

We are a learning community with the spirit to succeed **Holywell Primary School**

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Friday 29th March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week for Teachers and Support Staff. There has been 3 nights of after school training for all staff and they have shown great resilience. I would like to thank them all for their hard work and their commitment to the pupils of Holywell Primary School.

With one more week before the Easter break I am reassured that they will continue to work hard and show their commitment to the pupils of Holywell Primary School.

Isle of Wight Parents' Meeting

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 6 Isle of Wight meeting yesterday. We had a great turn out and, as discussed, more information will follow shortly.

House Assemblies

On Monday 25th March 2019 all classes met in their Houses. During the House Assemblies pupils talked about responsibility, what it means and how we show responsibility in school, at home and in the community.

Addressing Concerns

A reminder to parents who have concerns, they should speak to the Class Teacher in the first instance. If your concerns are of a more serious nature then please speak to any of the following Senior Leadership Team, they will be happy to assist.

- Early Years Mr Szjako/Mrs Lazar
- Key Stage 1 Mr Keller
- Lower Key stage 2 Mrs McLaughlin
- Upper Key stage 2 Mrs Bancroft Prescott

Other Senior Leaders in the school include

- Mrs Alexander Assistant Headteacher
- Mrs Keshiro Deputy Headteacher
- Mr O'Brien Deputy Headteacher











No Clubs

We would like to remind you there are no clubs next week as it is the last week of term. The emails about clubs for the summer term went out today and they commence from Monday 29th April 2019.

SEN Questionnaire

We are asking all parents who have a child identified with Special Educational Needs and who are on the Special Educational Register at Holywell Primary School to complete our new SEN questionnaire.

Ark Farm Visit

The children in Nursery and Reception met the animals from Ark Farm yesterday. It was a great opportunity to meet many animals, including chickens, a pot belly pig, a donkey, ducks, dogs and lambs.

Bikeability - Level 2

We would like to remind all children who are taking part in the Bikeability course next week they will need their own bike and helmet to be able to take participate in the training.



Roads Around The School

Earlier in the week I was contacted by a member of public who was very concerned about parents and children crossing the road by McColl's. As parents coming from that direction know, it is a blind corner and special care should be taken when crossing the road there. The member of public stated that a parent made contact with her car. Like pupils, we

expect all parents to behave in an orderly way when they are around school. We have a duty to be role models for our own children and also the children of other parents.

Football

On Monday 25th March 2019 our boys and girls football teams played against Holy Rood Primary School. All children played really well and have demonstrated a huge improvement to previous games. The boys' team drew 2-2 after leading for most of the match, the opposition scored in the last 30 seconds to equalise. The girls' team lost 3-2. Unfortunately a penalty at the end gave the result to the other team. Well done to all the players and Miss Camerota and Miss Hampton.

Easter Break

The school closes next Friday 5th April 2019 at 1:30 pm and reopens for pupils on Wednesday 24th April 2019. There will be no afternoon Nursery on that day, Nursery closes at midday.



Fun Run

Well done to all the children who took part in the Fun Run on Wednesday 27th March 2019. Please return your sponsorship forms by Wednesday 3rd April 2019. We will be awarding prizes to the individual in EYFS, KS1 and KS2 who raise the most money. Thank you for your continued support.

Class Assembly - Olympic Hall at 9:10am

DATE	CLASS	TOPIC
Friday 5th April 2019	Pine	Easter

Festival of Learning Week – Monday 1st April to Friday 5th April 2019

Please join us in your child's classroom for their Festival of Learning which takes place from Monday 1st April 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019.

DATE	YEAR	TIME
Monday 1 st April 2019	Year 2	9:00 AM
Monday 1 st April 2019	Reception	2:30 PM
Monday 1 st April 2019	Year 4	3:00 PM
Tuesday 2 nd April 2019	Year 3	9:00 AM
Tuesday 2 nd April 2019	Nursery	11:30 AM and 02:30 PM
Wednesday 3 rd April 2019	Year 1	2:45 PM
Thursday 4 th April 2019	Year 6	9:00 AM
Thursday 4 th April 2019	Year 5	3:00 PM

Winners of The Golden Ticket for Friday 29th March 2019



Congratulations to the winners of the Golden Tickets!

KEY \$TAGE 1 WINNER\$	KEY \$TAGE 2 WINNER\$
Summer – Hawthorn	Murphy – Beech
Indianna – Hazel	Dani – Chestnut
Rebeka – Hawthorn	Funmi – Elder
Kaleem – Maple	Italia — Mulberry
Lacey Marie - Sycamore	Shobah – Ash
Rick - Maple	Shaya Mae - Beech

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	Radu	Arash	Mulberry	Adam	Donnell
Red Base	Harvey	Sofia	Cedar	Sidra	Raihan
Sycamore	Shailah	Liban	Elder	Wiyyam	Roksana
Maple	Amina	Рорру	Ash	Ben	Angelina
Hawthorn	Rich	KJ	Chestnut	Werfaan	Ebrima
Hazel	Amin	Kyran	Rowan	Irinel	Alisha
Pine	Lois	Hussain	Elm	James	Nalini
Beech	Parmeet	Frankly	Birch	Leandro	Oladele
Aspen	Michael	Skye			

Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday before half-term is 94.6 %

Nursery am	88%	Pine	91%
Blue base	86%	Mulberry	96%
Red base	88%	Cedar	95%
Maple	98%	Ash	98%
Sycamore	86%	Elder	94%
Hawthorn	97%	Chestnut	99%
Hazel	92%	Birch	96%
Aspen	93%	Elm	96%
Beech	99%	Rowan	96%

Enrichment Days:

Sunday 31st March – Mothering Sunday

Tuesday 2nd April – World Autism Awareness Day

Friday 19th April - Passover

Sunday 21st April – Easter Sunday

Tuesday 23rd April – Shakespeare Day

Tuesday 23rd April – St George's Day

Whole school Attendance & Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:
KS1 : Maple	KS1: Hawthorn
KS2: Chestnut	KS2: Chestnut, Birch



Dates for your Diary

SPRING TERM:

Monday 1^{st} April 2019 to Friday 5^{th} April 2019 – Festival of Learning Week Monday 1^{st} April 2019 to Friday 5^{th} April 2019 inclusive Bikeability Level 2 Level 3 – Year 5

Monday 1st April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Year 2 at 9:00am

Monday 1st April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Reception at 2.30pm

Monday 1st April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Year 4 at 3:00pm

Tuesday 2nd April 2019 - Parent coffee morning (09:00am – 10:00am) – all parents invited

Tuesday 2nd April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Year 3 at 9:00am

Tuesday 2nd April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Nursery at 11:30am and 14:30pm

Tuesday 2nd April 2019 – Year 4 Drumming

Wednesday 3rd April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Year 1 at 2:45pm

Wednesday 3rd April 2019 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons

Thursday 4th April 2019 – Festival of Learning – Year 6 at 9:00am

Thursday 4th April 2019 – Year 3 Pine swimming

Thursday 4th April 2019 – Festival of Learning - Year 5 at 3:00pm

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







Building a Resilient Community Watersmeet, Rickmansworth Watersmeet, Bickmansworth Watersmeet, Bickmansworth Wednesday 3rd April 2019

Our aim is to share this new 'Mental Health' knowledge. We want to help people understand the impact of childhood experiences such as abuse, neglect, parental separation and witnessing domestic violence on a child's development.



"The child may not remember, but the body remembers"







There will be 5 separate workshops during the day for:

RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITY 9 - 10.30am or 7 - 8.30pm

PROFESSIONALS 11 - 1pm or 1.30 - 3.30pm

EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS 4 - 6pm

Book your place. Visit my.threerivers.gov.uk my.threerivers.gov.uk Then go to:
Training: Building a Training: Community Resilient Community

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Watford and Three Rivers Families First Partnership invite you to the following workshop session;

Wednesday 3rd April 2019

To help our communities to understand the latest information on:

Childhood emotional attachment

 How we can support people to be resilient to the challenges of negative experiences

The film will be followed by a discussion with experts from different professional backgrounds.

There will also be a market place with services available to support residents and their children.









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I Play Groups starting Summer Term 2019

I Play Violin: Starting Saturday 27th April 9.30am -10.15am

I Play Woodwind: Starting Saturday 27th April 12.15pm -1.00pm

I Play Brass: Starting Saturday 27th April 11.30am –12.15am

I Play Cello: Starting Saturday 27th April 9.00am - 9.30am

open to those in Years 3-6. Please read the I Play flier for all the details of this project. This project is

enquiries please email: watfordmusicenquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk If you would like to reserve a space for a free first lesson or have any other

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Group lessons for our beginner instrumentalists



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What Is 'I Play'?

'I Play' is an introduction/ taster to playing an instrument. Your child will learn as part of a class to play either a woodwind, brass, string or percussion instrument. The lessons will be every week for 45 mins and the course will run for 1 term. There will be 10 lessons in total and it is important for your child to attend most regularly. We will supply instruments for the lessons each week and these will remain at the music school. If you wish to buy an instrument so your child can practice at home please do so. All the basics will be covered and there will be lots of music making from the start. Your child will learn how to produce a sound, hold the instrument, play as a group, follow a conductor and play tunes! Some teachers will start to use musical notation.

How to help your child choose an instrument.

Start exploring different instruments and see which sound appeals to your child. The choice of instrument is very personal and the more your child likes it the more they will want to play it! Listen to instruments on the

internet. Come to our concerts and Open Evening at WSM and discuss your options with our teachers.

What Happens Next?

At the end of the term there will be a 'I Play' Concert in the last lesson to showcase the children's work.

At the end of the course you may...

Enrol for individual, shared or group lessons, (children can buddy up with their new friends from the 'I Play' class), at WSM in your chosen instrument. Teachers will be able to advise you to make the best choice for your child. Costs are as follows and based on 11 lessons a term:

Individual 30 minute lessons Individual 20 minute lessons	£225.50 £150.70
Individual 20 minute lessons	£150.70
Shared 30 minute lessons	£112.75

At this stage you will have to supply your own instrument, although we are able to loan a few endangered instruments!

Here are your choices:

Woodwind: Flute, Clarinet, Oboe, Bassoon

Brass: Cornet, Trumpet, Trombone, Horn, Tenor Horn

Strings: Violin, Viola, 'Cello, Double Bass

Percussion: Orchestral, World Percussion, Kit

B. Enrol for a different 'l Play' course so your child can have a go playing another instrument.

C. Nothing at all. Hopefully your child has enjoyed the experience!



A Family event for children and their grandparent or parent.

Explore the old toys in our Reminiscence Boxes

and create a Comic Strip together. For ages 5 to 11

Wednesday 10 April Watford Library 10.00 - 11.30am Bushey Library 2.00 - 3.30pm

> **Thursday 18 April** Abbots Langley Library 2.00 - 3.30pm

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets £2 per child available online at: www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/litfest at your local library or by phone 01707 281533





Further details 0300 123 4049www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraries



