

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Pupil achievements

This week we celebrate and congratulate Riley Baker (6H) for his **Green Card**.

House Cup

The winners of the House Cup will be announced next week



Karate Spelling – Theodore Mikhalev, Naomi Walsh (Squirrels), Oliver Woodward, Sunny Bala, Amber Bell (Foxes)

Curriculum news



Y4 spent the afternoon birdwatching in preparation for the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch this weekend.

We saw lots of birds but the most popular one was the wood pigeon and the least popular bird was the chaffinch. It was a good experience and everyone enjoyed it- Marni and Josie



Bird Boxes

Mr Clough, father of Ava (3B) and Amelia (Rabbits) has very kindly made and donated two bird boxes to the school. We hope they will attract some birds to nest when we place them in the conservation area. Thank you Mr Clough.



Children's Mental Health week 2022



The week beginning 7th February is national Children's Mental Health week. The theme this year is Growing Together. The children will be engaging in several activities in school to support this. There is lots of information about Children's Mental Health and what you can do if you have concerns about a child on the website www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/ and www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/. Thank you for supporting this important cause.

Mrs Chapman

Parent workshops

We are hoping to resume our parent workshop programme in February, covid restrictions permitting. The first two workshops are focused on Phonics and Supporting Children's Social & Emotional Development respectively. Further details have been sent separately.

Safeguarding

Holbrook Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. If you have any concerns about a child, please report your concerns to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads. These are Mrs Davies, Mrs Brooks and me. You can speak to us via the office or our email address dsl@holbrookprimaryschool.com



If you are concerned about the welfare of a child, or you think a child is being harmed, abused or neglected, you can also report your concerns using the [online form](#) on the West Sussex County Council website. The online form is the best way of reporting your concerns, but if you would prefer to report your concerns by telephone, you can do so using the following telephone numbers:

01403 229900 (Monday to Friday between 09:00 and 17:00)

03302 226664 (if you require the Emergency Duty Team outside of office hours)

Diary Dates

Spring 2022	
Tuesday 1 st February	Y4 Indoor Athletics Competition
Wednesday 9 th February	The Forest school visit Y5 pupils
Friday 11 th February	Phonics workshop for EYFS parents
Monday 14 th February	Parent workshop (social/emotional development)
21 st – 25 th February	HALF TERM
Monday 28 th February	School closed for INSET day
w/c Mon 7 th & Mon 14 th March	Parent Consultations
Thursday 24 th March	Annual Governors' Day
Friday 8 th April	Last day of the Spring term

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Ian Holmes