



Holywell Primary School

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we are a learning community with the spirit to succeed

10th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you

I would like to extend a big thank you to all teachers for their work this half term and especially this last week. We had two late evenings as a result of parents evening as well as a local authority visit. It is easy to get distracted from what we aim to achieve with all the negativity in the press around wages and work conditions but I must say our teachers have demonstrated the utmost professionalism and continue to work hard.

Internet safety day

This week we have celebrated Internet Safety day. Pupils have been completing various activities linked to the theme of 2023 which is '**Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online**'. They watched a video created by Big Foot Theatre and each class completed an activity linked to it. We are looking forward to welcoming Bigfoot Theatre in after the half term when they will be delivering some workshops and assemblies to pupils in the school.

Governor Vacancy

We are still looking for parents who are able to join the governing body. Please email the school office if you are interest or have any questions about joining them (admin@holywell.herts.sch.uk).

Healthy snack

Can I please remind you that we are a healthy school which means that food and snacks we serve are required to be healthy and do not contain large amounts of sugar or salt. Items such as chocolate, sweets, big bags of crisps are not acceptable for the children to have in school.

Parents evening

Thank you to all who attended parents evening this week. If you were unable to make an appointment, your teacher will contact you after the half term to arrange a meeting with you. It is important that you know the levels your children are currently working at and also what needs to be concentrated upon to improve.

Parents coffee morning

You are invited to join us for a coffee after your child's assembly on a Friday morning.

| Topic/Theme | Class | 9:10 am Y1-Y6 Olympic Hall |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Shrove Tuesday & Ash Wednesday | Mr van Straaten | Friday 24th February 2023 |
| St David's Day | Y2 Hawthorn | Friday 3rd March 2023 |
| Women's History Month | Mrs Keshiro | Friday 10th March 2023 |
| Mother's Day | Y1 Sycamore | Friday 17th March 2023 |
| School Council | Mrs Keshiro/School Council | Friday 24th March 2023 |
| Presentation Assembly | Mr van Straaten | Thursday 30th March 2023 |
| Easter production | Y3 Mulberry/Rowan | Friday 31st March 2023 |



World Book Day

World Book Day is on Thursday 2nd March 2023. As a school we will be celebrating by having a Roald Dahl themed day; the day will include media comparisons of Roald Dahl stories along with some Quentin Blake style art activities and then finally singing assembly linked to songs from the musical Matilda.

As part of World Book day, the children can come dressed as one of their favourite book characters but no football Kits please.

Festival of learning

Thank you to all who have joined us for the Festival of Learning this week. We will be hosting many 'Inviting Parents into School' events after the half term. Please come in and visit your child in their learning.

**New Uniform Supplier**

We have now managed to secure Beat School Uniforms as our new Uniform Supplier. Everything will be uploaded by them onto their website by the end of the school day. Beat School Uniform, an established uniform supplier, also have a shop on the Watford High Street. We have attached their flyer below for more information.

https://beatschooluniforms.co.uk/schools/holywell_primary_school/

Mrs Moore, our Chair of Holywell's PTA and a member of our Governing body will be moving on to pastures new and we wish her and family every success in the future. I would like to thank her for her huge effort and contribution to the Holywell Primary School community.

Yours faithfully



Mr C van Straaten
Headteacher

| House Points | |
|--------------|-----|
| Cassio | 163 |
| Ebury | 209 |
| Brightwell | 164 |
| Vicarage | 217 |

Star & Charter Certificates – 10th February 2023

| Star Learner of the Charter Certificate | | |
|---|----------|------------|
| EYFS | Hazel | Amelia |
| Y1 Sycamore | Sky | Eliana |
| Y2 Hawthorn | Oliver | Lina |
| Y3 Mulberry | Reaiah | Tayla-Rose |
| Y3 Rowan | Amira | Bilal |
| Y4 Cedar | Hannah | Lily-Rae |
| Y5 Chestnut | Mahira | Robert |
| Y5 Elder | Peter | Rebeka |
| Y6 Elm | Abdullah | Malwina |

WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FROM SEPTEMBER 2022
91%

Week Commencing 30th January - 3rd February 2023

| Attendance by Class | | | |
|---------------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| Nursery | 71% | Y3 Mulberry | 94% |
| Reception | 83% | Y4 Cedar | 92% |
| Y1 Sycamore | 90% | Y5 Chestnut | 79% |
| Y2 Hawthorn | 84% | Y5 Elder | 88% |
| Y3 Rowan | 96% | Y6 Elm | 92% |

| Attendance | |
|--|-------------|
| <i>Best Classes in the whole school for attendance</i> | |
| Key Stage 1 | Y1 Sycamore |
| Key Stage 2 | Y3 Rowan |



On behalf of Holywell Primary School



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PTA COFFEE MORNING



21st February 9am

@ the meeting room behind
the back of the old reception
building

Do you want to meet the PTA?

Are you interested in joining the PTA?

Fancy a chat with a free tea or coffee?

Then come and join us for PTA coffee morning

Everyone is welcome so please drop in and say hello.

