Friday 26th January 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

Gymnastics
A number of our Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 pupils attended a gymnastics competition at Queens’ School this week. Our pupils performed individual and team routines and competed against other local schools. Well done to everyone involved.

Athletics
A number of pupils in Year 5 and 6 attended an athletics competition this week at Queens’ School. Well done to everyone involved on the day.

Trips
A number of trips and workshops have been arranged to take place at the end of this half term. Yesterday I looked at the class lists and there are large numbers of parents/carers who have not yet paid. Can I please ask all parents to stick to the deadlines set out for payment of trips and workshops. Unfortunately if payment for these activities is not made by the deadline then we will have no choice but to cancel the planned events, as the school is not in a position to pay funds towards these activities. Thank you to all those parents who have paid.

Festival of Learning
Next week is our Festival of Learning week. We look forward to welcoming parents into our sessions and the opportunity to share with parents what the children have been learning. Some dates and times have been altered; please check the diary dates below.

Nursery – September 2018
We would like to remind you that we are taking applications for children starting in Nursery in September 2018. We invite you to check our website for information on how to apply.

www.holywell.herts.sch.uk

Twitter
Please follow us on Twitter: @PrimaryHolywell
Parent/Carer Consultation Evening
Please remember to return your parent/carer consultation form to enable your child’s teacher to allocate a time either on Tuesday 6th February 2018 – 3:30pm to 6:00pm or Thursday 8th February 2018 – 5:00pm to 7:30pm

Friday Class Assembly:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Olympic Hall at 9:10am</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Friday 2nd February 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 9th February 2018</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>HALF TERM</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Friday 23rd February 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 2nd March 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 9th March 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 16th March 2018</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday 23rd March 2018</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Winners of The Golden Ticket for Friday 12th January 2018

Congratulations to the winners of the Golden Tickets!

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>KEY STAGE 1 WINNERS</th>
<th>KEY STAGE 2 WINNERS</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Saffa – Oak</td>
<td>Kasandra – Chestnut</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Margarida – Willow</td>
<td>Mariam – Beech</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Karra – Oak</td>
<td>Rebecca – Rowan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Amin – Sycamore</td>
<td>Nethmi – Ash</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Azlan – Sycamore</td>
<td>Salim – Rowan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Natasa – Oak</td>
<td>Zainab – Mulberry</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Maher – Rowan</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Parent Information Sessions – Spring 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

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Session focus</th>
<th>Session Leader</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 30th January 2018</td>
<td>Recognising possible additional needs for pupils in Early Years</td>
<td>Sam Ward</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 6th February 2018</td>
<td>How to manage difficult behaviour</td>
<td>Sam Ward</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 27th February 2018</td>
<td>How to support your child in Maths and homework</td>
<td>Sam Ward, Miss Patrick and Mrs Alexander</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 6th March 2018</td>
<td>Year 6 Transition – invitation to all Year 6 parents</td>
<td>Sam Ward, Mrs Alexander</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 13th March 2018</td>
<td>Emotional Wellbeing for children</td>
<td>Sam Ward</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 20th March 2018</td>
<td>Health Eating</td>
<td>Sam Ward</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday 27th March 2018</td>
<td>Things to do in the holidays</td>
<td>Sam Ward</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Charter and Star Certificates this week, congratulations to:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Charter certificate</th>
<th>Star learner of the week award</th>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Charter certificate</th>
<th>Star learner of the week award</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Blue Base</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Beech</td>
<td>Diana</td>
<td>Dylan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Red Base</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Mulberry</td>
<td>Rahul</td>
<td>Marusia</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sycamore</td>
<td>Rhyley</td>
<td>Indiana</td>
<td>Rowan</td>
<td>Kushal</td>
<td>Oliver</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Maple</td>
<td>Roberta</td>
<td>Daniel</td>
<td>Cedar</td>
<td>Hayden</td>
<td>Asim</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Oak</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Elder</td>
<td>Carey</td>
<td>Irinel</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Willow</td>
<td>Yasmine</td>
<td>Franklyn</td>
<td>Ash</td>
<td>Gabby</td>
<td>Aleena</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hazel</td>
<td>Luqmaan</td>
<td>Hussain</td>
<td>Chestnut</td>
<td>Imarath</td>
<td>Ayman</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hawthorn</td>
<td>Lois</td>
<td>Wally</td>
<td>Birch</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pine</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>Elm</td>
<td>Shagiththi</td>
<td>Torell</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Aspen</td>
<td>Natalie</td>
<td>Miguel</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
TERM DATES FOR 2018-2019

AUTUMN TERM 2018

Monday 3\textsuperscript{rd} September 2018 INSET Day – school closed for pupils

Tuesday 4\textsuperscript{th} September 2018 – first day of term

Half Term – Monday 29\textsuperscript{th} October 2018 to Friday 2\textsuperscript{nd} November 2018

Friday 21\textsuperscript{st} December 2018 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30pm)

SPRING TERM 2019

Monday 7\textsuperscript{th} January 2019 INSET Day – school closed for pupils

Tuesday 8\textsuperscript{th} January 2019 – first day of term

Half Term – Monday 18\textsuperscript{th} February 2019 to Friday 22\textsuperscript{nd} February 2019

Friday 5\textsuperscript{th} April – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30pm)

SUMMER TERM 2019

Tuesday 23\textsuperscript{rd} April 2019 INSET Day – school closed for pupils

Wednesday 24\textsuperscript{th} April 2019 – first day of term

Monday 6\textsuperscript{th} May 2019 – Bank Holiday

Half Term – Monday 27\textsuperscript{th} May 2019 to Friday 31\textsuperscript{st} May 2019

Friday 19\textsuperscript{th} July 2019 – last day term (school finishes at 1:30pm)
Armed Forces Covenant
Christmas Art Competition

Hertfordshire Armed Forces Covenant Board wishes to thank

Holywell Primary School

For bringing Christmas Cheer to Officers and Aircrew of Royal Air Force at the start of their centenary year

December 2017

Wing Cmdr Mark Chulo
Station Commander, RAF Henlow

Cllr Terry Douris
Chair, Hertfordshire Armed Forces Covenant Board
THANK YOU!

Holywell Primary School

...for raising a fantastic

£232.72

to help disadvantaged children and young people across the UK

Receipt no.
GFM13847 0324662
00345

LLOYDS BANK
Proud Schools Partner
Digital 5 A day
Helping children and young people lead healthy online lives

The amount of time that children are online is increasing. A new campaign, led by The Children’s Commissioner, called Digital 5 A Day has been launched to help parents encourage their children to have a good digital diet which includes a balance of being connected, active and creative, giving to others and being mindful. The Children’s Commissioner stated, ‘You wouldn’t let an 8-year-old eat a double cheeseburger and fries every day of the year, so it’s important children aren’t left to use smart phones, computers or tablets without agreed boundaries..... So our 5 A Day guide promotes a positive relationship with technology rather than being too restrictive and is actually based on the NHS’s five steps to mental well-being. We’ve placed those in a digital context and think it gives parents guidance and children room to explore and learn while keeping them safe. Importantly, it encourages them to do so themselves.’

The Digital 5 A Day: A Guide For Children and Young People can be accessed here:
bit.ly/childscommissioner_digital_5_a_day

---

Herts for Learning

@HertsLearning
Facebook HertsforLearning

01438 845111
hertsforlearning.co.uk
Sarahah, the anonymous messaging app

Sarahah meaning ‘honesty’ in Arabic, is a free social media app that many teenagers are using to pass on anonymous, unmonitored comments to each other. The app has approximately 300 million users. Users can comment on friends’ or strangers’ profiles without them identifying who has posted the message. The app lets users create a profile and works as an add-on to the popular social networking app Snapchat. Due to the fact that all comments are anonymous, it’s very easy for people to say mean and hurtful things without any repercussions. As with other anonymous apps there is the possibility that the Sarahah app could be used to bully or harass others. Sarahah is not recommended for children’s use and it comes with an app store rating of 17.

Read Common Sense Media’s review of Sarahah here:
bit.ly/commonssensemedia_sarahah

Keeping safe when playing online games

Online gaming can be a fun and creative activity for all the family. However, it is essential that parents/carers help children to be aware of the possible risks and help build the skills and knowledge to enable them to enjoy gaming in a safe way. Childnet has published a free leaflet that has a wealth of advice to help parents/carers ensure children are accessing games in a positive and safe way.

bit.ly/childnet_onlinegaming_introduction_for_parents

Be Share Aware

It can be very hard for parents to keep track of what children are doing and accessing online. The NSPCC have teamed up with O2 to help parents/carers talk to children about staying safe in the digital world. The films ‘Lucy and the Boy’ and ‘I saw your Willie’ may help you start a conversation about the dangers and consequences of sharing inappropriate photographs and videos online.

You can access the films here:
bit.ly/nspcc_shareaware
Snapchat Streaks
Is this harmless fun?

Snapchat is one of the most popular social media apps used by young people to share photos and videos with friends. A Snapchat ‘streak’ is when you and a Snapchat friend send and return a snap to each other within a 24 hour period. A number and an emoji appears beside a Snapchat friend’s name corresponding to the number of days in a row a new picture or video has been sent back and forth. You must Snapchat your friend within 24 hours of receiving the last Snap to keep the streak going. Young people can be pressured into keeping a streak going and when the streak does stop it can cause problems. The NSPCC told Newsround that they’ve received a number of calls from upset and worried young people because their Snapchat streak has ended. One young person spoke with the NSPCC because she couldn’t get on to wifi that day she was worried that she would be bullied and that people would think she didn’t like them anymore.

Whilst children can have great fun with friends using the streaks, parents/carers should remind children of the stress it could cause and help them question whether it is a true measure of friendship.

Top tips for having a conversation with children about cyberbullying

Discussing cyberbullying with your child may seem very daunting but the best way to support them is to encourage them to have open and honest conversations with you about their online life.

Check out Childnet’s website for ideas at: bit.ly/childnet_6_tips_cyberbullying

- Know how to start the conversation
- Let them talk
- Don’t deny access to technology
- Let them know if you plan to talk to their school
- Let them know you are always available to talk

Herts for Learning
@HertsLearning
HertsforLearning
01438 845111
hertsforlearning.co.uk
FEBRUARY
Multi Sports & Activity Camps

Get your kids out of the house and bring them along to play, learn and make friends!

Boys and girls are invited from the ages of 4 to 11

Join us for games, competitions, penalty shoutouts, King of the ring, tournaments, earn certificates, individual prizes, and much more fun.

Venue 1
Holywell School (High View Entrance)
94 Tolpits Lane
Watford, WD18 6NU
Ref - FEB1
Monday 12th - Friday 16th Feb
9am-4pm Multi Sports

Venue 2
Cassiobury Infants School
Bellmount Wood Avenue
Watford, WD17 3PE
Ref - FEB2
Monday 12th - Friday 16th Feb
9am-4pm Multi Sports

Venue 3
Cassiobury Infants School
Bellmount Wood Avenue
Watford, WD17 3PE
Ref - FEB3
Monday 12th - Friday 16th Feb
8am-6pm Arts & Crafts, Gardening, Cooking, Sports & so much more
Contact Tina on 07462 525 922 or email nascotwood@xtra-time.co.uk (8am-6pm)

Venue 4
Harvey Road Primary School
Harvey Road, Croxley Green
Watford, WD3 3BN
Ref - FEB4
Monday 12th - Friday 16th Feb
8am-5:30pm Arts & Crafts, Gardening, Cooking, Sports & so much more

Venue 5
Woodhall School
Woodhall Lane
Watford, WD19 6QX
Ref - FEB5
Wednesday 14th
9am-4pm Multi Sports

Venue 6
St Mary's C of E Church
Church Street
Rickmansworth, WD3 1JB
Ref - FEB6
Monday 12th - Wednesday 14th Feb
9am-4pm Multi Sports

For more information please contact George
07746 945 903 / 1sttouchcoaching@gmail.com
www.xtra-time.co.uk
Pricing & Payment - Prices are per week
8 am - 6pm: £25 per day  Activity Camp includes child's breakfast, drink, snacks and tea.
9am - 4pm: 1 Day: £20  2 Days: £35  3 Days: £45  4 Days: £55  5 Days: £60
PARENTS MUST SEND IN A PACKED LUNCH WITH THEIR CHILDREN FOR ALL BOOKINGS

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE £

PAYMENT METHOD: Please tick appropriate
CASH  BACS

(Cheques no longer accepted)

PAY BY BACS: Xtra Time Kidz Club Sort Code 09-01-27 Account Number 76622742

PAYMENT DATE: 
Payment Date & Ref are not filled out your child's spot will not be held

PAYMENT REF: for example FEBISARAH

CHILDCARE VOUCHER NAME:

CHILDCARE VOUCHER REF:

EVERY SECTION MUST BE FILLED IN TO SECURE YOU CHILD'S SPOT

I give my consent to 1st Touch/Xtra Time to act to the best of their ability in an emergency.
I have no objection with pictures being taken for marketing purposes.

Signed .................................................  Print Name ..........................................

All booking forms to be posted (not emailed) to:
Coach George - 48 Fuller Gardens, Watford, Hertfordshire, WD24 6QW
Dates for your diary

JANUARY 2018
Monday 29th January to Friday 2nd February 2018 Festival of Learning Week
Monday 20th January – Festival of Learning Year 1 at 9:00am
Tuesday 30th January – Year 2 Florence Nightingale workshop
Tuesday 30th January – Key Stage 1 and Lower Key Stage 2 Gymnastics at Watford Girls Grammar School
Tuesday 30th January – Festival of Learning Year 6 at 2:50pm
Tuesday 30th January – Festival of Learning Year 4 at 3:00pm
Wednesday 31st January – Festival of Learning Year 2 at 9:00am

FEBRUARY 2018
Thursday 1st February – Festival of Learning Year 3 at 9:05am
Thursday 1st February – Year 4 Mulberry Swimming
Thursday 1st February – Festival of Learning Year 5 at 3:00pm
Friday 2nd February – Festival of Learning Reception at 2:30pm
Saturday 3rd February – Teacher Recruitment Fair – Parmiter’s School
Monday 5th February – Year 1 Queen Victoria - workshop
Tuesday 6th February – Year 5 – A day in Ancient Greece - workshop
Tuesday 6th February – Parents Evening 3:30pm to 6:00pm
Wednesday 7th February – Year 4 Eco-electricity science workshop
Thursday 8th February – Year 4 Mulberry Swimming
Thursday 8th February – Parents Evening 5:00 to 7:30pm
Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2018 – Half Term
Thursday 1st March – Year 6 Trip to Royal Airforce Museum

Attendance
Whole school Attendance up to Friday last week for this academic year is 94 %

| Nursery am | 91% | Beech | 90% |
| Blue base | 90% | Pine | 95% |
| Red base | 93% | Mulberry | 97% |
| Maple | 92% | Cedar | 93% |
| Oak | 87% | Rowan | 98% |
| Sycamore | 96% | Ash | 98% |
| Hawthorn | 95% | Elder | 93% |
| Hazel | 93% | Chestnut | 92% |
| Willow | 92% | Birch | 97% |
| Aspen | 99% | Elm | 92% |

Attendance:
   KS1
   Sycamore

Punctuality:
   KS1
   Oak

   KS2
   Rowan

   KS2
   Chestnut & Birch