

# Holywell News



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## Reminders:

To ensure the health and safety of everyone:

- Dogs are not permitted on school grounds.
- Please push bikes or scooters whilst on the year to prevent accidents.
- Children line up from 8.55am each day and are taken into school by their class teacher. Children are to be left in the care of their teacher on the yard (except Reception and Nursery pupils who may be accompanied to their class).
- VIDEO RECORDING OF ANY KIND IS NOT PERMITTED IN SCHOOL (INCLUDING ASSEMBLIES & PERFORMANCES). Thank you.

## NEWS

Thank you to those who participated in the 'Get off' stabilisers sessions this week for Reception and Year One children. They were a great success as the majority of children were cycling on 2 wheels with ease by the end of the sessions.

Year Four also participated in class bike rides this week and, although very chilly, they were enjoyed by all.

Thanks to Dr. Bike (aka Richard Rothwell), Margaret McQuillan, parent helpers and staff for supporting these activities—your help is greatly appreciated.

We hope to host more cycling activities in the summer term (weather permitting!).

## Important Dates:

07.03.17—Parent/Teacher consultations

07.03.17—PAF meeting 6pm

08.03.17—Parent/Teacher consultations

23.03.17—Year 1 class assembly 9am

24.03.17—Red Nose Day

27.03.17—Easter Colouring Competition out to children

03.04.17—Easter colouring competition closing date 3pm

**04.04.17—Year 3 class assembly 9am (note change of date)**

06.04.17—Easter egg competition entries MUST be in on this day 8.45am—9am ONLY

07.04.17—Easter Assembly & egg competition.

07.04.17—School closes for Easter holiday

24.04.17—Teacher Training Day

25.04.17—School resumes for the children

01.05.17—SCHOOL CLOSED—May Day

26.05.17—School closes for Half-term holiday

05.06.17—School resumes for the children

21.07.17—School breaks for summer

W/E 03.03.17

No Stars of the Week this week.

W/C 06.03.17

Banquet Table Guests—Kailem, Kim, Tamsin

### **GYMNASTIC CLUB NEWS:**

We are thrilled to announce that there are slight changes afoot to gymnastic after school clubs.

The children will now be following the British Gymnastics Proficiency Award Scheme.

The children will work towards award badges and certificates that confirm and recognise their gymnastic abilities.

Every 6 weeks the children (if they work hard in lessons) will gain a new award.



### **Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings**

Please remember your appointment time as parent/teacher consultations are taking place NEXT WEEK. If you cannot attend your appointment, please let the school office know in advance.

### **NEWS:**

Thank you for your support during our 'book week'. We welcomed parents/carers and other adults into classes every morning to share quality reading time with pupils. As well as book-themed lessons all week, we had a fancy dress day and pupils were given the opportunity to listen to adults read their favourite books. Children have spoken positively about the week. Thank you to Miss Dodds for co-ordinating the week-long project.

In recent years we have spent a significant amount of the school's budget (in excess of £5000) on books and literacy resources. Yet again we will be bolstering some of the reading boxes at the cost of approximately £5 per book. To save us from wasting precious funding, we desperately need you to check at home and send in any school books you may find. There will be an amnesty box in the library or simply send in with your child. Thank you in advance.

## **School Meals from 06.03.17: WEEK 2**

### **RED NOSE DAY—FRIDAY 24TH MARCH**

This year we will be supporting Red Nose day in school by offering the children the opportunity of coming to school in RED clothes for £1.

As the theme of the fundraising centres around 'making your laugh matter', Mrs. Reed and Mr. Wood will host a break time Joke Competition, where for 20p a joke, children can try and make them laugh. However, they are stern faced and won't crack easily! Winners who force a laugh out of them will receive a treat! So get practicing all of your best corny jokes..... the more you tell, the more money we raise!

Red Nose day biscuits will be on sale for 20p each at Break time.

Should you wish for your child to participate in the joke competition and purchase biscuits, please ensure you send them to school with additional funds. All children are asked to contribute the £1 for attending in RED non-uniform.

This is a FUNdraising charity which we are happy to support; we hope to raise lots of money as well as lots of smiles on the day.

### **School App—Please download and check for updates regularly.**



We re-launched our school App earlier in the year and at present have 107 downloads which is great! However registered user numbers could be higher.

We really do want to keep the app as another way of keeping parents/carers updated but this really depends on user numbers.

The app contains everything you would expect in a mobile phone app. There is also a function to allow users to register on the app.

To register, please click on the cog in the top right corner of the app. The unique school code for the school is 8764.

You will be asked to put in an email address so we can verify you. When you have registered you will be able to select your preferences, choosing the year groups from which you wish to receive notifications. You can choose more than one preference.