



## Headteacher's Introduction

Welcome back! It has been wonderful to see the children coming back to school this week and I have been so impressed with the children's approach to being back at school. The atmosphere around school is very positive with children so engaged and motivated in their learning. Today we have held our key stage praise assemblies and it was lovely to hear of how the children have settled into their new classes and also how they have displayed our Word of the Week 'RESPECT' to others. A huge well done!

I have really enjoyed chatting to parents at the start of the day and we will always have a member of our Senior Leadership Team outside at the start of the day to welcome you to school and help with any questions you may have. Please do come and say hello.

Mrs Hutchinson is our Deputy Headteacher and Year 3&4 Phase Leader

Mr Stevens is Early Years and Key Stage 1 Phase Leader

Miss Bevins is our Y5&6 Phase Leader

Miss Le Pla is our SENDCo.

We want to keep you as updated as possible with what is happening in school and will be using our Hempland Twitter account to post regular updates. If you don't already, please have a look at us on @HemplandPrimary.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Innes

## News from this Week

### School environment

Lots of work took place over the Summer and the school is looking great. New signage was installed around the outside and we are thrilled with our lockers which the whole of Key Stage 2 now have. The removal of the original cloakroom stands has created space for intervention areas. Our classrooms are looking fabulous and we have had a big focus on our reading areas and the quality of the texts that we have in there. The children are really loving spending time exploring our new texts. We are also developing our use of Working Walls to support the children's learning in maths and English.

### National Online Safety Program

Learning how to act safely when using the internet is an incredibly important part of safeguarding our children. However, sometimes it can be hard to find an up-to-date, reliable, relevant and accessible guide to the online world that the children are exposed to.

We are therefore delighted to announce that Hempland Primary have shown our commitment to protecting our pupils online by working with National Online Safety which provides resources for all parents and carers. We will be sending further information out about this next week

### New Arrival

I am delighted to share with you the happy news that Miss Wilkinson had her baby girl on Tuesday and both mum and baby are doing very well. I'm sure you will all join me in sending congratulations to Miss Wilkinson and her partner Rob at this happy time.



## Diary Dates

Attached with this newsletter you will find a list of diary dates that we have for Autumn Term 1. We will be adding further dates once confirmed and will also have a section on our weekly newsletter to inform you of upcoming dates for the week ahead.

## Extra Curricular Clubs

Year 1 and 2 children enjoyed their first extra curricular club of the year on Thursday with a very energetic Multi Skills session led by Ignite Sports Coaching. Further clubs are already being added with many more to follow. Please see the Diary Dates attachment which has the days and times of further clubs.

## Parent Welcome Meetings

We are delighted that we are able to welcome you back into school and will be holding parent welcome meetings on the evenings of Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. The class teachers will give a short presentation about their year group and there will also be an opportunity for you to have a look in your child's classroom. If you are unable to attend the welcome meeting, we can arrange for the presentation to be shared with you.

## Year 4 Swimming

You will notice we have swimming lessons starting for Year 4 in week 3. Mr Stevens has today given all children in Mrs Campbell & Mrs Dean's class a letter with further details.