Fenstanton and Hilton Primary School and Pre-school

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Message from the Head…

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a wide range of activity in school this week. On Monday morning our whole school (Reception-Year 6) visited the parish church for a short harvest service. Reverend Rosie led us and remarked afterwards on the excellent and respectful behaviour of our children. We are also very grateful for the huge collection of donations for the St Ives Foodbank. Your generosity will be much appreciated, I am sure.

Mike Mullen, a BMX champion, led BMX and scooter workshops for children in Year 1 – Year 6 this week, and delivered assemblies that also included our Preschool and Reception children. The children engaged so positively with the sessions and the messages Mike delivered in the assembly. I hope the children came home talking about the excitement of the sessions! We are very grateful to our PTA for funding this activity in its entirety.

Our Reception and Key Stage 1 children visited Ron's Farm Shop on Thursday as part of their in-class learning looking at where food is grown and how it is produced. We are grateful to be welcomed so willingly by our extended community, who really help to enrich our curriculum.

Next Wednesday afternoon we are looking forward to welcoming many of you to our classrooms (Reception to Year6) for a 'Meet the Teacher' session. This was originally shared with you on 29th September. These group sessions will provide you with an opportunity to learn more about life in your child's classroom and their in-school activities. I would suggest this event is for parents and carers only, please, however I recognise that childcare situations might make it necessary for you to bring children with you. Please try your best to support us with this.

Next Thursday evening (5.00pm) we are hosting a short information session for parents/carers of children starting school in September 2027. We are hoping to see many of our preschool families at this session, but please share this information with families who have children of the appropriate age!

Finally, I have been in contact with Cambridge Arts Theatre regarding our pantomime visit in December. They would like to confirm our total number of tickets, which we will need to pay for in advance. Our original communication asked for **payment by Friday 6th November**, so there is still time to claim your child's place.

With best wishes for the weekend, from Richard Martin and all of the team in school.

Diary Dates

Wednesday 14th Oct – Open Classrooms including teacher presentations for Reception – Year 6 students. Starts at 3.45pm – 4.45pm.

Thursday 15th Oct - Open Evening for New Reception children in September 2027, 5 - 6pm

Monday 19th Oct, 4.30pm - Phonics Information Session for parents/carers of children in Year 1.

Wednesday 21st Oct, 4.30pm: Phonics Information Session for parents/carers of children in Reception/Preschool.

Notices/Reminders …

Monday 26th – Friday 30th October – Half Term, School Closed

Monday 2nd Nov – Individual School Photos

PGL Trips – July and September 2027 (Yr6 and Yr5 parents) Reminder: deposit payments to secure a place need to have been paid by the deadline 12th October via School Gateway. The trips may be cancelled if there are not enough children who wish to attend.