



Holywell Primary School

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we are a learning community with the spirit to succeed

12th March 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Coronavirus Information

Thank you to all parents for wearing your masks when entering the premises this week. It is reassuring to know that parents are supporting us in keeping everyone safe.

I would also like to thank parents for their patience moving around the site and following the new routines. On the whole, things have been running fairly smoothly.

Pupils, staff and other adults must not come into school if:

- they have one or more coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- a member of their household (including someone in their support bubble or childcare bubble, if they have one) has coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms
- they are required to quarantine having recently visited countries outside the Common Travel Area
- they have had a positive test

They must immediately cease to attend school and not return for at least 10 days from the day after:

- the start of their symptoms
- the test date if they did not have any symptoms but have had a positive test (whether this was a Lateral Flow Device (LFD) or Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test.

If anyone in school develops a new and continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia),

- they must go home to begin isolation - the isolation period includes the day the symptoms started and the next 10 full days
- follow the guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection
- arrange to have a test as soon as possible to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)



Welcome Back

It has been an absolute delight to welcome all our pupils back into school this week. The excitement from pupils has been evident and they have slotted back into the school routine as if they were never away.

Attendance this week was 94% for the whole school. We would like to remind parents that attendance at school is compulsory.

Return of Laptops and Chromebooks

Last week we asked all parents who had borrowed a Laptop or Chromebook to return it to school. Thank you to all parents who have done as requested. We are still waiting for some to be returned and we look forward to receiving them in the coming days.

Breakfast and After School Club

We will continue with the club up to the end of the term. Any parents who would like to use the club should contact the school office. The Breakfast Club runs from 7:30 am each morning and the After School Club runs until 5:30 pm in the evening.



School Dinners

We would like to remind parents our kitchen has now, once again, resumed the full menu. A choice of 3 main meals plus jacket potato is available every day. A copy of the menu was sent out last week with the newsletter and is available on the school website.

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal under the Universal Free School meal scheme.

Do you qualify for Free School Meals?

If you are not registered for Free School Meals and believe you might be entitled, please check via the Hertfordshire County Council website on the link below

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals



Red Nose Day

We will be taking part in Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March 2021. Children are permitted to wear an item of red clothing for a donation via the JustGiving link below

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/holywell-primary-school-rednoseday21-4b43f46b-60f5-47e2-85d4-efafe9742fd4>



Visitors to School

This week we welcomed essentials visitors back into school.

Wizard Theatre, Rocksteady, Ukulele and Cornet lessons all restarted with us.

Easter Holidays

The last day of the Spring Term is Friday 26th March 2021. School finishes that day at 1:30 pm. Please note there will be no afternoon Nursery or After School Club on that day.

Dates for your Diary



SPRING TERM

Tuesday 16th March 2021 – Wizard Theatre in

Wednesday 17th March 2021 – Cornet Lessons Year 4 - am

Wednesday 17th March 2020 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons - pm

Thursday 18th March 2021 – RockSteady Music Lessons

Thursday 18th March 2021 – Wizard Theatre in

Friday 19th March 2021 – Last day for Nursery parents to accept place for September 2021

Friday 19th March 2021 - Whole School Assembly at 9:30am

Monday 22nd March 2021 to Friday 26th March 2021 – Festival of Learning Week

Tuesday 23rd March 2021 – Wizard Theatre in

Tuesday 23rd March 2021 – Governors Meeting at 6:30pm

Wednesday 24th March 2021 – Cornet Lessons Year 4 - am

Wednesday 24th March 2020 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons - pm

Thursday 25th March 2021 – RockSteady Music Lessons

Thursday 25th March 2021 – Wizard Theatre in

Thursday 25th March 2021 – Presentation Assembly

Friday 26th March 2021 - Whole School Assembly at 9:30am

Friday 26th March 2021 – Nursery finishes at midday

Friday 26th March 2021 – End of Spring Term – school closes at 1:30pm (no After School Club)

HOLYWELL STAR LEARNERS

Blue	Godfrey	This is awarded for remembering and following our class rules
Red	Junior	This is awarded for excellent drawing and describing his picture
Maple	Tayla-Rose	For being resilient in her learning and for being an excellent role model on a daily basis
Sycamore	Mahdi	For displaying resilience and sharing his ideas with the class
Hawthorn	Sarah	For her excellent letter to Pasha explaining why a giraffe is not a suitable gift
Hazel	Hadia	For coming back to school with a good attitude towards her learning
Cedar	Hamithra	For a good start back at school and for trying her hardest with her writing
Mulberry	Amol	For remembering his times tables and settling back into routine
Rowan	Sofia	For working independently in the core subjects this week and showing an excellent attitude towards her learning
Chestnut	Rayya	For making great improvements in her reading
Elder	Leira	For being a role model to all through her determination and resilience in all areas of the curriculum. She has flourished these past few weeks and her confidence has increased greatly
Birch	Xavier	For his improved attitude to learning
Elm	Khaqan	For achieving a 100% result in the recently conducted maths reasoning test

HOLYWELL CHARTER CERTIFICATES

Blue	Gabriella	This is awarded for always being kind and polite
Red	Jansen	This is awarded for always being kind and polite
Maple	Mohammad	For being reflective in his learning and resilient in his undertakings
Sycamore	Medeea	For showing respect to others and being a good team player
Hawthorn	Enzo	For coming back to school with a positive attitude and improved behaviour
Hazel	Cristiano	For taking responsibility in his own learning and working hard in every lesson
Cedar	Liban	For always following the 6 Rs and for making sure he is always respectful around the classroom
Mulberry	Harley	For showing resilience in challenging his learning and trying new activities
Rowan	Harvey J	For showing a responsible attitude on the playground when playing outside with his peers
Chestnut	Arshaq	For demonstrating responsibility in his learning
Elder	Terrence	For returning to school with a BANG! Terrence has returned full of Resilience and raring to go. He has achieved really well and shown us all of the learning that he has retained throughout
Birch	Kalvin	For showing good progress in his learning attitude and behaviour
Elm	Mahi	For always following the 6 Rs and for helping others to succeed



Parent Network March 2021 Zoom Parent Network

Parent Network is open to ANY parent in the UK caring for a child with any Special Education Needs including those awaiting assessment or diagnosis.

If you would like to join us, email bookings@familiesinfocus.co.uk and we'll send you the Zoom codes

Early Years zoom with Tracey and Georgie	Wednesday March 3rd 9.30 - 11.30am	Basic introduction to the sensory world of a child
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Monday March 8th 7pm - 9pm	Sensory world of a child with Bev Hamilton, Ask Bev Consultancy
zoom with Vicky and Sharon	Wednesday March 10th 9.30 - 11.30am	Let's pop the kettle on - SEND chat, giggles and a cuppa
zoom with Siobhann	Thursday March 11th 7-9pm	Managing behaviours of children with SEND
Teens 15+ zoom with Finola and Karen	Tuesday March 16th 7pm - 9pm	Building a community of shared experiences
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Thursday March 18th 9.30-11.30am	How to give siblings of children with SEND emotional support
zoom with Siobhann	Monday March 22nd 9.30 - 11.30am	Managing behaviours of children with SEND

Parents who have attended previous sessions will receive a text invitation to join the virtual meetings

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Parent Network April 2021 Zoom Parent Network

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Early Years zoom with Tracey and Georgie	Wednesdays 9.30 - 11.30am	No April session due to school holidays
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Monday April 12th 7pm - 9pm	Tips to help children cope with anxiety
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Thursday April 15th 9.30-11.30am	Giving primary aged children a voice in their EHCP with Helena Marks-Dwyer, Independent SEND Advisor
zoom with Siobhann	Monday April 19th 9.30-11.30am	Sensory issues explained
Teens 15+ zoom with Finola and Karen	Tuesday April 20th 7-9pm	Building a community of shared experiences
zoom with Vicky and Sharon	Wednesday April 21st 9.30 - 11.30am	Let's pop the kettle on - SEND chat, giggles and a cuppa
zoom with Siobhann	Thursday April 22nd 7-9pm	Understanding ADHD

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May 2021 Zoom Parent Network

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Early Years zoom with Tracey and Georgie	Wednesday May 4th 9.30 - 11.30am	How to choose the right school for your child with Helena Marks-Dwyer, Independent SEND advisor
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Monday May 10th 7pm - 9pm	Smooth transitions for SEND children
zoom with Francine and Lesley	Thursday May 13th 9.30-11.30am	Making a sensory circuit in your home
zoom with Siobhann	Monday May 17th 9.30-11.30am	Understanding ADHD
Teens 15+ zoom with Finola and Karen	Tuesday May 18th 7-9pm	EHCP for post 16s
zoom with Vicky and Sharon	Wednesday May 19th 9.30 - 11.30am	Let's pop the kettle on - SEND chat, giggles and a cuppa
zoom with Siobhann	Thursday May 20th 7-9pm	EHCP assessments and how to prepare

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Easter Holiday Football Activities

Come and join us for football fun and learning!
For grassroots footballers age 6-12 years of age. Sessions run from 10-3pm each day.

**Week 1: Monday 29th March
- Thursday 1st April.**

**Week 2:
Tuesday 6th - Friday 9th April.**

**Covid-19
protocols
followed
at all
times**

£75 for 4 day week (Mon-Thurs)
Daily bookings can also be made priced at £20 per day.

Watfordfccsetrust.com
Click 'Bookings' and search 'Holiday Courses' to find your nearest venue.

Watford FC CSE Trust - Easter Holiday Football Courses 2021

Meriden Community Centre, Watford (3G AstroTurf)

WK 1: Monday 29th March 2021 - Thursday 1st April 2021 (4 days) 10am-3pm

WK 2: Tuesday 6th April 2021 - Friday 9th April 2021 (4 days) 10am-3pm

£20.00 per day or £75.00 discount price for all four days.

<https://www.watfordfccsetrust.com/>

Please follow the link above to make a booking. Click on 'bookings' and then look for holiday courses within the event search.

Our holiday courses are aimed at both boys & girls aged 6-12 who are enthusiastic about football and want to learn & improve. Our coaches will provide a fun, safe and learning environment throughout the week. Our coaches will work with the players on various different skills such 1v1s, dribbling, passing, and finishing alongside small sided games.

Our holiday courses will take place on the AstroTurf pitch at the Meriden Community Centre. Please note, Players must wear shinpads and moulded football boots or AstroTurf trainers. Please bring a water bottle, water proof clothing and a packed lunch.

All our football courses have Covid-19 protocols in place which the coaches, players & parents must follow in order to create the safest environment for all.