

We are a learning community with the spirit to succeed Holywell Primary School Tolpits Lane, Watford, Herts, WD18 6LL Tel: 01923 225188 email: admin@holywell.herts.sch.uk Headteacher: Mr C van Straaten

Friday 5th October 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Watford and Hertsmere School Sport Partnership

Holywell Primary School is working with Queens' School Bushey in the School Sport Partnership. The Partnership allows primary schools and secondary schools the opportunity to share resources and expertise, it is also the main reason that we are able to take part in so many sports competitions with other schools.

In the work that the school have been doing in PE we have been awarded a Bronze Award by the partnership to recognise our commitment, engagement and delivery of sport and physical education. I would like to thank Miss Hampton in particular, and all staff in the school who continue to drive healthy living in our school through sport and PE.

Musical Theatre Club Change

Musical Theatre finishes on Tuesday 16th October 2018 instead of Tuesday 23rd October 2018. Georgie will let parents know when she is able to make up the session lost.

Head Boy and Head Girl

I have great honour introducing Gabriel and Luana as our Head Boy and Head Girl 2018 - 2019. Pupils in Year 6 have been applying for the posts and have made presentations to their peers canvassing for votes - it was a very close vote. The Deputy Head Boy and Head Girl for 2018 - 2019 are Stefan and Shiloh. I would like to congratulate all the pupils who have been successful. I would also like to thank all the applicants who have presented themselves amazingly well. It is great to see the pride and knowledge that pupils have of Holywell Primary School. The House Captains and Prefects will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Parents' Evening

Autumn Term Parents Evening will take place on Tuesday 23rd October 2018 between 3:30pm - 6:00pm and Thursday 25th October 2018 between 5:00pm – 7:30pm. A letter with further information will be sent to parents nearer the time which will give details of how to select a suitable time to meet the Class Teacher. The meeting is important to talk about how pupils have settled into school and also about their targets for this term.











Cornet Lessons

A letter went out to parents at the beginning of the week regarding cornet lessons and there are still spaces available. If your child is interested in learning to play the cornet and gain specialist music input then please look at the letter on the School Money system and get the process started.

School Uniform

We would like to remind parents of the school uniform requirements.

- Maroon Sweatshirt with school logo
- White Polo Shirt
- Grey Trousers/Grey Skirt
- Sensible Black School Shoes (no sandals or trainers please)

In addition to this I remind parents that coloured or glittered hair is not acceptable for school. Boys need to be smart and any long hair for boys or girls needs to be tied back or put into plaits. Pupils wearing a hijab need to wear plain coloured hijabs. Burgundy, white and black hijabs are acceptable.

We want pupils to feel proud of coming to school and to look smart. Therefore it is paramount they adhere to these rules.

Playground Before School

There a quite a few boisterous games currently taking place in the playground in the morning. We will remind pupils in Monday's phase assembly that before school is not a playtime. It is a time for pupils to come into school ready to learn. Therefore we encourage pupils not to play ball games of any kind or take part in excessive running games or activities that can cause accidents, incidents or misbehaviour. The playground is full in the mornings with parents, grandparents and younger siblings who are pre-school age. With so many people in a small space accidents are more likely. Your cooperation will be appreciated.

inners of The Golden Ticket for Fr	iday 5 th October 2018	elici
Congratulations to the winners of the G	Golden Tickets!	
KEY STAGE 1 WINNERS	KEY STAGE 2 WINNERS	
Daniel - Hazel	Emily - Ash	
Natasha - Sycamore	Yasmine - Aspen	
Amin - Hazel	Jahmal - Aspen	
Karra - Hazel	Spartak - Elm	
lara - Maple	Amy - Cedar	
Ava - Sycamore	Zuzanna - Cedar	
Kevin - Hawthorn	Fruzsina - Chestnut	

Class Assembly Olympic Hall at 9:10am			
DATE	CLASS	ΤΟΡΙϹ	
Friday 12 October	Chestnut	Walk to school day (Healthy Living)	
Friday 19 October	Cedar	Respecting - being thankful	
Friday 26 October	Mulberry	Diwali	
	Half Te	erm	
Friday 9 November	Beech	Remembrance Day	
Friday 16 November	Pine	Anti-bullying week	
Friday 23 November	Aspen	Road Safety Week	
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Friday 7 December	Hazel	Advent	
Friday 14 December	Maple	Hanukkah	

Parents Forum

The Year 2 Parents Forum highlighted more clubs for children, which we are exploring. Just a reminder that Year 6 parents in particular are invited to next Tuesday's forum as part of the coffee morning. If you have any issues you want to discuss and bring to our attention then please come along to this session. Alternatively, it is a good opportunity to meet other parents and carers of the school. No parent is excluded from these sessions so do feel free to come along if you wish.

Parent Forum - Information Sessions/Coffee Morning

For this half term the coffee mornings will run slightly differently. Coffee morning takes place on Tuesday from 9:00am to 10:00am. Following this Sam Ward our Parent Support Worker will be available to see individual parents about matters relating to school, parenting, housing and many other things. Sam has expertise in many areas and if she is unable to help she will know who can.

We hope to run the coffee mornings in the way of a parent forum and I will also attend. During the sessions we hope to talk you about matters relating to school this year and there will also be an opportunity for parents to raise any topic they feel appropriate. As always if you have any issues that you feel need addressing do not wait for your forum, take the opportunity to see your child's teacher or one of the leadership team members.

Tuesday 9th October 2018 – Year 6 Tuesday 16th October 2018 – Year 3 Tuesday 23rd October 2018 – Year 4 Tuesday 6th November 2018 – Year 5

Attendance

Whole school Attendance up to Friday last week for this academic year is 94.9%

Nursery am	90.4%	Pine	99.1%
Blue base	91.9%	Mulberry	93.8%
Red base	95.8%	Cedar	85.7%
Maple	90.4%	Ash	99.3%
Sycamore	98.3%	Elder	93.9%
Hawthorn	96%	Chestnut	92.9%
Hazel	97.5%	Birch	99.3%
Aspen	94.3%	Elm	92.2%
Beech	99.1%	Rowan	96.4%

Whole school Attendance and Punctuality, best classes are:

Attendance:	Punctuality:	
KS1	KS1	
Sycamore	Maple	
KS2	KS2	
Ash, Birch	Beech, Chestnut	

Class Assembly

Olympic Hall at 9:10am

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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	-	-	Mulberry	Adam	Omi
Red Base	-	-	Cedar	Yaavarthan	Amy
Sycamore	Khol	Adam	Elder	Mueed	Anastazja
Maple	Khairo	Stanley	Ash	Yasir	Vamika
Hawthorn	Kevin	Samuel	Chestnut	Falak	Ubayd
Hazel	Hasnain	Angel	Rowan	Kushan	Jahzara
Pine	Humzah	Khalid	Elm	Dante	Nethmi
Beech	Parneet	Demi	Birch	Anuhas	Kasandra
Aspen	Ilaria	Lorenzo			



Dates for your Diary

October 2018

Monday 8th October 2018 – Warburton Bakery in to visit Year 3 Beech Monday 8th October 2018 – Year 6 Health Screening Tuesday 9th October 2018 – Warburton's in to visit Year 3 Pine Thursday 11th October 2018 – Warburton Bakery in to visit Year 3 Aspen Thursday 11th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Tuesday 16th October 2018 – Friday 19th October 2018 – Black History month – Bigfoot Theatre Thursday 18th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Monday 22nd October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Monday 22nd October 2018 to Friday 26th October 2018 – Festival of Learning week Tuesday 23rd October 2018 (15:30 – 18:00) – Parents Evening Wednesday 24th October 2018 – Reception Red – Cassiobury Park Thursday 25th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Thursday 25th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Monday 29th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Thursday 25th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming Monday 29th October 2018 – Year 4 Cedar swimming

November 2018

Monday 5th November 2018 – Reception Class applications for September 2019 - Open Monday 5th November 2018 – Start of Poppy Appeal Tuesday 6th November 2018 – Wizard Theatre Wednesday 7th November 2018 – Year 1 Paradise Wildlife Park Thursday 8th November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming Monday 12th November 2018 – Flu Immunisations – Reception to Year 5 Monday 12th November 2018 to Friday 16th November 2018 – Whole school Assessment Week Thursday 15th November 2018 – School Photographer – Individual and family photos Thursday 15th November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming Monday 19th November 2018 – Year 1 Assessments continue Tuesday 20th November 2018 – Year 3 Verulamium Museum Wednesday 21st November 2018 – Reception Open Day – 9:15a.m Thursday 22nd November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming Thursday 29th November 2018 – Non Uniform Day – Please bring in bottles and jars Thursday 29th November 2018 – Year 4 Mulberry swimming Friday 30th November 2018 – Christmas Decoration Day

December 2018

Monday 3rd December 2018 – Christmas Tree Decoration Day Wednesday 5th December 2018 – Reception Class 2019 Open Day at 2:00pm



Teacher: Antony Pigram

Students Year 4 and above.

Guitar Works is a group guitar lesson for students who want to learn the guitar basics so they can join a band.

You will learn at least 4 chords, learn strumming right hand patterns and play current pop and rock songs. All instruments will be supplied for the lessons. You will need your own guitar to play at home.

Thursdays, 5.00-6.00pm

At Watford School of Music

£42 per term

(Term time only)

For more information please call 01923 225531

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More Information

Please see our website

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It is particularly important that we give our youngest students the best possible start.

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Our music programme for Reception Children
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Our music programme for Year 1 9.00-9.45am or 10.45-11.30am

Explore Music 2

Our music programme for Year 2 9.15 -10.00am or 9.45am-10.30am

The children sing, dance, use body percussion, play simple percussion instruments as well as create their own music. Year 2 children also learn to play the Recorder. All Explore Music groups cost £51 per term.

Sing, Make Play!

For Key Stage 2 Children, Years 3 - 6

A two and a half hour programme of music making.

Sing! - 9.00am

Warm up singing session for all Key Stage 2 children.

Make! - 9.30am

The children create and perform their own music in their year groups.

Play!

Years 3 & 4 - 10.30am

All years 3 & 4 children will learn to play recorder and violin

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Years 5 & 6 - 10.45am

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For those who would like to stay longer.

These lessons are free to children who attend Sing Make Play.

• Watford Junior Singers 11.30 - 12.15 All Key Stage 2 welcome.





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Activity Leader: Kris Banks

Students will work as a whole class, in groups and by themselves to create their own music and work out how to perform Pop and Rock Standards. This will be open to all instrumentalists and vocalists in Year 5 and above.

Thursdays, 4.30-5.30pm

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£42 per term (Term time only)

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Students may also wish to join 'Techno Live' at 5.30pm (see overleaf for more details)

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I Play Groups starting Autumn Term 2018

I Play Violin: Starting Saturday 6th October 9.50-10.20
I Play Flute: Starting Saturday 6th October 9.50-10.35
I Play Percussion: Starting Thursday 4th October 5.00-5.45
I Play Brass: Starting Saturday 6th October 11.30-12.15

Please read the <u>I Play flier</u> for all the details of this project

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

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Activity Leader: Kris Banks

This class is for musicians in Year 5 and above who want to create and perform their own music using technology. This session can link with our 'Rock Up' class at 4.30pm (see overleaf for more details).

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