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Holywell Primary School

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Headteacher: Mr C van Straaten

Friday 18th January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Spanish Trip – Year 5

On Wednesday this week, Mrs Gonzales-Brew met the parents of the children in Year 5 who will be visiting Hornachuelos, Córdoba in Spain for one week from Monday 3rd June 2019. This has been made possible as a result of funding we received from a project called Erasmus +.

The Erasmus Programme (*EuRopean Community Action Scheme for the Mobility of University Students*) is a [European Union](#) (EU) [student exchange programme](#) established in 1987 and has now evolved into [Erasmus+](#). This is a new programme combining all the EU's current schemes for education, training, youth and sport, which was started in January 2014. The project is part of a combined application by Bromet Primary School, Park Gate Primary School, Oxhey Wood Primary School and ourselves.

In addition to this we will also be applying for our international school award. As part of that the school will be taking part in 7 projects to gain the International school status. We will keep you updated on the projects and also how you, as parents, can support us.

Nursery Class September 2019

We would like to remind parents they can now apply for a place in our Nursery class for September 2019. Following our open morning this week, parents are reminded that more information about applications can be found on our website at

<http://www.holywell.herts.sch.uk/our-school/admissions/>

Applications need to be made to the school and the last day to do this is Friday 1st March 2019. We would like to remind you that in addition to your 15 hours provision we also offer WRAP Around Care and 30 hours free childcare.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings this term will be on Tuesday 12th February 2019 from 3:30pm to 6:00pm and Thursday 14th February 2019 from 5:00pm to 7:30pm. Any parents who are not able to see their teacher during these times for extra ordinary reasons will be given a date after Thursday 14th February 2019. This will ensure that all parents are given the same equal opportunities to see teachers and also means we can manage teachers workloads during a very busy time of term. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Rowan Class Assembly

Rowan class assembly scheduled for Friday 25th January 2019 has changed to "Holocaust Memorial Day". The children will now be learning about Burns Night in the phase assembly on Monday 21st January 2019.

Class Assembly - Olympic Hall at 9:10am

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
Friday 25th January 2019	Rowan	Holocaust Memorial Day
Friday 1st February 2019	Elm	Chinese New Year
Friday 8th February 2019	Birch	Internet Safety Day
Friday 15th February 2019	Elder	Valentine's Day
Friday 22nd February 2019	HALF TERM	HALF TERM
Friday 1st March 2019	Ash	St David's Day
Friday 8th March 2019	Chestnut	Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday
Friday 15th March 2019	Cedar	British Science Week
Friday 22nd March 2019	Mulberry	St Patrick's Day
Friday 29th March 2019	Aspen	Responsibility
Friday 5th April 2019	Pine	Easter

Winners of The Golden Ticket for Friday 18th January 2019

Congratulations to the winners of the Golden Tickets!



KEY STAGE 1 WINNERS	KEY STAGE 2 WINNERS
Hamithra – Maple	Temilola – Aspen
Corey-John – Maple	Sana – Cedar
Kashvee – Sycamore	Ruth – Ash
Maddison – Hazel	Maya – Mulberry
Kayla – Hazel	Reggie – Birch
Azlan - Hazel	Gail - Birch

Coffee Morning

On Tuesday mornings at 9:05am our Parent Support Worker Sam Word hosts a coffee morning for all parents. The coffee morning focus for this half term will include:

COFFEE MORNING

DATE	TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
22nd January 2019	Online safety	Advice to help you keep your child/children safe online
29th January 2019	Homework and Reading	Tips on how to support your child/children at home with their homework and reading
5th February 2019	Protective Behaviours	Learn a tool to use with your child/children that helps them identify feeling safe/unsafe and what they can do about it
12th February 2019	No coffee Morning	
19th February 2019	HALF TERM	
26th February 2019	NSPCC PANTS Rule	Learn the PANTS rule and encourage your child/children to use it as a child friendly guide to their personal safety
5th March 2019	Behaviour - Routines and Boundaries	A look at implementing a strategy to set firm boundaries and reduce challenging behaviour at home

Clubs

Morning and afternoon clubs have restarted this week. We still have spaces in the following clubs as listed below. Please contact the school office if you wish to book a place.

	AM	PM
Monday	Cricket	
Tuesday	Dodgeball	
Wednesday	Hockey	Tennis
Thursday	Table Tennis	
Friday	Basketball/Netball	Year 1 & Year 2 Football

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	Noah	Hannah	Mulberry	Adam	Jasmine
Red Base	Maisie	Khalil	Cedar	Eduarda	Yaavarthan
Sycamore	Sophie	Liban	Elder	Liliana	Nana
Maple	Benaiah	Samanta	Ash	Asim	Ital
Hawthorn	Grace	Sofia	Chestnut	Zafir	Thabo
Hazel	Indiana	Malwina	Rowan	Carey	Imani
Pine	Aahana	Hannah	Elm	Archie	Zuzanna
Beech	Cayden	Ithtisaam	Birch	Stefan	Shamika
Aspen	Arshaq	Mariya			

Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday before half-term is 94.2 %

Nursery am	90%	Pine	96%
Blue base	93%	Mulberry	91%
Red base	96%	Cedar	91%
Maple	95%	Ash	91%
Sycamore	97%	Elder	97%
Hawthorn	96%	Chestnut	98%
Hazel	92%	Birch	96%
Aspen	99%	Elm	93%
Beech	96%	Rowan	98%

Enrichment Days:

Monday 21st January 2019 – Martin Luther King Day
 Friday 25th January 2019 – Burns Night, Scotland
 Sunday 27th January 2019 – Holocaust Memorial Day
 Tuesday 5th February 2019 – Chinese New Year
 Tuesday 5th February 2019 – Internet Safety Day
 Thursday 7th February 2019 – Charles Dicken's birthday
 Tuesday 12th February 2019 – Darwin Day
 Thursday 14th February 2019 – Valentine's Day
 Friday 1st March 2019 – St David's Day
 Friday 1st March 2019 – Woman's History Month
 Tuesday 5th March 2019 – Shrove Tuesday
 Thursday 7th March 2019 – World Book Day
 Friday 8th March 2019 – International Woman's Day
 Friday 8th March 2019 – British Science Week
 Thursday 14th March 2019 – Pi Day
 Friday 17th March 2019 – St Patrick's Day
 Thursday 21st March 2019 – World Poetry Day
 Sunday 31st March 2019 – Mothering Sunday
 Tuesday 2nd April 2019 – World Autism Awareness Day
 Friday 19th April 2019 - Passover
 Sunday 21st April 2019 – Easter Sunday
 Tuesday 23rd April 2019 – Shakespeare Day
 Tuesday 23rd April 2019 – St George's Day

Whole school Attendance & Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:
KS1: Sycamore	KS1: Maple, Sycamore
KS2: Aspen	KS2: Chestnut, Birch



Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM

Tuesday 22nd January 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 22nd January 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Wednesday 23rd January 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Thursday 24th January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Friday 25th January 2019 – Year 6 Rowan class assembly – all parents invited
Tuesday 29th January 2019 – Year 6 Athletics competition at Queens' School
Tuesday 29th January 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 29th January 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Wednesday 30th January 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Wednesday 30th January 2019 – Year 5 Greek Day Workshops
Thursday 31st January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Friday 1st February 2019 – Year 6 Elm class assembly – all parents invited
Tuesday 5th February 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Tuesday 5th February 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 5th February 2019 – Governors meeting
Tuesday 5th February 2019 – SEN review meetings with parents
Tuesday 5th February 2019 – Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 6th February 2019 – Internet Safety Workshop – Bigfoot Theatre
Wednesday 6th February 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Wednesday 6th February 2019 – Some Year 2 and Year 3 pupils to attend a Science Day at Sacred Heart School
Wednesday 6th February 2019 – SEN review meetings with parents
Thursday 7th February 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Thursday 7th February 2019 – Internet Safety Workshop – Bigfoot Theatre
Thursday 7th February 2019 – SEN review meetings with parents
Friday 8th February 2019 – Year 6 Birch class assembly – all parents invited
Friday 8th February 2019 – SEN review meetings with parents
Friday 8th February 2019 – Internet Safety Workshop – Bigfoot Theatre
Monday 11th February 2019 to Friday 15th February 2019 inclusive – Feel Good Week
Monday 11th February 2019 to Friday 15th February 2019 – Festival of Learning Week
Tuesday 12th February 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 12th February 2019 – Parents Evening – 3:30pm to 6:00pm
Tuesday 12th February 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Wednesday 13th February 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Wednesday 13th February – 30 pupils to visit Rickmansworth Baptist Church to see performance from Purcell School
Thursday 14th February 2019 – Nursery & Reception – Owl Workshop and photographs
Thursday 14th February 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Thursday 14th February 2019 – Parents Evening – 5:00pm to 7:30pm
Friday 15th February 2019 – Year 5 Elder class assembly – all parents invited
Monday 18th February 2019 to Friday 22nd February 2019 inclusive Half Term
Monday 25th February 2019 – Last day to apply for Nursery September 2019
Tuesday 26th February 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 26th February 2019 – Year 4 Rapid fire cricket at Queens' School
Tuesday 26th February 2019 – Year 4 Drumming



Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM - Continued

Tuesday 26th February 2019 – Year 3 - Natural History Museum
Wednesday 27th February 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Thursday 28th February 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 1st March 2019 – Year 5 Ash class assembly – all parents invited
Friday 1st March 2019 – Year 7 September 2019 – Allocation Day
Friday 1st March 2019 – Last day to apply for Nursery class – September 2019
Monday 4th March 2019 to Friday 8th March 2019 – Assessment Week
Tuesday 5th March 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Tuesday 5th March 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Wednesday 6th March 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Thursday 7th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 8th March 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut class assembly – all parents invited
Friday 8th March 2019 – British Science Week starts
Monday 11th March 2019 and Tuesday 12th March 2019 – Year 4 Bikeability
Monday 11th March 2019 – Nursery September 2019 – Allocation Day
Tuesday 12th March 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Wednesday 13th March 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Thursday 14th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 15th March 2019 – Year 4 Cedar class assembly – all parents invited
Tuesday 19th March 2019 – Year 6 Netball at Queens' School
Tuesday 19th March 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Tuesday 19th March 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Wednesday 20th March 2019 – Year 6 Knebworth House (to be confirmed)
Wednesday 20th March 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele
Thursday 21st March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 22nd March 2019 – Year 4 Mulberry class assembly – all parents invited
Tuesday 26th March 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 26th March 2019 - Year 4 Athletics at Watford Grammar School for Girls
Tuesday 26th March 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Tuesday 26th March 2019 – Governors meeting
Wednesday 27th March 2019 - Nursery & Reception – Ark Farm workshop
Wednesday 27th March 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele
Thursday 28th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 29th March 2019 – Year 3 class assembly – all parents invited
Monday 1st April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019 – Festival of Learning Week
Monday 1st April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019 inclusive Bikeability Level 2 Level 3 – Year 5
Tuesday 2nd April 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited
Tuesday 2nd April 2019 – Year 4 Drumming
Wednesday 3rd April 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons
Thursday 4th April 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 5th April 2019 – Year 3 Pine class assembly – all parents invited
Friday 5th April 2019 – Nursery finishes at midday
Friday 5th April 2019 – End of Spring Term – school closes at 1:30pm
Tuesday 16th April 2019 – Reception September 2019 – Allocation Day

SUMMER TERM

Tuesday 23rd April 2019 – INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Wednesday 24th April 2019 – Pupils back to school



WATFORD

Holiday Club

for children aged
3-12 years

Holywell Primary School

Tolpits Lane, Watford,
Hertfordshire, WD18 6LL

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Telephone: 07892 721317

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- For ages 3 - 12 years
- Open from 8.00am - 6.00pm
- 2019 opening dates:
18th February - 22nd February
8th April - 19th April
27th May - 31st May
- £35 for a full day
- £32 for a sibling
- £20 for a half day
- £160 for a full week

Monday 18th February - Friday 22nd February

3 - 7 Years

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	AM	AM	AM	AM
Scavenger Hunt	Creative Cooks	Great Outdoors	Cupcake Heaven	Jewellery Making
Athletics	Mini Olympics	Harry Potter Experience	Mission Impossible	Imagineering
PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Messy Mayhem	Fun with Face Paints	Beauty School	Great Outdoors	Fun Day Friday
Dodgeball	Football Camp	Nerf Challenge	Beauty School	

8 - 12 Years

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	AM	AM	AM	AM
Scavenger Hunt	Master Chef	Great Outdoors	Cupcake Heaven	Jewellery Making
Athletics	Olympic Challenge	Harry Potter Experience	Mission Impossible	Imagineering
PM	PM	PM	PM	PM
Crafty Creations	Fun with Face Paints	Beauty School	Hockey	Fun Day Friday
Dodgeball	Football Camp	Nerf Challenge	Pottery	

Our timetables change every week so please check the website for latest activity timetables



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Classes have now started!

Day	Subject	Year	Time
Tuesday	Maths	Yr 3 & 4	3.30pm - 4.20pm
Tuesday	Maths	Yr 5	4.30pm - 5.20pm
Thursday	Verbal Reasoning	Yr 3 & 4	3.30pm - 4.20pm
Thursday	Verbal Reasoning	Yr 5	4.30pm - 5.20pm

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JUNIOR SINGING DAY

Tuesday 5th February 2019

At
Watford School of Music
Clarendon Muse
70 Rickmansworth Road
Watford
Hertfordshire
WD18 7JA

Cost: £20

PLEASE APPLY BY : TUESDAY 29th JANUARY 2019

Please turn over for details:



September 2018

JUNIOR SINGING DAY

Tuesday 5th February 2019

Watford School of Music is running a **Junior Singing Day** for all children who enjoy singing and are at primary school in Year 3 and above. Participants will sing songs of many different styles and genres. The day will be led by our team of singing specialists. Please see the details below:

Venue: Watford School of Music, The Clarendon Muse, 70 Rickmansworth Road, Watford, WD18 7JA*

Phone Number: 01923 225531 **Email:** watfordmusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

Time: 9.30am – 3.00pm **Registration:** from 9.00am **Cost:** £20.00

Concert for family and friends: 2.45pm in the Concert Hall

(Please make cheques payable to '**Hertfordshire County Council**' and return, with the reply slip, to the above address*).

Closing Date for applications: Tuesday 29th January 2019

Places on the course are limited so please apply as soon as possible.

Please note that in cases of hardship, no child will be refused a place; remission of fees is possible if applications are made in good time.

Please assume that your application has been accepted unless we contact you.

Children will need a packed lunch and school uniform is not required.

Parking and dropping off is not allowed on the Watford Grammar School for Boys site. It is also difficult to park in the streets around the site. Please leave plenty of time for parking.

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Junior Singing Day

I enclose a cheque for **£20.00** made payable to **Hertfordshire County Council** for the **Watford School of Music Junior Singing Day** on **Tuesday 5th February 2019**.

Name (please print)..... Year Group.....

Home Tel. No.....Daytime Tel. No.....

School..... Headteacher Name.....

Headteacher's Signature..... (Applications will not be accepted without Headteacher's signature)

Parent's Name (please print)..... Parent's Signature.....

Please inform us if your child has any medical conditions we should know about

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JUNIOR BRASS DAY

Tuesday 5th March 2019

At
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Clarendon Muse
70 Rickmansworth Road
Watford
Hertfordshire
WD18 7JA

Cost: £20

PLEASE APPLY BY : TUESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2019

Please turn over for details:



September 2018

JUNIOR BRASS DAY

Tuesday 5th March 2019

Watford School of Music is running a **Junior Brass Day** for all brass players at primary school in Year 3 and above. Please see the details below:

Standard: at least 2 terms playing experience **Venue:** Watford School of Music, The Clarendon Muse, 70 Rickmansworth Road, Watford, WD18 7JA* **Phone Number:** 01923 225531

Email: watfordmusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk

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Junior Brass Day

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Name (please print)..... Year Group.....

Instrument: Grade/Time learning: Teacher:

Home Tel. No.....Daytime Tel. No.....

School..... Headteacher Name.....

Headteacher's Signature..... (Applications will not be accepted without Headteacher's signature)

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