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**Holywell Primary School**

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Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Amendments to the website**

We would like to make parents aware that we have made an amendment to our website. It is not a policy change and most parents are aware that if a child has been diagnosed with vomiting and diarrhoea that they should be kept off school for 48 hours after the last episode of illness. In error the website stated 24 hours. Thank you for your consideration and support with this. The section that has been changed can be seen here.

<http://www.holywell.herts.sch.uk/parents/parents-information/>

**Anti-Bullying Week**

This week, in class, the children have been talking about anti-bullying. We will continue the theme of 'Respect' until the end of the autumn term. Our aim is to inform parents about the work we do around bullying as this was an issue highlighted in the questionnaire to parents in the autumn term.



**Do not approach other children**

This is a general reminder that under no circumstances should any parent approach the child of another parent. If you have any concerns please see either your child's class teacher, Deputy Headteacher - Mrs Keshiro or Mr O'Brien, or myself.

**School Meals**

It was mentioned in the newsletter last week, and also in a separate letter that was sent out this week, today is the last day that pupils can have a school meal without credit on their account. All dinner debt needs to be paid up to date today and credit needs to be on a child's account to enable them to order a school meal. A basic lunch will be provided to pupils who do not have a packed lunch and ordered a school meal without sufficient credit on their school money account.

**Kitchen – Vacancy**

We have a fixed term vacancy in the kitchen up until Christmas, for a General Assistant. If any parent has experience working in a kitchen and is looking for a fixed term job then please send an email with a CV to [admin@holywell.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@holywell.herts.sch.uk)



## Assessment Weeks

The first week of assessments is now complete and we will continue next week. We will be updating pupils' attainment and progress results and setting them new targets. These will be discussed with pupils and then we will be having progress meetings with teachers to implement and review the interventions running in the school.

### Winners of The Golden Ticket for Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Congratulations to the winners of the Golden Tickets!



KEY STAGE 1 WINNERS	KEY STAGE 2 WINNERS
Ines – Sycamore	Uzair – Rowan
Shailah – Sycamore	Ismaeel – Cedar
Harvey – Sycamore	Bonnie-Lee (packed lunch) – Pine
Summer (packed lunch) – Hawthorn	Kushan – Rowan
Roberta – Hawthorn	Chloe – Cedar
Joseph – Hawthorn	Kian – Aspen
Selena – Hazel	

## Holywell School Open Mornings

### Reception Class - September 2019

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015 are due to start in Reception class September 2019.

- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 at 9:30am
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 2:00pm

### Nursery Class - September 2019

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 are due to start in Nursery class September 2019.

- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 9:30am
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 2:00pm

## Class Assembly

### Olympic Hall at 9:10am

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
Friday 23 November	Aspen	Road Safety Week
Friday 30 November	Hawthorn	St Andrews Day (30th November)
Friday 7 December	Hazel	Advent
Friday 14 December	Maple	Hanukkah

## Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday  
before half-term is 95 %

Nursery am	98%	Pine	89%
Blue base	86%	Mulberry	98%
Red base	93%	Cedar	98%
Maple	96%	Ash	91%
Sycamore	90%	Elder	94%
Hawthorn	87%	Chestnut	98%
Hazel	91%	Birch	96%
Aspen	90%	Elm	98%
Beech	97%	Rowan	95%

Whole school Attendance and Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:
<b>KS1</b> Maple	<b>KS1</b> Red Base
<b>KS2</b> Mulberry	<b>KS2</b> Chestnut

## Holywell Charter and Star Certificates!

Congratulations go to:

Class	Charter certificate	Star Learner of the Week award	Class	Charter certificate	Star Learner of the Week award
Blue Base	Grace	Luca	Mulberry	Ocean	Arshaq
Red Base	Harry	Sathuja	Cedar	Amina	Sagal
Sycamore	Taylor	Aavik	Elder	-	-
Maple	Poppy	Vishvahan	Ash	Natasha	Frank
Hawthorn	Anushka	Joseph	Chestnut	Enxhi	Zanib B
Hazel	Christoper	Amelia	Rowan	Dya	Nya
Pine	Husnah	Luqmaan	Elm	Alysha W	Luana
Beech	Haris	Megan	Birch	Asmaa	Akhil
Aspen	-	-			



# Dates for your Diary

## November 2018

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Year 1 Assessments continue

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Year 3 Verulamium Museum

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2018 – Reception Open Day – 9:15a.m

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2018 – Year 6 World War 1 Workshop

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Non Uniform Day – Please bring in bottles and jars

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018 – Christmas Decoration Day

## December 2018

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018 – Christmas Tree Decoration Day

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Reception Class 2019 Open Day at 2:00pm

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Non Uniform Day – Please bring in raffle prizes and 'nearly new'

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Early Years Christmas Performance – 11:15am

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Early Years Christmas Performance – 9:30am

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Key Stage 1 Concert to Parents – 6:00pm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert to Key Stage 1 Parents - 10:00am

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Key Stage 1 Christmas Concert to Key Stage 2 Parents – 2:00pm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2018 – Christmas Fete – 3:30pm to 5:00pm

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 – Nursery finishes at midday

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 – End of Autumn Term – school closes at 1:30pm

## January 2019

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 INSET Day

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 First Day of Term

# Holywell Term Dates

## For 2019-2020

### **AUTUMN TERM 2019**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 INSET Day (school closed for pupils)

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019 – first day of term

Half Term – Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019 – last day of term (school closes at 1:30pm)

### **SPRING TERM 2020**

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020 INSET Day – school closed for pupils

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020 – first day of term

Half Term – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2020 to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020 – last day of term (school closes at 1:30pm)

### **SUMMER TERM 2020**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020 INSET Day – school closed for pupils

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 – first day of term

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 – Bank Holiday

Half Term – Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020 to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30pm)

Hello everyone,

My name is Stefan and I come from Romania. I would like to tell a bit about myself. First of all I like listening to music with my parents. I have hobbies like tennis and probably basketball. I like what the cafeteria makes and especially the lasagne and burgers as well. I really like reading to find new vocabulary and use it in my writing. Also, I am starting to like football because I used not not like it.

I think I should be Deputy Head Boy because I follow the 6R's and help people whenever they need it and I don't play that much so anyone can come to me at anytime and anywhere in school.

Thank you Year 6 for voting for me. I appreciate this a lot.

Thank you for listening.

Stefan – Deputy Head Boy

Hello everyone,

My Name is Shiloh, this letter will explain about me and why I'm a good Deputy Head Girl.

Firstly I will explain why I'm a good Deputy Head Girl. I'm a good Deputy Head Girl because I'm well-spoken and confident. I am extremely supported by everyone about my opinions which makes me even more supportive of others opinions. I am also helpful to my teachers and peers. Additionally, I follow all of the six R's which leads me to be an above average student. I have got 3 Spirit to Succeed medals, 1 Spanish medal and 1 Sports certificate. I was also a Play Leader which made it easy to interact and play with little kids.

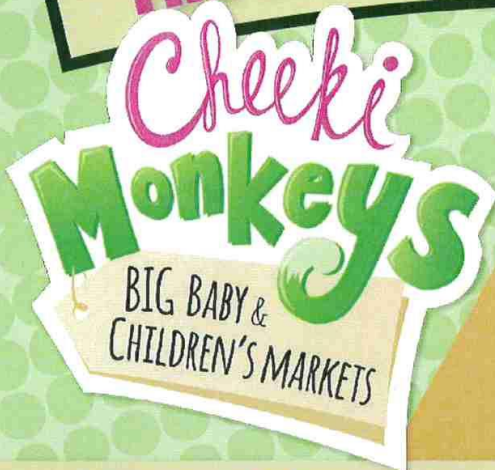
Now I will tell you about me, I'm a 10 year old who was born in a pool; yes I am a water baby.

I lived in South Africa for most of my life. I have a keen interest in snakes, reptiles and writing my own books. I have a dog and two kittens. I was born 16<sup>th</sup> August 2008. Thank you for taking time out of your day to read my letter.

Shiloh – Deputy Head Girl



# THE MUMMY OF ALL BABY EVENTS



- SAVE up to 90% on quality pre-loved goods!
- Clothes, toys, prams, cots, walkers, high chairs, books, playpens & much more...



**WATFORD**  
12-2pm, Saturdays

15th September 2018  
17th November 2018  
Entry £1, Kids FREE

**Christmas Market**  
15th December 2018  
Entry £1.50, Kids FREE

Wesfield Academy  
Tolpits Lane, WD18 6NS

- Declutter make some £££'s
- Pre-loved stalls £12.50+vat
- Keep 100% of your takings!
- Providers of children's entertainment, craft and business stalls welcome

Stalls sell out well ahead of the event  
Book **EARLY** to avoid disappointment!



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