Holywell Primary School

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Friday 28th June 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sports Day

Thank you to all the parents who came and supported their children during Sports Day. The children all showed great resilience and self-belief on each of the stations and it was lovely to see the Houses competing against each other! Lots of the children got quicker at the events on their second go!

The Sports Day has been a huge success and ran very smoothly. Thank you to the Coaches from Premier Sport and Miss Hampton who were involved in the planning. Thank you also to the Support Staff and Teachers for the smooth running of the day.

In Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 the overall winner was Vicarage followed by Cassio, Ebury then Brightwell. In Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 the overall winner was Ebury followed by Cassio, Brightwell and Vicarage.

Therefore the final placings are:

- 1st Cassio
- 2nd Ebury
- 3rd Vicarage
- 4th Brightwell

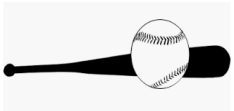
Year 6 Choral Project

The Year 6 Choral project has been a huge success for our Year 6 pupils, with many parents attending the final performance. I think parents will agree that the singing and performance was of high quality.

Year 6 - Isle of Wight

Some of our Year 6 pupils will be departing on Monday for the Isle of Wight. Parents of pupils attending the Isle of Wight have been sent the Blog address; this will be updated by teachers each day. The pupils remaining at school will be participating in different activities throughout the week. We wish them all luck on their excursions next week.

Rounders Match at Kingsway Junior School



On Wednesday 26th June 2019 we had a friendly rounders match for Year 5 and Year 6 at Kingsway Junior School. It was our first ever rounders match and both teams showed excellent resilience and determination to win. The Year 5 team worked really well together and improved in their second innings to become overall winners!

The Year 6 team also improved in their second innings but unfortunately lost despite some excellent hitting by Reggie and Jayden! Well done to all of the children.

Year 1 – Cassiobury Park

This week Year 1 went on a school trip to Cassiobury Park:

<u>A report from Miss Hussain</u>
"We went on a mini beast hunt as this is one of the topics we have studied in Science. During this hunt we found a range of mini beasts and identified their features. After that we had a talk about leaves and trees where the children were able to distinguish which leaves belong to which trees. We then created our very own booklet of leaves. Later we had a picnic in the park and played some games!"

Football Match against Divine Saviour RC Primary School

On Thursday 27th June 2019 we played two football matches, a girls team and a boys team, against Divine Saviour. The opposition was very tough resulting in both teams losing at half time, however the children came back fighting and did not give up! The boys did not manage to let in any more goals after half time and Timmy also managed to score a goal! In the girls game Nana also managed to score in the second half! Well done to all of the children!

Health Screening

The School Nurses are in next week to see some children in Reception and Key Stage 1.

Class Assembly - Olympic Hall at 9:10am

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
Friday 5th July 2019	Mulberry	Resilience
Friday 12th July 2019	Year 1	Good to be Me
Friday 19th July 2019	Rowan Elm and Birch	Leavers Assembly

Heritage Box Exhibition

The recent exhibition was very well attended by parents of all four schools; Bromet Primary, Oxhey Wood Primary, Parkgate Junior School and Holywell Primary, along with members of the wider community. Last week's exhibition was opened by two representatives from the Mayor of Watford's office, who spoke about the importance of projects like this. A huge thank you to all the parents and pupils for making their heritage boxes which represents themselves and their families. Thank you also to Ms Gonzalez who has been the driving force behind our international work and projects.

Bank Holiday – change of date!

Please note a small change to the term dates for 2019/2020. As a result of the national announcement about VE Day, the Bank Holiday has been moved from Monday to Friday.

The new Bank Holiday date is **Friday 8th May 2020**

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	Idil	Noah	**Mulberry**	Neja	Ayodeji
Red Base	Ruby	Riley	**Cedar**	Zuzanna	Luis
Sycamore	-	-	**Elder**	Ishmeet	Wiyyam
Maple	Stanley	Hanilthra	**Ash**	Kai	Rita
Hawthorn	Harley	Joseph	**Chestnut**	Jale	Andrei
Hazel	Kiera	Husnain	**Rowan**	Chloe	Daniel
Pine	Sanjsaya	Faris	**Elm**	Adrian	Luana
Beech	Rafia	Megan H	**Birch**	Ayala	Kohinoor
Aspen	Ibrahim	Simone			

Attendance by Class

Last week's attendance by class:

Nursery am	92%	**Pine**	90%
Blue base	92%	**Mulberry**	100%
Red base	92%	**Cedar**	96%
Maple	94%	**Ash**	95%
Sycamore	93%	**Elder**	96%
Hawthorn	98%	**Chestnut**	99%
Hazel	94%	**Birch**	97%
Aspen	94%	**Elm**	97%
Beech	97%	**Rowan**	93%

Whole School Attendance

Whole school attendance for the academic year till last Friday is:

94.3 %

Attendance and Punctuality

Best classes in the whole school for attendance and punctuality last week were:

Attendance	Punctuality
KS1: Hazel	KS1: Hazel
KS2 : Mulberry	KS2: Aspen, Beech

Dates for your Diary

SUMMER TERM

JULY 2019

Monday 1st July 2019 – Friday 5th July 2019 Year 6 Residential trip to Isle of Wight
Monday 1st July 2019 – Year 6 Cassiobury Park
Monday 1st July 2019 – School Nurse in for Health Screening (Reception to Year 2)
Monday 1st July 2019 – Reception - Dental checks/information from School Health
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 5 Athletics at Queens' School
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 6 Cinema – The Secret Life of Pets 2
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson
Tuesday 2nd July 2019 – Assembly – Heritage School Award
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Project Day In School
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Nursery to Cassiobury Park
Wednesday 3rd July 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson
Thursday 4th July 2019 – Nursery to Cassiobury Park
Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 1 to Year 6 Black Knight Historical Workshop
Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Thursday 4th July 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central
Thursday 4th July 2019 – Key Stage 1 and Keys Stage 2 Reserve Sports Day
Friday 5th July 2019 – Year 6 Whipsnade Zoo
Friday 5th July 2019 – Nursery and Reception Reserve Sports Day
Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 2 Tring Museum
Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Holywell Music Concert – time to be confirmed
Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 2 to Natural History Museum Tring
Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson
Tuesday 9th July 2019 – Community Day
Wednesday 10th July 2019 - Year 5 Ukulele Lesson
Wednesday 10th July 2019 – Year 5 Elder swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Wednesday 10th July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Thursday 11th July 2019 – Year 5 Chestnut swimming at Kingsway Junior School
Thursday 11th July 2019 – Year 5 Ash swimming at Watford Central
Thursday 11th July 2019 – Moving Up Day – Year 6 out at new schools
Friday 12th July 2019 – Reception to Ruislip Lido
Monday 15th July 2019 – No clubs all week
Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Year 4 Drumming Lesson
Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Parents Evening – End of Year – Reports out
Tuesday 16th July 2019 – Year 6 – End of Year Production - Dress Rehearsal to Key Stage 2
Wednesday 17th July – Year 6 - End of Year Production Dress Rehearsal to EY and Key Stage 1
Wednesday 17th July 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele Lesson
Wednesday 17th July 2019 – Year 6 Choral Project by Voices Foundation
Wednesday 17th July 2019 – 6:00 pm Year 6 – End of Year Production to Parents
Thursday 18th July 2019 – Awards Assembly
Thursday 18th July 2019 – 2:00 pm Year 6 – End of Year Production to Parents
Thursday 18th July 2019 – Year 6 Leavers afternoon, starting at 3:30 pm
Friday 19th July 2019 – Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 19th July 2019 – End of School Year. Nursery finishes at 12:00 midday, the rest of school finishes at 1:30 pm

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TERM DATES FOR 2019-2020

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2019 INSET Day (school closed for pupils)
Wednesday 4th September 2019 – first day of term
Half Term – Monday 28th October 2019 to Friday 1st November 2019
Friday 20th December 2019 – last day of term (school closes at 1:30pm)

SPRING TERM 2020

Monday 6th January 2020 INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Tuesday 7th January 2020 – first day of term
Half Term – Monday 17th February 2020 to Friday 21st February 2020
Friday 3rd April 2020 – last day of term (school closes at 1:30pm)

SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April 2020 INSET Day – school closed for pupils
Tuesday 21st April 2020 – first day of term
Friday 8th May 2020 – Bank Holiday
Half Term – Monday 25th May 2020 to Friday 29th May 2020
Friday 17th July 2020 – last day of term (school finishes at 1:30pm)

Please note change of Bank Holiday date

29th June

Holywell festival

It's Free!

12:30pm - 4pm

King George V Playing Fields
Outside Holywell Community Centre

An afternoon of fun for the Holywell community
with food, games, music, inflatables and more

holywell.festival@gmail.com facebook.com/HolywellFestival

This event is run as a partnership between...

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Watford Cycle Hub

Holywell Community Group

DS ACHIEVE

Sensory Processing

DS Achieve is pleased to offer this training event for parents and/ or carers of children and young people with Down Syndrome.

The training will be delivered by Claire Ginty, Highly Specialist Occupational Therapist, of Achieve OT.

The course will cover the following areas:

- Fun with the sensory equipment
- What exactly is Occupational Therapy?
- What is sensory processing?
- Sensory Processing challenges for children with Down syndrome
- The impact upon: 1) gross motor skills, 2) fine motor skills, 3) daily living skills, 4) visual motor and perceptual skills, and 5) concentration, attention and learning.
- Experience the challenges for yourself
- How to support your child

When: Sunday 14th July 2019, 10am—2:30pm (registration from 9:45am)

Where: TRACKS House, Boulton Road, Stevenage, SG1 4QX

Cost: £35

How to book:
https://dsachieve.org/events
Terms and conditions and Privacy Policy Apply. Please see website for details. Limited cancellation terms

Training delivered by:

DS Achieve is affiliated to the

Down's Syndrome Association
A Registered Charity No. 1061474

🏃♀ ATTENTION HOLYWELL LADIES ♀🏃

Keep wanting to start running, but never got round to it?

Maybe tried a few times but doing it alone is hard and not found the right group to run with?

We are offering a free space at our BootyFit running session🏃♀

❔Why free? Because we believe we create such an infectious group spirit, fun and enjoyment that people can't help but keep coming back. Running doesn't have to feel like a drag, it can be fun and enjoyable and that is what we do.

We are passionate about creating a running club where no-one gets left behind, fitness levels don't matter, chatting and making friends is the norm.

By claiming one of our BootyFit running sessions you will get:

👋A friendly welcome from the all the staff and the other women running (This is something we are really proud of)

- Guidance and motivation to keep doing your best (whether the aim is to lose weight, run 5k or even a marathon)
- 🏃♀Improved mood and reduced stress levels from exercising
- A great place to make friendships with like-minded people
- Ask any and all questions you have
- And so much more!

Claim a free running session by simply clicking the link below and entering your details.

[http://bit.ly/2SC8Zrt](https://bit.ly/2SC8Zrt?fbclid=IwAR2-3KpIMvHs3bRp-736v5KEisrrgfVQXfDNUj2PsdAAlqkfNd3SbylS9Ag)

There is nothing to lose!

Still not sure?

Here are what a few people have said about our running club:

"Great support, fantastic group of lovely ladies. Friendly and knowledgeable ladies running the group who really care how people are, how they're feeling and doing. Got me running Park Run's now, I hadn't run since I left school, many many many moons ago. Come along, everyone is welcome. Thanks Shelley and Aislinn xx" - Melanie

"Decided to bite the bullet and attend a running session. I was honestly petrified especially knowing I couldn't run at all. The ladies are so welcoming and it instantly puts you at ease. There is no pressure and progress is at my own pace. The ladies are great whether you are running or walking the support is massive and I can actually say for the first time in my life I found an exercise I love and actually enjoy attending. If you're worried about being the unfit one honestly don't be. Come along and give it a try, it's a fab group with lovely ladies and we laugh so Much on our runs it's not too dissimilar to a girly catch up." - Fidelma

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If you have any questions just comment or send us a message at info@bootyfit.co.uk
We are here to help.

Can't wait to see you at a BootyFit running session soon.

Aislinn Quigley
BootyFit Owner/Instructor

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Supporting Children, Young People (0-25) & Families with Special Education Needs, Additional Needs, Disabilities and Emotional Wellbeing
In Early Years, Schools, Colleges & at Home for Watford, Three Rivers, Bushey & Radlett

DSPL9 are pleased to be working in Partnership with the KIDS Hubs to deliver an Education Health & Care Plan (EHCP) New Application Workshop for Parents and Carers

9:30am to 12pm, Wednesday 3rd July 2019
at
KIDS West Hub, Albanwood, Newhouse Crescent, Watford, WD25 7BZ

This workshop will look at:

- **What is an EHCP?**
- **How this could help my child?**
- **The process and timeline for applying**
- **The criteria taken into consideration by the LA to agree to assess**
- **The application-what information and evidence to include?**
- **What will my child's school have to do?**
- **What a plan may look like?**
- **What happens if my child's application for assessment is refused?**

Please book a place to join us if you are considering applying for an EHCP for your child by emailing hub.herts@kids.org.uk or calling 01923 676549

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