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Holywell Primary School

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Friday 20th April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Warmer Weather

Welcome back to everyone after the Easter break. The long awaited sunshine has finally arrived after a very long winter. Pupils are allowed to wear sun hats outside during playtimes to help protect them from the heat. Please also remember to send your child in with a water bottle; the bottles can be refilled during the day from the water fountains.

Refurbishment Work

A lot of work took place at school over the Easter holiday. With support from the local authority we have installed air conditioning units in the Key Stage 1 block. The building has had problems with overheating since it was built. Hopefully this will help to alleviate the build-up of heat experienced in the summer months.

We have also sanded and re-coated the floors in the Key Stage 1 Hall and Olympic Hall. This has had an impressive impact on the floor and they look like new. As per the school uniform policy pupils will only be allowed to wear plimsolls or go barefoot in the halls as all other shoes mark the floors. For outside PE lessons pupils may wear trainers or plimsolls.

Parking

We have had lots of complaints from our local neighbours about inconsiderate parking and rude behaviour from our parents during our first week back at school. The main problem seems to be around Tolpits Lane, the grass bank on Croxley View and the car park for Redding House. Can I please ask parents to consider the neighbours and other road users when dropping or collecting their children from school. It causes a lot of frustration and angst but most of all creates very dangerous road conditions for our pupils who walking around in the local area.

Can I ask parents **not** to -

- Park on the grass bank by Croxley view
- Park in the car park of Redding House (this is for residents only)
- Park on the kerb of Tolpits lane

We had a few near misses and if we do not work together on this an accident will be unavoidable. With the warmer weather it is a good opportunity to make use of the car park at King George V Playing Fields. It is a lovely walk from there through our wildlife area. The Site Manager has been out a few mornings this week and has been directing parents from areas where we don't want them to park. Please work with us on the safety of others and ultimately for the safety of our pupils.



Music Lessons

On Wednesday pupils had a taster session during an assembly on Cornet lessons which was delivered by the Hertfordshire Music School who are based at Watford Grammar School for Boys. Many pupils have enthusiastically expressed an interest in taking up Cornet lessons. Please discuss this with your child and look at the information on the School Money system at:

<http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk>



Friday Class Assembly -

Olympic Hall at 9:10am:

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
Friday 27th April 2018	Aspen	Rights
Friday 4th May 2018	Beech	British Values
Friday 11th May 2018	Mulberry	Ramadan
Friday 18th May 2018	Hazel	6Rs
Friday 25th May 2018	Willow	6Rs
Half Term		
Friday 8th June 2018	Hawthorn	Anti-Bullying
Friday 15th June 2018	Oak	Eid al Fitre
Friday 22nd June 2018	Blue	Father's Day
Friday 29th June 2018	Maple	World Refugee Day - 20th June 2018
Friday 6th July 2018	Hazel	Stranger Danger
Friday 13th July 2018	Sycamore	NSPCC
Friday 20th July 2018	Red	Friendship and Award Assembly

Winners of The Golden Ticket for Friday 20th April 2018

Congratulations to the winners of the Golden Tickets!



KEY STAGE 1 WINNERS	KEY STAGE 2 WINNERS
Carolina – Hazel	Joshua – Beech
Prithvi – Maple	Funmi – Mulberry
Laxshan – Oak	Dani – Cedar
Fozia – Sycamore	Salim – Rowan
Stefan – Sycamore	James – Chestnut
Lorenzo – Hawthorn	Leandro – Elder
Hannah – Willow	Bianca – Birch

Parent Information Sessions – Summer Term

Just pop in and join us for a coffee and discussion about the topic of focus for the week. No need to book in advance.

Where: Holywell conference room

When: Tuesday 9:00am

Who: Sam Ward and members from Holywell Primary School

Date	Session focus	Session Leader
Tuesday 24th April 2018	Year 6 SATs. Will answer any queries, questions or concerns you may have about the upcoming tests.	Sam Ward and Mrs S Alexander
Tuesday 1st May 2018	Children's Wellbeing. How to help if your child suffers from low self-esteem, anxiety or lack of resilience.	Sam Ward
Tuesday 8th May 2018	Online Safety. Do you know what your child is doing online? How to keep them safe.	Sam Ward
Tuesday 15th May 2018	Protective Behaviours. How to help your child recognise when they feel unsafe and provide strategies to deal with this.	Sam Ward
Tuesday 22nd May 2018	Phonics. How you can help support phonics development for reading and writing.	Sam Ward, Miss V Tetley and Miss A Hampton
HALF TERM		
Tuesday 5th June 2018	Puberty. Strategies to be able to discuss this sensitive topic with your child.	Sam Ward
Tuesday 12th June 2018	Transition Nursery to Reception. How you can help prepare your Nursery aged child for Reception.	Sam Ward and Miss V Tetley
Tuesday 19th June 2018	Transition Reception to Key Stage 1. How you can help prepare your child for Year 1	Sam Ward and Mrs J Hewett
Tuesday 26th June 2018	Transition Year 2 to Year 3. How you can help prepare your child for Year 3	Sam Ward and Mr M Keller
Tuesday 3rd July 2018	Transition Year 6 to Year 7. How you can help prepare your child for Year 7.	Sam Ward and Mrs S Alexander
Tuesday 10th July 2018	Money management and budgeting tips. How to make your money go further.	Sam Ward
Tuesday 17th July 2018	Coffee and farewell. Open forum to reflect on the year, ask any questions, celebrate and look forward to the summer holidays.	Sam Ward



Dates for your Diary

APRIL 2018

Monday 23rd April – All clubs restart
 Monday 23rd April to Friday 27th April – Year 4 Bikeability
 Tuesday 24th April - Year 4 Tennis at Queens' School
 Wednesday 25th April – Year 4 PE Challenge Cup
 Monday 30th April to Wednesday 2nd May Year 1 to Year 6 Skateability
 Thursday 26th April – Aspen swimming
 Monday 30th April – Year 1 Challenge Cup at Chater Infants School - Humanities

MAY 2018

Thursday 3rd May – Polling Day, Local Elections – School Open
 Thursday 3rd May – Aspen swimming
 Friday 4th May to Wednesday 9th May – Book Fair
 Friday 4th May – Reception Health Screening
 Monday 7th May – May Bank Holiday
 Wednesday 9th May – Class Photographs
 Wednesday 9th May – Year 4 Challenge Cup at Beechfield School – Music
 Thursday 10th May – Aspen swimming
 Monday 14th May to Thursday 17th May – Year 6 SATS
 Tuesday 15th May – Year 1 Mini Olympics at Queens School
 Thursday 17th May – Aspen swimming
 Monday 21st May to Friday 25th May – Year 2 SATS
 Monday 21st May to Friday 25th May – EYFS Assessment
 Tuesday 22nd May – Year 6 Mixed Kwik Cricket at Watford Boys' School
 Thursday 25th May – Aspen swimming
 Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June – Half Term

JUNE 2018

Monday 4th June to Friday 8th June Festival of Learning Week (not Year 6)
 Monday 4th June – Year 6 Isle of Wight
 Monday 4th June – Year 6 – Wenzel's Bakery
 Tuesday 5th June – Year 6 Isle of Wight
 Tuesday 5th June – Year 6 Picnic and fun at the park
 Tuesday 5th June – Year 4 Tri Golf at Queens' School
 Wednesday 6th June – Year 6 Isle of Wight
 Wednesday 6th June – Year 6 Project day in school
 Thursday 7th June – Year 3 Pine swimming
 Thursday 7th June – Year 6 Isle of Wight
 Thursday 7th June – Year 6 Wenzel's Bakery
 Friday 8th June – Year 6 Isle of Wight
 Friday 8th June – Year 6 Whipnade Zoo
 Monday 11th June to Friday 15th June – Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics Screening
 Tuesday 12th June – Year 2 Dance Festival at Queens' School
 Tuesday 12th June – Year 3 Challenge Cup at Highwood School
 Thursday 14th June – Year 3 Pine swimming
 Monday 18th June to Friday 22nd June – Whole school assessment week
 Monday 18th June – Year 1 and Year 2 Phonics Screening catch up
 Tuesday 19th June – Year 6 Girls Kwik Cricket at Watford Boys School
 Tuesday 19th June – Year 5 RE Challenge Cup at Chater Junior School

Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday last week for this academic year is 92 %

Nursery am	86%	Beech	96%
Blue base	82%	Pine	91%
Red base	77%	Mulberry	83%
Maple	91%	Cedar	91%
Oak	87%	Rowan	96%
Sycamore	96%	Ash	93%
Hawthorn	95%	Elder	98%
Hazel	89%	Chestnut	94%
Willow	96%	Birch	97%
Aspen	97%	Elm	97%

Whole school Attendance and Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:
KS1 Sycamore & Willow	KS1 Red Base
KS2 Birch	KS2 Chestnut



Dates for your Diary - continued

JUNE 2018 – Continued...

Wednesday 20th June – Parents meeting for children starting Nursery
September 2018 - 9:30 am

Thursday 21st June – Parents meeting for children starting Reception
September 2018 - 9:30am

Thursday 21st June – Year 3 Pine swimming

Monday 25th June – Assembly NED – Never give up, Encourage others,
Do your best – 2:15pm

Tuesday 26th June – Year 3 Watford Museum

Tuesday 27th June – Year 2 Challenge Cup at Grove Academy –
Geography

Thursday 28th June – Provisional Sports Day

Thursday 28th June – Year 3 Pine swimming

Friday 29th June – Provisional EYFS Sports Day

JULY 2018

Tuesday 3rd July – Singing Celebration at 9:00am

Tuesday 3rd July – Singing Celebration at 1:30pm

Tuesday 3rd July – Year 5 Athletics at Watford Boys School

Wednesday 4th July – Year 4 Rowan Roald Dahl Museum

Wednesday 4th July – Year 6 Challenge Cup at Central School

Thursday 5th July – Year 4 Cedar and Mulberry Roald Dahl Museum

Thursday 5th July – Year 3 Pine swimming

Thursday 5th July – Reserve Sports Day

Friday 6th July – Reserve EYFS Sports Day

Wednesday 11th July – Summer Concert 3:30pm

Thursday 12th July – Year 3 Pine swimming

Thursday 12th July – Moving Up Day – Year 6 out at their new schools

Friday 13th July – Year 6 End of Year Prom

Monday 16th July to Friday 20th July – No afterschool clubs

Tuesday 17th July – Year 6 Performance – Dress rehearsal to KS1

Tuesday 17th July – Parents Evening 3:30pm to 6:00pm

Wednesday 18th July – Year 6 Performance – Dress rehearsal to KS2

Thursday 19th July – International/Community Day

Thursday 19th July – Year 3 Pine swimming

Thursday 19th July – Year 6 Performance to Parents at 6:30pm

Monday 23rd July – Nursery Assembly to parents (provisional)

Monday 23rd July – Year 6 Performance to Parents at 2:00pm

Monday 23rd July – Year 6 Leavers Afternoon – 3:30pm to 4:30pm

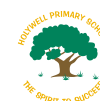
Monday 23rd July – Award Assembly at 9:10am – Attendance, Spirit to
Succeed medals, Sport, Spanish, Art

Tuesday 24th July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly at 9:10am

Tuesday 24th July – Nursery finishes at midday – no afternoon session

Tuesday 24th July – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30pm)

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	Khaira	Alexander	Beech	Joshua	Esa
Red Base	Rebeka	Rayan	Mulberry	-	-
Sycamore	Maddison	Amin	Rowan	Chloe	Anastazja
Maple	Kevin	Roberta	Cedar	Frank	Zainab
Oak	Safaa	Koffi	Elder	Zuzanna	Akhil
Willow	Nicola	Richard	Ash	Gail	Aleena
Hazel	Ilaria	Daud	Chestnut	Nalini	Dayana
Hawthorn	Sara	Ayra	Birch	Ebou	Adams
Pine	Sabreen	Romaine	Elm	Dion	Sarayu
Aspen	Areeba	Zamin			



Tilly's Dance & Yoga Factory

SUMMER TERM 2018

HOLYWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL
MONDAY AFTERSCHOOL
YOGA CLUB
All years welcome
10 WEEK TERM £51.00
(sibling discount available)

COME & JOIN ME FOR SOME FUN & RELAXATION

YOGA inspired stories, YOGA acro, exercising our bodies and minds, YOGA games, fun YOGA poses, YOGA jenga and learn how to relax and breath!

30th APRIL
14th, 21st MAY
4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
JUNE
2nd, 9th, 16th,
JULY

3.15-4.00pm



Namaste.



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