

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

### Curriculum news

Every year group has been working on a whole school Art project recently. The children have been discovering and learning about a diverse range of artists, skills and techniques to produce a self-portrait using a variety of media. Please take a look at the slideshow available [here](#) which displays the children's artistic talents.

### Competition Winner

Congratulations to Molly Tinmouth (Robins) for winning the 'Design a Light' competition on behalf of Horsham District Council. The competition invited local pre and primary school children to submit designs as suggestions for a new Horsham Town Centre Christmas light motif.

There was a very high standard of entries and the judges had a difficult task of picking a winner. The judges chose Molly's reindeer, and Gala Lights confirmed that the design was suitable for manufacturing and created the mock-up graphic, which has received great feedback from all who have seen it. The installation of the reindeer will be seen in the Forum and Molly will be invited to the switch-on.

**Horsham Christmas Lights Competition 2022**

Thank you to our judges:

- A Girl In Her Shed
- Annie's Closet
- Brick Bus
- Busylizzy
- By Jove Media
- Chococo
- Composure
- Harris Lord Recruitment
- Katrina Smith Travel Counsellors
- Little Notes
- Make Do And Trend
- Perfect Start Nurseries
- Pretty Things
- Screen Social
- Shelleys Venue Decoration
- Vacalola

**Red-Nosed Reindeer by Molly age 7**

COMMUNITY CHAMPION

### School Council

The children in years 2 – 6 have recently elected their new School council representatives this week and received their blue badges (below) in assembly today. They will meet with Miss Veal and me next week and we look forward to discussing how we can make Holbrook school an even better place to learn, help make decisions about how the school is run and take on projects that support the children's learning and development, such as organising charity events.

Class	Name	Class	Name
Hawks	Freya Holton	Falcons	Imogen Affleck
Owls	Meagan Rotherham	Eagles	Archie Jones
Woodpeckers	Angelica Plaska	Kingfishers	Lily McCann
Wrens	Annie Plummer	Robins	Molly Tinmouth
Foxes	Erin Sheridan	Squirrels	Ava Coppeard



## House Cup

The winner of the first House Cup of the term is Dragons – well done!

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
347	457	314	377



## Harvest Festival

A reminder that we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival next Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October with special assemblies led by Reverend Coldicott. Members of the new School Council will be on hand to accept donations of (non-perishable) food items at the school gates. Thank you for your support.

## Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is competitions – see below.




## In the news this week

The popular dance competition, Strictly Come Dancing, has returned to TV screens. The 20<sup>th</sup> series of the competition has the show's largest ever line-up of professional dancers. Fifteen celebrities are competing for the glitterball this year, including presenters Kym Marsh and Helen Skelton, former footballer Tony Adams, Paralympic gold medallist Ellie Simmonds, EastEnders actor James Bye and singer Matt Goss.

**Things to talk about at home ...**

- Share any competitions that you may have taken part in. Do you enjoy it when things are competitive? What about others at home?
- Do you prefer watching or taking part in competitions?
- Considering the phrase 'it's the taking part that counts' – what do you think it means and do you agree?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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

Autumn 2022	
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest Festival
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	Royal Opera House Workshop Y3
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Reception Parent Information meetings</b>
<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
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Y5 trip to Newhaven Fort</b>

Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert at St. Mary's church
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas assemblies at St. Marks church
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