

Holywell Primary School

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Friday 14th June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

South West Herts Consortium School Tests

We would like to remind parents of children currently in Year 5 that the registration period closes next week, Friday 21st June 2019. A letter with full details has been sent out today.

Phonics Screening

Well done to all the Year 1 and Year 2 pupils who completed their Phonics Screening Tests this week. These tests are completed by all pupils in the country. Well done everyone and thank you to the Teachers and Teaching Assistants for all their hard work in helping our pupils to learn phonics.



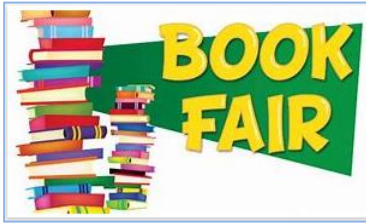
Mobile Phones

We deal with lots of issues in school as a result of the use of social media and online gaming. Whilst we teach and remind pupils about the use of technology, parents have a very important role to play in supervising their children's use of technology and online gaming. Most applications and games have an age restriction on them. These are an indication of the risks and content that pupils are exposed to through using these applications and games. Parents must make sure that they are fully aware of all that their children do on their mobile phones.

I would like to remind parents that we do not allow pupils to bring mobile phones into school. This causes a number of issues that we cannot deal with. Although some parents would argue that their children need their phones for safety, we encourage parents to make other arrangements to ensure that their children get to school and home safely. We allow pupils to go home on their own with parent's permission in Year 5 and Year 6 because pupils demonstrate a sense of maturity to enable them to build their independence and go home on their own. We do not do this thinking they need to have a mobile phone.



Mobiles phones will be confiscated if seen in school and parents will be contacted to come in and collect them.



Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair this week. We are pleased to confirm we sold books to the value of £484.90 and this has generated the sum of £230.94 in commission that we will spend on books for the school.

SRE Letter and DVD for Year 5 and Year 6 Parents

A letter went out this week inviting parents of children in Year 5 and Year 6 to view in advance the DVD we are showing the children to support the SRE curriculum. This will be shown on Tuesday 18th June 2019.

New to Nursery and New to Reception – September 2019

Next week we welcome the parents and children who are starting in Nursery and Reception September 2019. We will be sharing information about our school at this time. The meetings will be held on:

- New to Nursery – Wednesday 19th June 2019 at 9:15 am
- New to Reception – Thursday 20th June 2019 at 9:15 am

Forthcoming Events

Next week is a busy week with lots of trips and activities taking place at Holywell. Some fixtures planned for this week were moved to next week because of the rain.

- Year 3 trip to Bekonscot Model Village & Railway
- Year 4 Tri Golf competition at Watford Boys Grammar School
- Year 4 Metro Bank workshop
- Year 5 Metro Bank workshop
- Year 6 Kwik Cricket match at Watford Boys Grammar School
- Year 6 visit from local Magistrates

We wish all the best to the children taking part in the Tri Golf and Kwik Cricket.

Holywell Charter and Star Certificates

| Class | Charter certificate | Star Learner of the Week award | Class | Charter certificate | Star Learner of the Week award |
|-----------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Blue Base | Rory | Mikayla | Mulberry | Bright | Bailey |
| Red Base | Maisey | Aansh | Cedar | Mahi | Amy |
| Sycamore | Robert | Iniyah | Elder | Zoyah | Asher |
| Maple | Amina | Samanta | Ash | Mohammed | Emily |
| Hawthorn | Rick | Kevin | Chestnut | Zanib B | Luke |
| Hazel | Ellie-Mae | Amin | Rowan | Daniel | Luxene |
| Pine | Carolina | Bailey | Elm | Zuzanna | Tanishq |
| Beech | Charlie | Margarida | Birch | | |
| Aspen | Adaeze | Lorenzo | | | |

Attendance by Class

Last week's attendance by class:

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|------------|-----|----------|-----|
| Nursery am | 86% | Pine | 81% |
| Blue base | 88% | Mulberry | 94% |
| Red base | 83% | Cedar | 82% |
| Maple | 91% | Ash | 86% |
| Sycamore | 90% | Elder | 91% |
| Hawthorn | 95% | Chestnut | 86% |
| Hazel | 83% | Birch | 83% |
| Aspen | 75% | Elm | 86% |
| Beech | 92% | Rowan | 88% |

Whole School Attendance

Whole school attendance for the academic year till last Friday is:

94.3 %

Attendance and Punctuality

Best classes in the whole school for attendance and punctuality last week were:

| Attendance | Punctuality |
|----------------|-------------|
| KS1: Hawthorn | KS1: Hazel |
| KS2 : Mulberry | KS2: Pine |

Class Assembly - Olympic Hall at 9:10am

| DATE | CLASS | TOPIC |
|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Friday 21st June 2019 | Red | My Feelings |
| Friday 28th June 2019 | Elm | Good to be me |
| Friday 5th July 2019 | Mulberry | Resilience |
| Friday 12th July 2019 | Birch | Resilience |
| Friday 19th July 2019 | Rowan Elm and Birch | Leavers Assembly |

Heritage Boxes

The Watford Museum has provided a locked cabinet where we can show a selection of 12 boxes - three from each partner school, including boxes from Spain - in their Foyer.



The boxes will be exhibited from this week until the end of June.

Please remember that on **22nd June** the show is on in full swing in:

**The Family History Research Centre, 362 Hempstead Rd, by Russells Nursery,
Watford WD17 3NB.**



Dates for your Diary

SUMMER TERM

JUNE 2019

Monday 17th June 2019 – Key Stage 1 Phonics Screening all week
Tuesday 18th June 2019 – Year 3 Bekonscot Model Village and Railway
Tuesday 18th June 2019 – Kwik Cricket at Watford Boys Grammar School
Tuesday 18th June 2019 – Tri-Golf at Watford Boys Grammar School
Tuesday 18th June 2019 – Year 4 and Year 5 Metrobank
Wednesday 19th June 2019 – New to Nursery September 2019 Parents Meeting at 09:15 am
Wednesday 19th June 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson
Wednesday 19th June 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Wednesday 19th June 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Thursday 20th June 2019 – New to Reception September 2019 Parents Meeting at 09:15am
Thursday 20th June 2019 – Local Magistrates visiting Year 6
Thursday 20th June 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Thursday 20th June 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central
Tuesday 25th June 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson
Wednesday 26th June 2019 – Year 1 Cassiobury Park
Wednesday 26th June 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson
Wednesday 26th June 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Wednesday 26th June 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Thursday 27th June 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Thursday 27th June 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central
Thursday 27th June 2019 – Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Sports Day
Thursday 27th June 2019 – Year 6 Transition Workshops
Friday 28th June 2019 – Year 5 Kidzania
Friday 28th June 2019 – EYFS Sports Day

JULY 2019

Monday 1st July 2019 – Friday 5th July 2019 Year 6 Residential trip to Isle of Wight
Monday 1st July 2019 – Year 6 Cassiobury Park
Monday 1st July 2019 – School Nurse in for Health Screening (Reception to Year 2)
Monday 1st July 2019 – Reception - Dental checks/information from School Health
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 5 Athletics at Queens' School
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 6 Cinema – The Secret Life of Pets 2
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Project Day In School
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Nursery to Cassiobury Park
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson

Dates for your Diary

SUMMER TERM - CONTINUED

JULY 2019

Thursday 4th July 2019 – Nursery to Cassiobury Park

Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 1 to Year 6 Black Knight Historical Workshop

Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School

Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central

Thursday 4th July 2019 – Key Stage 1 and Keys Stage 2 Reserve Sports Day

Friday 5th July 2019 – Year 6 Whipsnade Zoo

Friday 5th July 2019 – Nursery and Reception Reserve Sports Day

Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 2 Tring Museum

Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Holywell Music Concert – time to be confirmed

Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 2 to Natural History Museum Tring

Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson

Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Community Day

Wednesday 10th July 2019 - Year 5 Ukulele Lesson

Wednesday 10th July 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School

Wednesday 10th July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation

Thursday 11th July 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School

Thursday 11th July 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central

Thursday 11th July 2019 – Moving Up Day – Year 6 out at new schools

Friday 12th July 2019 – Reception to Ruislip Lido

Monday 15th July 2019 – No clubs all week

Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson

Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Parents Evening – End of Year – Reports out

Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Year 6 Dress Rehearsal to Key Stage 2

Wednesday 17th July 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson

Wednesday 17th July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation

Wednesday 17th July 2019 – Year 6 Dress Rehearsal to Key Stage 1

Friday 19th July 2019 – End of School Year. Nursery finishes at 12:00 midday, the rest of school finishes at 1:30 pm



Do you want to learn a musical instrument?
Then come and have a go at our...

OPEN EVENING

Our experienced and professional team of teachers will help
you decide the best instrument for YOU!

from 4.30pm - 6.30pm on

Wednesday 10th July 2019

At: Watford School of Music
(on site of Watford Boys Grammar School)
The Clarendon Muse, 70 Rickmansworth Rd
Watford, WD18 7JA
Tel : 01923 225531

Admission Free