



Hemington Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Alun Randell

**"To enable, encourage and equip all children to achieve their best
through an inspiring and nurturing environment."**

Friday 6th September 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to a new school year and a very warm welcome to our new pupils and their families! It has been a fantastic start to the year and I have been delighted at the way the children have returned to school. It is a real treat to see the children come smiling into school and to see how well they play together at playtime and lunchtime.

I have also been very impressed with the children's punctuality and I would like to say thank you to our parents and carers for their consideration of our neighbours and other drivers when parking at drop off and pick up which are running very smoothly.

Changeable weather!

Having told families last week it looked like it would be a very hot week, it has instead been very wet! Please make sure your child has a waterproof coat everyday as we try very hard not to have indoor 'wet play'.

Data collection/ Photo permissions

The annual data collection sheets will be sent home with your child on Monday. It is very important that these are returned to school as soon as possible even if no details have changed. In particular, please check carefully that you have chosen the correct photo permissions. We do use Facebook to give our families a view into daily school life and to promote the school in the community but we will only include photos of children for whom we have explicitly been given permission (names of children are never used alongside photos).

Open Days

We will be holding Open Days for families looking at Reception places for September 2025 on **Tues 24th September, Thursday 9th October and Tues 15th October at 9:30am**. Please help us spread the news!

Upcoming dates:

2nd October - Online Poet Workshop

3rd October National Poetry Day

Tues 15th October - Parents Evenings 3:30 - 5:30pm

Wed 16th October - Parents Evenings 4:00 - 6:00pm

Thurs 17th October - Harvest Show and Share 2:15pm

Thurs 24th October Y5/6 Trip to Wells Literacy Festival

Fri 25th October - INSET Day - school closed

Mon 28th October - Fri 1st Nov - Half term

You can access our online school calendar via our school website homepage.

Looking for green fingered volunteers!

Mr Randell will be running a Gardening Club on Wednesdays after school 3:15pm - 4:15pm. We would love to hear from any volunteers who may be able to help out either on a regular basis or as a one off so that we can make the most of our amazing setting. Please contact the school office if you are able to help out. Any donations of plants, bulbs, seeds and compost would be gratefully received!



Hemington Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Alun Randell

**"To enable, encourage and equip all children to achieve their best
through an inspiring and nurturing environment."**

Parent governor

Hemington Primary School share a governing body with Leigh-on-Mendip Primary School. Meetings are held once a term on a Thursday evening 6:00pm. We currently have a vacancy for a parent from Hemington Primary School. If you are interested in volunteering as a governor, please speak to Mrs Iles in the office, who is also our Clerk to Governors, to find out more about the role.

Open Door Policy

Our first Parents Evenings are in October but please remember we have an 'open door' policy. The school teacher may not be able to meet with parents at the start of the day but if you have any queries or concerns please do ask for an appointment at any time during the year.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Alun Randell
Headteacher