



We are a learning community with the spirit to succeed

Holywell Primary School

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Friday 21st December 2018

I would like to thank all parents and carers for their continual support throughout the Autumn Term. There has been lots of activities, trips and visitors to school and we take pride in the wider curriculum opportunities we offer pupils of Holywell Primary School. Thank you also to all the teachers and support staff for their hard work throughout the term. We are looking forward to welcoming the pupils back on the 8th January 2019. Teachers will return to school on Monday 7th January 2019 for training. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a good break and season's greetings!



Nativity

I would like to extend huge thanks to all the parents who attended our Nativity plays for Early Years and Key Stage 1. Thank you to all the parents for their help with the children's costumes. We had a good turn out to all our performances. The children really enjoy seeing their parents at these performances and it helps them through their performances.



Christmas Fete

Thank you to all the parents who supported us at the Christmas Fete. We managed to raise over £1063.00. On Thursday we made a donation to the Watford Food Bank of the food that did not sell.



Clubs

There are still spaces available for our morning and afternoon clubs in Spring Term. Please log on to School Money system and book your places. Just a reminder, there are no clubs during the first and last week of school terms.

Cornet Lessons

We also have spaces available for Cornet tuition. This is a great opportunity for pupils to learn specialist music skills at an advanced level. Lessons are delivered by the Hertfordshire Music Service. The School of Music is based at Watford Boys Grammar School.



Nursery Open Morning and Afternoon

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

We have an Open Morning and an Open Afternoon arranged for

- Wednesday 9th January 2019 at 9:30am
- Wednesday 16th January 2019 at 2:00pm

Parents are reminded that we will continue to offer 30 hours childcare as well as Wrap Around care for the parents who do not qualify for 30 hours free and wish their child to attend all day. More information about this can be found on the school website in the admissions section.

Save the Children – Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for your support last Friday, we raised £291.86



Congratulations to the winners of the PE Star Learner Certificates

PE Star Learner Certificate	
Sycamore	Robert
Maple	Rebeka
Hawthorn	KJ
Hazel	Indianna
Pine	Humzah
Aspen	Kian
Beech	Luigi
Mulberry	Maya
Cedar	Eduarda
Elder	Eliza
Ash	Nathan
Chestnut	Kaiyah
Rowan	Imani
Elm	Nalini
Birch	Cecilia



Congratulation to the winners of the Spirit to Succeed Medals

SPIRIT TO SUCCEED		
Nursery	Jay Jay	Isabelle
Nursery	Zakariya	Amelia
Reception Red	Khalil	Naomi
Reception Blue	Jason	Lily-Rae
Sycamore	Amira	Ritesh
Maple	Qasim	Stefi
Hawthorn	Samuel	Kevin
Hazel	Daniel	Angel
Pine	Luqmaan	Hannah
Aspen	Patrycja	Lorenzo
Beech	Haris	Franklyn
Mulberry	Bright	Donnell
Cedar	Sana	Maleehah
Elder	Liliana	Anjali
Ash	Maher	Olivia
Chestnut	Falak	Yasmin
Rowan	Aleena	Ahmed
Elm	Nethmi	Prasun
Birch	Neo	Aisha

Whole school Attendance and Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:
KS1 Blue Base	KS1 Hazel
KS2 Chestnut	KS2 Aspen and Beech

Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday
21st December 2018 is 95 %

Nursery am	92.7%	Pine	94.5%
Blue base	99%	Mulberry	93.2%
Red base	97.7%	Cedar	96.8%
Maple	95.4%	Ash	93.8%
Sycamore	92.1%	Elder	96.3%
Hawthorn	98.5%	Chestnut	99.3%
Hazel	90%	Birch	98%
Aspen	89.5%	Elm	96.9%
Beech	98.6%	Rowan	94.2%



Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM

January 2019



Monday 7th January 2019 INSET Day
Tuesday 8th January 2019 First Day of Term
Wednesday 9th January 2019 – Nursery September 2019 – Open Morning at 9:30am
Thursday 10th January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Tuesday 15th January 2019 – last day to apply for place in Reception Class September 2019
Wednesday 16th January 2019 – Nursery September 2019 – Open Afternoon at 2:00pm
Thursday 17th January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Thursday 24th January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Wednesday 30th January 2019 – Greek Workshop
Thursday 31st January 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Thursday 2nd February 2019 – Year 3 Beech swimming
Monday 11th Friday 2019 to Friday 15th February 2019 inclusive – Feel Good Week

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 – Year 3 - Natural History Museum
Thursday 28th February 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Friday 1st March 2019 – Year 7 September 2019 – Allocation Day
Monday 4th March 2019 – Nursery September 2019 – Allocation Day
Thursday 7th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Monday 11th March 2019 and Tuesday 12th March 2019 – Year 4 Bikeability
Thursday 14th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Wednesday 20th March 2019 – Year 6 Knebworth House (to be confirmed)
Thursday 21st March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Thursday 28th March 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming
Monday 1st April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019 inclusive Bikeability Level 2
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