



Hemlington Hall Academy

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Remember: newsletters will be published on our website, on our Twitter feed and on our app each fortnight to keep parents and carers updated of important information and key dates.

Moving on up!

Our Reception children had a graduation ceremony to celebrate the end of this school year, and had a wonderful time sharing their success with parents and carers. Thank you to everybody who attended this really special event.

All of our children begin their new classes on Monday 2nd July (after our PD Day, where school is closed, on Friday 29th June).



♪ ♪ ♪ All Together Now ♪ ♪ ♪

Rehearsals are well under way for our 'BBC Ten Pieces' Big Sing event in July. Emily Smith, a professionally trained soprano singer, has been into school to teach children attending the Shine club and children in Year 3 one of the songs we will be singing at the performance.

What an incredible experience this is for our talented children!

A Long Walk to Water

As part of their context work on the water crisis in parts of Africa, such as Sudan, and learning how poor sanitation can lead to contaminated water, our Year 4 children will be completing a sponsored water carry on Wednesday 27th June. All of the money raised will go towards the Toilet Twinning project, to help people in developing countries build safe, clean toilets away from their water sources. Thank you to all of those who have already signed up to donate money!



London Calling!

Our Year 5 children had an amazing time visiting our capital city, including a visit to the theatre to see School of Rock, a delicious meal in the Rainforest Café, a breath-taking trip on the London Eye and an amazing adventure around Whipsnade Zoo. The children were a real credit to the school, and a huge thank you goes out to all of the staff who organised and chaperoned the visit.



Remember to check out our website - <https://www.hemlingtonhallacademy.co.uk>

You can follow us on Twitter too - [@Hemlingtonhall](https://twitter.com/Hemlingtonhall)

If you would like a paper copy of our newsletter free of charge, please ask at the school office.



What is 'sharenting' and should we be doing it?

The term 'sharenting' has now been added to the Collins English Dictionary – but what is it?

'Sharenting' is when parents share a lot of information about their children on social media – from pictures of those first special milestones to anecdotes about what their children have been up to on a daily basis, showing everybody how proud they are of their children. But what can the consequences of oversharing information be in our children's futures?

When our children grow up, will they find out that much of their private lives have been online for years?

Is what seemed cute during their childhood inappropriate in their adulthood?

For more information on 'sharenting' and its possible consequences, you may find the following articles interesting:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-37858639>

<https://www.channel4.com/news/sharenting-is-it-right>


<https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2013/may/18/pros-cons-of-sharenting>

We <3 Our Rabbits!

Our rabbit monitors do a great job of looking after the school rabbits, and now our furry friends are even happier with their new hutches from Pets At Home. Thank you to the staff there who helped us pick the right ones! Applications for rabbit monitors next year are open for children who will be in Mrs Millar's or Mrs Warner's classes.



Attendance

Our attendance target is  96%

A huge well done to the classes who beat the target!

Reception → 94%

Year 1 → 94%

Year 2 → 97%

The Base → 92%

Year 3 → 98%

Year 4 → 92%

Year 5 → 94%

Year 6 → 92%

All children must be in school on time every single day; being late just five minutes each day adds up to 30 minutes a week of lost learning time, three hours lost learning time over an average half term and 18 hours lost learning time over a school year!

Important Dates

Y6 Visit to Crucial Crew 26th June
Annual Picnic Day 28th June
Afternoon Nursery Closed 28th June
PD Day (School Closed) 29th June
Children begin new classes 2nd July
HHA Choir @ Big Sing M'bro 4th July
Early Year's Sports Day 5th July
Shine Concert 9th July (6pm)
Y6 @ Carlton 10th July – 13th July

School Term Dates 2018-2019

School term dates for the next academic year can now be found on the 'Letters' section of the school website, or by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.hemlingtonhallacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/SCHOOL-TERM-DATES-2018-19.pdf>