 5pm (booking available in Arbor) - children to return to school at 4:30pm for a 5pm start.
- Wednesday 20th December**
GRANDPARENTS FESTIVE AFTERNOON
1:30-2:30pm (Christmas Carols, Bingo, Raffle and Refreshments), booking available in Arbor.
- Friday 22nd December**
CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY
(non-uniform/party clothes).
NO Food/Drink to be brought in.



NEWCASTLE DISTRICT FROM PRAM TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

We understand that parenting is hard at times and can be overwhelming.

FREE TO BOOK ON. TERM TIME ONLY
Book your place at
groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk

10 weekly sessions. A face to face course, adult only, to help you support your children's development including behaviour tips and hints by Family Caring Trust

FREE for parents and carers - please email your name, child's name and date of birth together with your contact number, address and which course and day you are interested in

For professionals - please complete the groupwork referral form and send to the above email

STARTING MONDAY 8TH JANUARY 2024 VIRTUAL SESSIONS
10AM - 11:30AM
1PM - 2:30PM

STARTING TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY 2024
12:30PM - 2:30PM
NEWCASTLE CHILDREN'S CENTRE



Wellbeing corner

Dove Service
Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Talking Therapies

Did you know that we provide free-of-charge bereavement counselling for adults?

If this is something you would like to access and you are registered with a GP in Stoke or Staffordshire, please call the Talking Therapies self-referral helpline on 0300 303 0923



Please be respectful to our local neighbours when parking around the school area please do not block driveways.
No dogs allowed on school grounds.



Allergy information available on request

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main	Margherita Pizza (v)	Cottage Pie	Roast of the Day with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Build your own Chicken Wrap with Mexican Rice	Fish and Chips
Vegetarian	Teriyaki Noodles with Edamame (v)	Bean and Spinach Enchilada (v)	Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes and Gravy (v)	Cheese and Tomato Quesadilla with Mexican Rice (v)	Veggie Nuggets and Chips (v)
3rd Options	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo or Coleslaw	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna Mayo or Coleslaw
Deli					
Deli Option with Ham, Tuna Mayo, Egg Mayo or Cheese					
Vegetables					
Hot Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Seasonal Vegetables	Hot Seasonal Vegetables
Dessert (Fresh fruit and yoghurt available daily as an alternative to the dessert of the day.)					
Iced Carrot Cake	Flapjack	Autumn Cake with Custard	Jelly Crunch Pot	Fruit Mousse	

Fresh seasonal salad and bread available daily.



CHAMPION AWARD

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| RB - Daisy | 3P - Harry |
| RM - Chester | 4B - Alice |
| 1C - Charlie | 4K - Olivia-Rose |
| 1E - Avah-Beux | 5P - TRIP |
| 2C - Willow | 5T - Aidan |
| 2M - Demi-Lei | 6M - Layla |
| 3MC - Isaac | 6P - William |



Good To Be Green & Attendance

Congratulations to all the Good to Be Green and 100% attendance winners this week

Good To be Green Reception & KS1

RB - Nancy, RM - Luca, 2C - Reagan, Sophie

KS2

3MC - Lexi-Mai, 4K - Riley, 5P - Carter, 5T - Harriet, Jack, 6M - Deshabi, 6P - Lewis

100% Attendance

Reception & KS1: 1C - Isabella, KS2: 6P - AJ

Class Attendance

5T



Jackson Award

For demonstrating the school values of Respect, Resilience, Prepared, Curious, kindness.

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| 1C - Viaan | 2C - Martha | 3MC - Zelda | 4B - Emilia | 5P - TRIP | 6M - Skye |
| 1E - Noah | 2M - Jake | 3P - Amelia | 4K - Lina | 5T - Rosie | 6P - AJ |

ADMISSION INTO RECEPTION CLASS SEPTEMBER 2024

To be sure of receiving an offer on national offer day please apply online through our website ([please click here](#))

The online system will ask for a UID number - please click 'No UID', this will allow you to continue with your application.

You will need to make your application by **15 January 2024** and your child will receive an offer of a reception place on national offer day 16 April 2024.



100 Great Reads Termly Reading Champion Prize Assembly

Over 140 reading prizes have been awarded.

WELL DONE!

WATER BOTTLES

Only water please in your child's water bottle



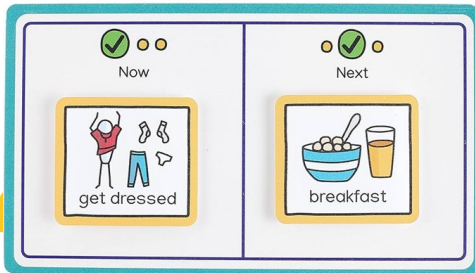
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SEND

Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

Top Tip:



Now and Next boards can help to break down tasks. They can be as simple as having a 'wash hands' symbol now, and a 'reading book' symbol next.

SEND COFFEE MORNINGS

Join our SEND coffee mornings by booking on Arbor throughout the year. Mrs. Timmis and Miss Price are eager to discuss and support any special educational needs your children may have.



ENJOY A FESTIVE FAMILY DAY OUT AND EARN CASH BACK FOR YOUR SCHOOL*

* When purchasing your tree, ask at the till for your schools token. The amount you have spent on your tree(s) will be put against your school (don't forget to mention Hempstalls).



KEELE UNIVERSITY TREE FARM

NEED TO TALK?

If you need to talk - we will listen.

You can talk to any adult in school, but some staff who have a key responsibility for making sure you are safe and well cared for.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:



Miss A Bell
Designated Safeguarding Lead Officer



Mrs J Hemmings
Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer



Mrs K Timmis
Safeguarding Lead



Mrs E Kirkham
Safeguarding Lead



Miss C McDonald
Safeguarding Lead

Connecting you with help and support in your community.



Visit the new Staffordshire SEND Local Offer

(Special Educational Needs and Disability)

www.staffordshireconnects.info

For children and young people aged 0-25 years

The best place to go to find information about SEND support in Staffordshire.

- Early years and childcare
- Education
- Social Care
- Health and Wellness
- Travel and transport
- Places to go, things to do
- Preparing for adulthood
- Money Matters
- Extra Help available to children, families and settings
- Information and support including support groups and organisations
- Policy information, referral mechanisms, forms and templates

Email: localoffer@staffordshire.gov.uk



Hempstalls Primary School
**Food bank
Grab and Go!**

Available from school reception whilst stock lasts.

CAREER EVENTS

We are always keen to hear about different careers our parents and wider community are part of. Please email me if you are willing to answer any questions our children have to ask as we are planning our careers events in the new year.

Miss Bell, Headteacher: [email link](mailto:missbell@hempstallsps.co.uk)

Total raised at the Christmas Fayre:

£2400

Thank you to the dedicated PSFA team and everyone who supported the Christmas Fayre. We are pleased to tell you that we raised £2400 for the school which will be used to purchase resources for the children.



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