



# FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

Without realising it, we have already been back to school for a month and half-term is almost upon is already with only two weeks to go!

The staff all showed their steely reserve and shone like the stars that they are.

**THANK YOU!**

are a very stressful time for staff and leadership; however thanks to the amazing team we have, the children were unaware of this and were all simply very excited to meet our new visitor and show off their knowledge and skills!

## REPORT



We had the unexpected company of Ofsted this week (Tuesday and Wednesday), however we continued as we always do and showcased our lovely school. The children were all amazing and really did us proud.

Thank you to everyone of you who took the time to complete the Parent View questionnaire. We got an amazing 69 responses, which is brilliant—thank you so much.

Thank you also for so many of you taking the time to email your kind words and best wishes to us; it really helped to boost morale for staff to read and hear them.

Our inspector was very thorough and lovely to everyone within school throughout the 2 day inspection.

The official report won't be released to us for a couple of weeks, however once we have it, we will share it with you.

Thank you once again for your continued support.

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## Important Weather Information

Although the weather appears to be heading to improve and get a little warmer, as you will no doubt have realised yourself in the most recent weeks, sometimes the forecasts get it entirely wrong! With this in mind, please can we ask that **ALL** children have a waterproof warm coat, waterproof boots, hat and gloves in school. Where possible we will always endeavour to get the children outside at playtime/dinnertime. However, should your child not be suitably attired for the weather they **WILL NOT** be given the opportunity (should it arise) to go outside. Please also be aware that school communal areas can get cold during temperature drops, so all children will need a sweatshirt or cardigan to wear whilst in school. We are expecting children to wear trousers or thick tights with skirts - no summer dresses or shorts should be worn when temperatures are low.

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### Save the Date....

10.03.20 & 11.03.20  
Reception to Year 4  
Parent/Teacher  
consultation Evenings

20.03.20—PAF  
clothing collection—  
start clearing out  
your wardrobes!

## SCHOOL FOOTBALL



In previous years, Holywell Village First school have had a successful football team (Yrs 2 to 4), playing in the South East Northumberland league. We have had great coaches who give up their time to train the children and take responsibility for the team, matches etc. Unfortunately due to work commitments our current coaches are unable to commit to the coming season. Therefore, before we approach the children about team interest, we need to see if there are any adults interested in taking on the coach responsibilities. You will need to hold current and applicable coaching qualifications, hold an enhanced and current DBS certificate, be first aid trained and able to commit to Saturday training as well as some midweek matches. Any interested parties, please contact Mrs. Reed.

**Operation Encompass**

**Operation Encompass Confidential parent drop in session on Monday 10th February from 2.45 to 3.15pm within school— please come to the main office.**

**Important Dates:**

- 14.02.20—Bring a bottle non-uniform day
- 14.02.20 3pm—School breaks for half-term
- 24.02.20—School resumes for the children
- 06.03.20—World Book Day story sharing & Book character dressing up day.
- 10.03.20 & 11.03.20 Parents' Evenings for Rec to Y4
- NURSERY PARENTS' EVE—Mrs Stewart will contact parents directly
- 30.03.20—PAF Film Night 3-5pm
- 01.04.20—8.45am ALL EGG ENTRIES MUST BE IN SCHOOL
- 02.04.20 9am Easter Assembly
- 02.04.20 3pm -School breaks for Easter at 3pm
- 03.04.20—Teacher Training Day
- 20.04.20—School resumes
- 08.05.20—School closed—MAY DAY/VE Day
- 22.05.20—Chocolate donation Non Uniform day



**Best Class Attendance:**

- W/E 24.01.20 Year 4—100%
- W/E 31.01.20 Year 4—98.4%
- Well Done everyone!



**Golden Table Winners:**

- W/E 24.01.20 Scarlett, Macie, Lily
- W/E 31.01.20 Ethan, Charlie, Ava



**Stars of the Week:**

- W/E: 24.01.20 Marlee, William S, Averie A, Sonny, Mason, Macie, Io, Sophia & Peyton
- W/E: 31.01.20 Ruby Y, Jacob S, Evie, Logan, Darcey, Alfie C



**EXCITING ASSEMBLY NEWS!**

We are thrilled to have Rock Steady Music School joining us on Thursday 6th February for a special assembly.

Rocksteady Music School is a peripatetic independent music service who specialise in offering an exciting and unique approach to music education by encouraging KS1 and KS2 level children to develop their skills and most importantly their confidence, as part of their very own rock band!

The assembly features electric guitar, drum kit, vocals and keyboard and focuses on playing rock and pop music in a band. The children will have the opportunity to-

- Experience contemporary rock and pop songs being played live.
- Discover electronic instruments and the different sounds they can make.
- Learn about confidence, communication and listening skills, which are needed to play together in a band.
- Get involved in an inclusive music experience, no prior experience necessary.

**Nursery 2020 Applications**

Nursery applications for September 2020 will be going out to interested parties in early March. If you have a child of eligible nursery age and you HAVE NOT registered your interest in applying for a place, please email Mrs. Reed with these details; Child's name, Child's DOB, home address, parent/carer name and telephone number.

**Class Assemblies this term:**

- 13.02.20 9am EYFS (Nursery & Reception) Assembly
  - 05.03.20 9am Year 3 Assembly
  - 19.03.20 9am Year 2 Assembly
  - 26.03.20 9am Year 1 Assembly
- Everyone welcome to attend.

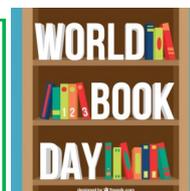
Year 4 do not have an assembly this term, as they have their very special leavers' assembly in the summer term.

**Governor News:**

Resource Management Committee will meet on 06.02.19 for their Spring Term Committee meeting. on the agenda to be discussed will be items including:

- Budget and Finance
- School Improvement Plan
- Finance Policy
- Premises and Buildings
- Staffing

Along with DT & Music co-ordinator presentations.



**World Book Day 2020 EARLY WARNING**

On this day, FRIDAY 6TH MARCH children and staff are invited to dress as their favourite book character for the day! You are also invited into school from 9am until 9:30 am on Friday 6th March to share a story in school with your child. Feel free to dress up too!