

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

### Curriculum news



On Tuesday, two teams of Year 4, 5 & 6 pupils attended a basketball skills festival. Children participated in a carousel of activities, which worked on skills such as dribbling, shooting and passing. At the end of these sessions, we played 3 short games against the other attending schools. Pleasingly, we were awarded 'Spirit of the Games' for demonstrating the best core values throughout the afternoon. *'It was great. We got learn new skills and then use them in games at the end'* Henry S *'We worked hard on teamwork and when we did it was much better'*. Eva G  
Mrs E Wright

Children in Reception and Year 2 enjoyed learning music this week in different ways. Reception visited the conservation area to make their musical instruments, whilst Year 2 created their own music using Chrome music lab.



### Responsibility

Responsibility is one of our key values and there are many opportunities for children to take on roles of responsibility at Holbrook and contribute to the smooth running the school. The Digital Leads help in many ways; taking care of the technology, helping their peers (and teachers) and helping us stay safe online. Our Reading Ambassadors love books and promoting Reading with others. They help run the library, attend meetings with Mrs Reeves, organising book sales and much much more.



Digital Leads	Reading Ambassadors
Year 3 – Theodore, Naomi, Jacob & Gracie	Year 2 – Rose, George, Tristan & Niamh
Year 4 - Samuel M, Marcy, Jamie & India	Year 3 – Albert, Darcy, Lillie & Henry
Year 5 - James, Kayleigh, Ben & Lily	Year 4 – Isobel, Max, Cerys & Reuben
Year 6 - James, Victoria, Jathan & George	Year 5 – Iris, Thomas, Daniella, Jess
	Year 6 – Ted, Willow, Evie & Henry

### House Cup

The winner of the House Cup this week is Centaurs – well done!

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
364	304	285	316



### Safeguarding

The NSPCC website is a good source of information and guides about how to help children who are worried or anxious. The link can be found [here](#).

## Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is chocolate bunnies and consequences – see below.

# TAKEHOME

17 - 23 October



## In the news this week

If we do something wrong,  
who should decide the consequences?



Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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All Lidl chocolate bunnies are to be melted after chocolate maker, Lindt, said they looked too similar to their own bunny shaped chocolate treat. The Federal Supreme Court of Switzerland said that regardless of whether Lidl's packaging was golden or a different colour, they had too much similarity. The ruling banned the supermarket from selling the bunnies and ordered ones already produced to be destroyed.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Do you think it was the right decision to make Lidl melt down all the chocolate bunnies? Can you suggest any different ways the issue could have been resolved?
- Have you ever heard the saying, 'what goes around comes around'? Has anyone at home ever said it? What do you imagine it means and do you agree?

## Sickness and absence

A reminder that when children suffer from sickness or diarrhoea they should definitely be kept off school until **at least 48 hours** after their symptoms have gone. If you keep your child away from school, be sure to inform the school office on the first day of their absence by phone. It is also really helpful to know what ailment your child is suffering from, as this enables staff to monitor any outbreaks of sickness/illness. For more guidance and information to NHS guidelines please use this [link](#).

## Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>HALF TERM break</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	School closed for INSET day
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Flu vaccinations
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Y1 trip to Lewes Castle
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	School photographs - individuals
Tues 8 <sup>th</sup> & Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Parent Consultations
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance service
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Y4 Trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 trip to Newhaven Fort
<b>Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Y1/2 Nativity to Y1 Parents</b>
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert at St. Mary's church
<b>Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Y1/2 Nativity to Y2 Parents</b>
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas assemblies at St. Marks church

<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>EYFS Nativity to Parents</b>
<b>Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Christmas Lunch</b>
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of the Autumn term
<b>Spring 2023</b>	
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	First day of the Spring term

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes