

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).
- PHOTOGRAPHY OR RECORDING OF ANY KIND IS NOT PERMITTED IN SCHOOL (INCLUDING ASSEMBLIES & PERFORMANCES).

NEWS

Thank you to our PAF members who provided the Halloween disco and refreshments for all of the children in school—even Nursery were given a sweet treat from the PAF, for which they were very grateful.

Our Halloween colouring competition winners were: Layla M, George B, Ella C, Lucy H, James W and Anna. Well done to the winners. There were some truly fabulous entries and a great deal of effort went into creating them, so thank you to all who entered.

Our PAF are also supporting our upcoming Festival of Light and will be providing refreshments for our evening of celebration and craft making (yes, it's the mulled wine and mince pies time of year again!). The event will end with refreshments and carols round the Christmas tree—we very much appreciate the PAF efforts and support.

Important Dates:

- 08 & 09.11.16—Parent/Teacher consultation evenings in school—please check your appointment slip.
- 11.11.16—Children in Need family Quiz forms out to children (return by 9am 17th November)
- 17.11.16—Children in Need family quiz entries in by 9am
- 18.11.16—Children in need fun day—details overleaf
- 25.11.16—9am Seaton Valley Council Christmas Light Competition winners awarded in school assembly.
- 25.11.16—Holywell Village Christmas Lights turn on 5pm
- 16.12.16—3pm School closes for Christmas break
- 03.01.17—TEACHER TRAINING DAY—school closed
- 04.01.17—8.55am School resumes for the children

Stars of the Week

W/E 04.11.16

Io, Kenya, Jacob, James E, Grace A, Layla A

W/C 07.11.16

Golden Table Winners—Maggie, Kim and Lucy

Polite reminder:

Jewellery is not permitted to be worn in school. We have an increasing number of children wearing earrings, which is in contravention of school policy. The school policy on jewellery states that the children may wear a watch only.

Please also note that nail varnish is not permitted to be worn for school either—we would ask that this is kept for weekends only and removed before school each Monday.

House Points Winners

W/C—31.10.15— Penguin House

Attendance Awards

This week's attendance winners were
Nursery—Well done!



Poppy Appeal



We have Poppy Appeal collection tins and poppies in school available for a donation throughout this week. We also have specific Poppy Appeal items on sale (wristbands, reflectors bracelets etc) ranging from 50p to £1.

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Children in Need—18th November 2016

Children are invited to dress SPOTacularly on this day for a £1 donation to the charity. Spots are desirable but not essential and the aim is to have fun and raise money for this worthy charity. We will also be selling biscuits at playtime for 25p each. All of these funds, along with the family quiz entry money, will go to Children in Need. We would like to make this our most successful year ever, so please support us and donate what you can!

NUMICON

If you requested and ordered a set of Numicon shapes for your child, they are ready to collect from the school office. Please bring your £2 and collect them asap.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

Early diary date warning for Christmas shows:

Tuesday 6th December AM -Early Years Nativity dress rehearsal

Tuesday 6th December PM -The Nativity Y1-4 Dress rehearsal

Wednesday 7th December-PM The Nativity Y1-4

Thursday 8th December AM -Early Years Nativity

Friday 9th December AM -The Nativity Y1-4

Ticket request/booking letter going home with all children on 16th November. Please note tickets are limited to 2 per child (with grandparents permitted to attend dress rehearsal shows) and therefore will be issued on a first come/first served basis.

School Meals Next Week: WEEK 2

Important:

Please note that photographs and videos are no longer permitted to be taken during assemblies, with immediate effect.

We had an increasing number of instances last year where images appeared on social media sites, despite requests for images taken to be only for personal use. Therefore the Head teacher and Governors have reluctantly made this decision with the safety of all children in school in mind.

REQUEST

We are looking for parents/grandparents who have time each week to come into school and help our children look after our small on-site allotment. They will need to be able to plan and help the children plant and grow flowers and produce throughout the coming year(s). Please contact the school office if you are interested. Any commitment of help is appreciated.

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.