

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

### Pupil achievements

This week we celebrate and congratulate the following children and their achievements;

**Green Cards** – Evie Brown, Sophie Holmes, Amelie Thomas (6H), Sidney Geal, Cate Muller (6K), Marni Evans, Brooke Bell, Takara Henning, Rory Quilter (4N), Isabel Hawkins, Charlie Wills, Jack Bethell, Izzy Duffield, Ella Shepherd (4F)



**Silver Merit** – Evie Alobaidi (6K)

**Karate Spelling** – Samurai: Sidney Geal (6K) Grandmaster: Daniel Taylor, Emma Hampson, Lauren Stroud, Freya Morris (6K)

### House Stars

This week's House Stars chosen by the House Captains are;

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
James Spiers 4N	George Beale 5V	Amelie Thomas 6H	Rhys Morse 5N



### Curriculum news



Year 3 pupils took part in an Indoor Athletics Competition this week, our first inter-school sporting fixture for a long time. The Holbrook squad finished a creditable fourth place and were commended on their hard work, enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

### Governor profile

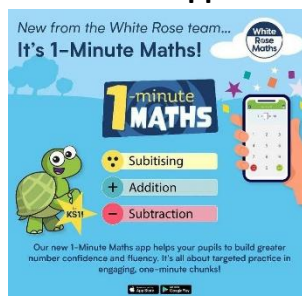
We would like to introduce you to our governors through a short profile and photo.

*Hello, my name is Shirley Gardner and I was delighted to join Holbrook as a co-opted Governor. I wanted to offer my expertise as a retired teacher! In my spare time, I really enjoy walking, reading and crafts!*

*My favourite subject at school was history and when I was a kid, I wanted to be a Doctor when I grew up.*



## White Rose App



We would like let you know about a new maths app that is free to download. It is designed by White Rose for KS1 children to use home to support their work in school. The 1-Minute Maths app helps children build greater number confidence and fluency in one-minute chunks!

*Miss Swift & Mrs Nicholls (Maths Team)*

## Big Garden Birdwatch 2022

The RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you are a complete beginner or a birding expert. Simply count the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or in your local park for one hour between 28 and 30 January 2022. Click [here](#) for further details. BBC Countryfile also has great tips about how to do the birdwatch at home [here](#).



## Safeguarding

A reminder that the KS2 Adventure trail should not be used before or after school – please keep an eye on younger siblings to ensure their safety. Thank you

## Vaccinations – Walk-in option this weekend

Local health services are trying to increase uptake of vaccines in our younger population to limit the spread and impact on their education. Christs Hospital Horsham RH13 0YB have unlimited WALK IN vaccinations for children ages 12 years old and over from 8:30 -12:30 on Saturday 22nd of January. They have many options to make it safe and comfortable for the children to have their vaccines.

## Diary Dates

Spring 2022	
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> January	Y5& Y6 Dodgeball Festival
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	Y4 Indoor Athletics Competition
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	The Forest school visit Y5 pupils
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	Parent workshop (social/emotional development)
21 <sup>st</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> February	HALF TERM
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	School closed for INSET day
w/c Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> & Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Parent Consultations
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Annual Governors' Day
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of the Spring term

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Holmes'.

Ian Holmes