

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

Author visit

On Wednesday 21st June, Years 2, 3, 4 and the Reading Ambassadors were lucky enough to have a visit from author of the popular Pizazz books, Sophy Henn. Sophy talked to everyone about why she became an author and illustrator, showed us about how comic books are designed and showed us how to draw her character Pizazz, as well as creating our very own Holbrook Superhero! Come and see the display in our new library to find out more!

Thank you to the Book Nook for organising the event, and to all the parents who ordered books for their children. *Mrs Reeves*



Sports Leaders

On Tuesday, our first group of Sports Leaders led lunchtime activities for our Year 2 Foxes class. The Year 5s have been working hard for 8 weeks, building up a range of different leadership skills. It was wonderful to see our older and younger pupils collaborating today and the rest of the leaders will be running their activities next week, with a view to taking on a more permanent role in September. *Mrs E Wright*



Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

We are proud to introduce you to our new anti-bullying ambassadors, who will join our current team. Charlotte, Max, Calum and Millie took part in a day of training run by the Diana Award charity, in order to become an anti-bullying ambassador.

The children learnt about bullying behaviour and different strategies to tackle this in school. It was an intensive day, but the children were amazing and have already started planning ideas for the team to implement next year.



We are looking forward to sports day on Wednesday the 28th June. KS2 will take part in the morning and KS1 in the afternoon. Parents are welcome to come along and cheer the children on. Please enter school via the KS2 gate, from 9am for

KS2 and 1.20pm for KS1. To ensure we keep the children safe, the gate will only be open for 15 minutes, so please arrive promptly. Minimal seating will be available, so please do bring seating of your own, if you wish.



Cricket

On Thursday, 10 Year 5&6 Girls entered this summer's cricket competition at Billingshurst CC. They won their first and last games, losing against some experienced teams in between, although one game by only 2 runs! They played extremely well as a team and gained huge confidence as the day progressed, with some excellent batting, catching and bowling on display - well done girls!

Mrs E Wright

Year 1 Victorian Day

Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their Victorian Day yesterday. They were very fortunate to have the support of Marky Wild (www.markywild.co.uk) who gave up his time to provide an amazing Punch and Judy show for our Victorian Seaside Day. It really took us back to Victorian times and we all thoroughly enjoyed it.

Mrs J Wright & Mrs Geisler



Music

We are delighted to have been awarded the Music Mark from the UK Association for Music Education. This is in recognition of Holbrook's commitment to providing a high-quality music education for all of our pupils.



House Cup

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

Centaurs	Dragons	Phoenix	Unicorns
367	345	304	357

Safeguarding - online safety

Just a reminder that children using social media apps outside of school can cause difficulties in school affecting learning and behaviour. Here is a reminder of the required minimum ages for social media access. The infographic shows that children at primary school should not be accessing any of these apps or social media. This is because children of primary age quite often do not have the maturity and understanding required to use this technology appropriately. We appreciate your support with this and will continue to teach the children about online safety and the importance of being polite and showing respect to others when communicating online.



Picture News

This week the topic for discussion is 'How has travel changed our lives?' – see below.



In the news this week



How has travel changed our lives?

Within the next ten years, people may be able to travel between London and Sydney in just two hours by journeying through space on a sub-orbital flight. The current length of a traditional flight between London, UK, and Sydney, Australia, is at least 20-22 hours and usually entails a stop-off to refuel along the way. A sub-orbital flight involves launching a spacecraft to an altitude above the Kármán line (the boundary of space).

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your experience of all the different types of transport you have encountered. E.g. bikes, cars, planes, ferries. Which is your favourite way to travel and why?
- > Do you think you would like to travel on a sub-orbital flight? Why?
- > How do you believe suborbital travel could change the world?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

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Hot Meals Ordering Cut off dates-

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

Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

SUMMER TERM	
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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