

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

Learn with the Lords

Today the School Council enjoyed a virtual meeting with Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson, the former Paralympian who is now a member of the House of Lords. Baroness Grey-Thompson talked to the children about the important work that is done in the upper chambers of Parliament and then the children had the opportunity to ask her some questions. It was very interesting to hear how our laws and democracy work and everyone was impressed with her dedication to the job.



Sports

On Friday 26th May, 5 children represented the school in a Tennis singles competition at Horsham Sports Club. Raghav and Tristan finished 2nd and 5th respectively in the Year 3&4 event and Liam, George and Jathan finished in 4th, 5th and 6th in the Year 5&6 event. Well done to all the children involved for representing the school to such a high standard.

Mrs E Wright

Y6 Bikeability

Year 6 enjoyed their Bikeability course organised by the West Sussex Bikeability team. They learned how to ride safely on the roads and were taught how to use the correct signals for turning when doing so. All children gained confidence on their bikes and are looking forward to putting their new found skills to the test. Well done Y6.



House Cup

The winner of the House Cup this week and the first time this term is Unicorns – well done!

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
270	308	292	317

Author visit

We are delighted to welcome award-winning author and illustrator Sophy Henn to Holbrook Primary School on Tuesday 21st June to talk to our Year 2, 3 and 4 pupils. This is going to be a fun interactive event and Sophy will be talking about Pizazz, her best-selling chapter book series, doing a draw-along with the children and talking about what inspires her. Sophy will be signing books on the day if your child would like to purchase one. Books will be available to purchase in the area outside the year 3 classrooms from 8.30am on 21st. Please see the separate Parentmail for further details.

Attendance

We are pleased to announce that Holbrook Primary School was in the top 10% of Primary Schools in England for attendance during the Spring Term, according to Fischer Family Trust data. Thank you for your support in ensuring your child's attendance is the best it can be.



Safeguarding – Sun safety

The children have been reminded about staying safe in the sun – namely to drink plenty of water, apply sunscreen before school, bring a hat and move to the shade if they get too hot playing.

One of the cars parked in the layby outside the KS1 playground was damaged just before half-term. It is thought that the damage may have been caused by bicycle handles/brakes. Please take care when walking along the pavements around the school, so that people and cars are safe from harm. Thank you.

Picture News

This week we have been learning about what we can do to help the environment marking World Environment Day and World Oceans Day. The topic for discussion is **'Is it better to reuse or recycle?'** – see below.

TAKEHOME



In the news this week

Ahead of World Environment Day on 5th June, a new report from the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) has announced that countries could cut plastic pollution by 80% in fewer than 20 years. The last few decades have seen plastic production levels increase dramatically, especially single-use plastic, and waste management systems are struggling to cope. The report offers a plan of action for governments and businesses to significantly cut levels of plastic pollution.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Thinking about your own use of packaging, how often do you recycle?
- When you are using or buying things, do you (or the person responsible for your shopping at home) think about the materials your food and beverages come in?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Hot Meals Ordering Cut off dates-

June Cut off Dates	July Cut off Dates
Thursday 15/6 for w/c Mon 26/6 Thursday 22/6 for w/c Mon 3/7 Thursday 29/6 for w/c Mon 10/7	Thursday 6/7 for w/c Monday 17/7
	August Cut off Dates TBC
	Thursday 24/8 for w/c Monday 4/9

Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

SUMMER TERM	
Tuesday 20 th June	Anti-Bullying Ambassadors training
Wednesday 28 th June	Sports Day KS2 am - KS1 pm
Friday 30 th June	Y2 trip to Drusillas
Saturday 1 st July	FOH Summer Fayre
Monday 3 rd – Weds 5 th July	Y4 Sayers Croft trip
Wednesday 5 th July	Y6 transition day to secondary schools
Tuesday 11 th July	Y6 Play 7pm
Wednesday 12 th July	Y6 Play 7pm
Wednesday 12 th July	Reception trip to Washbrook Farm
Thursday 13 th July	Open Afternoon
Friday 14 th July	Y6 Picnic
Monday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly
Tuesday 18 th July	Y6 BBQ

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



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