

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Holbrook Curriculum

Year 3 Greek day

On Wednesday, Year 3 pupils took part in a Greek workshop as part of our Ancient Greek history learning. There were some amazing Ancient Greek style costumes on show and the children made clay pots, and shields. In the afternoon, we held a banquet and ate feta, olives, dates, pitta bread, grapes and honey cake.

Mrs Reeves & Mrs Nicholls



Holbrook Mini-Marathon

Well done to all the children for completing the mini marathon last week. It was a fantastic whole school event, embraced by both pupils and staff alike and we are delighted to have raised over £1100 towards the Thinking Garden. Year 3 were also treated to handling a finisher's medal from the full London Marathon from their Jolf Coach, Neil. It's not too late to donate via this link

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/holbrook-primary-school>



Y6 SATs



Well done to all of our Year 6 pupils who approached their week of KS2 SATs with determination and resilience. They kept calm and gave their best throughout the week and should be very proud of themselves. We are definitely extremely proud of their effort and positive attitudes.

Did you know?

We have families from many different ethnic backgrounds and children who speak 26 different home languages! We are proud to be a diverse community at Holbrook Primary School, sharing and celebrating the rich cultural differences this brings to our school, whenever we can. Our PSHE & RE curriculums and assemblies explore cultural festivals, look at language and provide an opportunity to discuss cultural and social stereotypes. We promote respect of each other's differences and identities, so that our children leave Holbrook prepared for life in modern Britain.



Meet The Governors



Hi, my name is Stuart McLaughlin. I was a secondary teacher for 37 years spending the last 17 as a headteacher serving four different schools across two local authorities (Brighton and Havering). I retired from headship in April 2020 and have been working as a part time education consultant since then. I have been a governor of two primary schools before joining Holbrook and also have experience of governance at two post 16 colleges. I live locally and my granddaughter attends the school. When not working I love cycling and am a member of Horsham Cycling Club. I'm also a mad sports fan, played cricket for Roffey for many years and support the mighty Spurs (and bear all the psychological scars!)

Picture News

This week's topic for discussion is **'Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions?'** – see below.



In the news this week

An all-girls football team has won a league dominated by boys' teams, after going unbeaten for an entire season. The Queens Park Ladies U12s finished top of their table with eighteen wins in the group of eleven boys' teams. They were the only girls' team in the Bournemouth Youth Football League, playing in its third division for under-12s. The players, who train twice a week, have now proved themselves against the other teams.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Share your thoughts on why you think some other teams pre-judged the Queens Park Ladies U12s.
- > Have you ever experienced a time when someone has made an assumption about you that has been wrong or unfair?



Is it fair to judge others based on first impressions?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES	
CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
23rd May 2024	3rd June 2024
30th May 2024	10th June 2024
6th June 2024	17th June 2024

13th June 2024	24th June 2024
20th June 2024	1st July 2024
27th June 2024	8th July 2024
4 th July 2024	15 th July 2024
11 th July 2024	22 nd July 2024

Diary dates (new dates will appear in bold)

SUMMER TERM	
Mon 20 th May	Y5 Egyptian Museum
Wednesday May 22 nd	Class Photos
Thursday 23 rd May	FOH Non uniform day-cash donations please
Friday 24 th May	INSET Day – school closed
Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st May	HALF TERM
Tuesday 11 th June	EYFS trip to Washbrooks Farm
Friday 7 th June	FOH Non uniform day- bottles please
Saturday 15 th June	FOH Summer Fayre
Wednesday 19 th June	Sports day -KS2 am EYFS/KS1 pm
Thursday 27 th June	Y2 trip to Drusillas Zoo
Monday 1 st – Weds 3 rd July	Y4 Sayers Croft trip
Wednesday 3 rd July	Y6 transition day to secondary schools
Sunday 7 th July	Horsham Children’s Parade

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes
Headteacher