



Holywell Primary School

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9th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Parents' Evening

A reminder to parents that Parents' Evening will take place on Google Classroom. The teachers had a meeting yesterday and will test all google accounts with pupils to ensure they work correctly. All Parents' Evening meetings will take place online this year, during our normal parents evening hours. Parents will be able to book an appointment using the normal booking system, a link to do this will go



**PARENTS'
EVENING**

out early next week. Parents are advised to try logging into Google Classroom before their allotted time, well in advance of their meeting, so as not to waste their meeting time with the teacher. We had a few parents respond to the text message sent out earlier in the week, informing us that they do not have internet access, so for these parents alternative arrangements will be made.

Tuesday 20th October 2020

3:30pm to 6:00pm

Thursday 22nd October 2020

5:00pm to 7:30pm

Healthy Snacks and Packed Lunches

We would like to remind parents we are a school with enhanced healthy school status. Please ensure that snacks and packed lunches sent to the school are healthy and do not contain sugary items, fizzy drinks or crisps. We offer a healthy balanced hot meal each day so parents can choose to give their child a school dinner.



Issues between Children

Parents are reminded they should not approach other children or their parents if they have any concerns. We encourage pupils to tell staff in school if they need help resolving a problem. We would like parents to inform us if they are concerned about issues between children, so the school can help to resolve them.



Pupil Leaders

This morning in assembly the Head Boy and Head Girl and also the Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl presented themselves to the school. Copies of their speeches are included in the newsletter below.

Year 6 - Secondary School Application for September 2021

Parents are reminded that secondary school applications close on Saturday 31st October 2020. Please remember to submit your application on line before that time

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

Alternatively, if you are unable to access the website, a paper copy of the application form from Hertfordshire can be obtained by calling the Customer Service Centre on 0300 123 4043

Survey about Remote Learning

Thank you to the parents who completed the survey from last week. Your comments are helpful for us to prepare for remote learning should there be another lockdown. The survey is still open to please give us your views on



<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RZQTF3G>

World Mental Health Day

Today children in school wore a yellow item and made a donation via School Money to help raise awareness about mental health. The money raised will be sent to Young Minds! Thank you to everyone who took part.

YOUNG MINDS



Isle of Wight - Year 6

Today is the last day for parents to express an interest for their child to go to the Isle of Wight. Unfortunately, if we do not have enough interest we will have to cancel the trip. The fewer pupils who go on the trip has an impact on the cost of the coach, making it unsustainable for the pupils to attend. Please refer to the letter on our website



HOLYWELL STAR LEARNERS

Blue	Jayden	This award is for great work with 2D shapes
Red	Isaac	For writing a CVC word with very little support
Sycamore	Ashley	For working exceptionally hard during maths and completing extra work
Maple	Manan	For consistently showing good listening and good working on a daily basis
Hawthorn	Radhiya	For writing some clear and concise instructions in English this week
Hazel	Zarya	For being super brave
Cedar	Kashvee	This is awarded for always having a smile on your face and for sharing excellent ideas in discussions!
Mulberry	Kaleem	For retelling the story of 'The paper bag Princess' using all the features of story writing learnt this week
Rowan	Adam	For showing perseverance when trying to challenge himself in lessons
Chestnut	Keke	For writing a lovely non-chronological report about a beast
Elder	Momna	For pushing herself with her learning whilst also considering how to be focussed on what she is doing. This focus and determination has meant Momna has completed some great work this week. Well done. Please keep it up!
Elm	Mahi	For her excellent work around properties of number
Birch	Barun	For applying his knowledge and challenging himself with extension tasks

HOLYWELL CHARTER CERTIFICATES

Blue	Oliwia	This is awarded for being more confident and helpful
Red	Joes	For showing great concentration and resilience during chosen activities
Sycamore	Maya	For demonstrating kindness to others inside and outside of the classroom
Maple	Nasir	For being reflective in his maths work this week
Hawthorn	Sarah	For reflecting on her writing so that she could edit and improve her instructions
Hazel	Antonia	For being reflective in her English learning
Cedar	David	This is awarded for following the 6 R's in class and beginning to reflect and edit your work
Mulberry	Sophie	For reflecting on her maths and improving her strategy addition sums
Rowan	Indianna	For reflecting on her learning in maths
Chestnut	Murphy	For reflecting on solving inverse calculations
Elder	Sara K	For achieving really well when learning about adverbials and using reflection to apply this learning in to up-levelling her own writing and self-assessing how she has achieved
Elm	Luis	For reflecting on his writing this week
Birch	Arshaq	For reflecting on his attitude towards learning and improving his handwriting skills



What I'll do as Head Boy

Hello, my name is Yaavarthan and as some of you may know I am Head Boy currently and I would first, like to thank you for making me Head Boy of Holywell Primary School

I'll be talking about what I currently am doing and what I want to achieve later in the year as Head Boy.

First, I try encouraging people to do the right thing and quite usually say funny things, as my friends might know, and I try to improve everyone's day.

I will also not abuse my power in any way. I always wanted to help do important things and be a trustworthy person and now that I have that opportunity I would help teachers do task and I would guide visitors and guests throughout the school. I would help new people get used to and comfortable in the school.

I will help everyone understand the school guidelines and would help someone if they need help with work and other work-based subject.

Thank you again for making me Head Boy of Holywell Primary School 2020 to 2021

Yaavarthan

Dear Holywell

I would like to thank you for voting me for Head Girl. Being Head Girl will take a large amount of responsibility seeing as I have to help around the school in many ways, for example showing visitors around the school; handing out medals at the end of term and helping in the playground. I also understand that I have to be a good role model. I realise that many of these jobs have changed due to coronavirus, however, I know I am still up to the task.

Now for a bit about me, I love this school and I am incredibly proud to have this role. I intend to try to encourage everyone to do their best. Once again I would like to thank you for choosing me. Have a great day.

Omi

Hello

My name is Esa and as you may all be aware, I have been elected as Deputy Head Boy for 2020 and 2021.

I am a keen sports follower namely boxing and football.

Anyway, enough about me!

I want to lead by example so other students can look up to me and be a role model as I am representing Holywell Primary School of which I have always been proud to be a part of.

One of my key goals as Deputy Head boy is to increase student ethics in the school and consideration towards each other and teachers and other school staff.

I would also like children to feel comfortable in approaching me to speak about anything that I could assist with.

I hope to attend meetings with teachers and other pupils so I can also better myself.

Thank you for your time.

Esa

Good morning to all pupils of Holywell Primary School

My name is Diana and I am Deputy Head Girl of Holywell. Today I will introduce myself and tell you about being a Deputy Head Girl.

I have an older sister who's in college. Being a Deputy takes a lot of responsibility and courage. My family is originally from Portugal. I have been in Holywell since 2013. I enjoy sports in particular football. I love art since it's a very relaxing subject. I have quite a few ideas about things that we can improve in our school and I look forward to sharing these with Mr van Straaten also including any staff members.

I am very hyper but do not talk over my classmates or my teachers. I believe that we should treat the teachers well since they teach us things that will help us either in our jobs or in general.

Thanks again for the students and teachers that voted for me.

From Diana



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