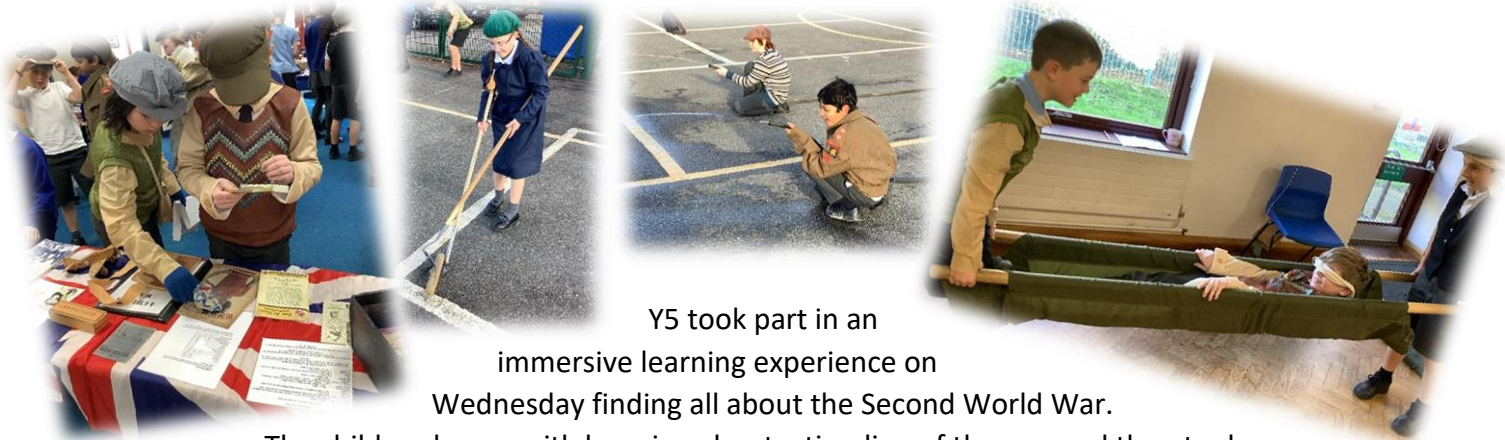


Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Curriculum news

Y5 World War II workshop



Y5 took part in an immersive learning experience on Wednesday finding all about the Second World War.

The children began with learning about a timeline of the war and then took part in some hands on experiences to find out more, including; first aid, using a stretcher and bandaging injures, what it was like to be a warden in the blitz and finding out more by looking at the range of war memorabilia.

Y3/4 Badminton



This week children from year three and four were selected to take part in a fun badminton skills festival. The afternoon consisted of a carousel of activities which included all the skills needed to play this fun game. Children as always were well-behaved, displayed great team work and enjoyed the events a great deal.

More learning that has been taking place this week include a fabulous lego maths board in Year 1 and some geographical skills outside in Year 3.



EYFS & KS1 Reading morning

It was lovely to see so many parents/carers at our first 'Read with your child' event this morning. Don't worry if you couldn't make it today, as these will be happening every Friday morning just after drop-off 8:35 – 8:55am.



STEM WEEK 2025 (10th – 14th March)

The STEM team are very excited to announce that we are organising a STEM week in March 2025. Throughout the week, children will engage in activities linked to: science, computing, maths and DT. We would like to invite people from our local community to come and talk to the children about their role within STEM. Our aim is to inspire our children and raise the profile of these subjects in school.

If you, or someone you know, has a job in STEM and would be happy to talk about it in an assembly, please can you contact Mrs Dodsley (falcons@holbrookprimaryschool.com). This could include roles within: IT, technology, design, engineering, geology, biology, chemistry, physics, maths, AI and medicine.
Thank you, *STEM TEAM*



KS2 open morning

We would like to invite you to our KS2 Open Morning on Friday 29th November, which will take place just after drop-off 8:45 - 10:00am. This is an informal opportunity to come and see us in action, as well as sharing in the learning of your child/children. There will be a variety of activities happening in the classrooms, which will give you a taste of what and how the children learn at Holbrook. We appreciate that many parents will be working but it would be lovely to see you at this time if you are able to come.

Safeguarding – Be Safe, Be Seen

This week has been Road Safety week and as we approach shorter daylight hours, whether you walk, cycle, use public transport or drive, make sure you can be seen. Take a look at the photos below. The same child is in both photos. The only difference is how they're dressed.

So, ensure your child can be seen with something bright – clothes, hi-vis vests, reflectors, reflective strips, torches etc. The brighter the better!



Friends of Holbrook

Thank you for your donations so far for the Christmas Fair taking place on Saturday 7th December 11am – 2pm. The FoH team are working hard to make this another festive success that is enjoyed by our community and raises invaluable funds for the school. All offers of help (however small) are welcome. Sign up volunteersignup.org/YBYQ9 to help.

Favourite tree competition

Mrs Filson was overwhelmed by the entries into the competition, which made it very difficult to judge. Well done to our winners Rayan in Y2 and Amelie in Y3 and the runners up James in Y2 and Cerys in Y6.



Picture News

This week the topic for discussion is ‘How can we raise awareness of important issues?’ – see below.

TAKEHOME

25th November - 1st December



Earthshot Prize 2024

In the news this week

This year's Earthshot Prize winners have been announced. Prince William, who launched the prize in 2020, closed the award ceremony in Cape Town, South Africa. The Earthshot Prize celebrates and supports people and companies working to provide innovative solutions for climate and environmental issues. The winners include projects to protect animals, handle rubbish and prevent wasted energy.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > Can you tell someone at home a bit more about the Earthshot Prize?
- > Do you believe awards are a good way of raising awareness about important issues?
- > Have you ever taken part in or contributed to a project with the aim of helping protect and look after the world? Ask others at home whether they have.

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

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CHARTWELLS ORDER CUT OFF DATES

CUT OFF DATE Thursday 23:59	FOR WEEK COMMENCING
28 th November	9 th December
05 th December	16 th December- <i>Christmas Lunch week</i>
26 th December	6 th January 2025
2 nd January	13 th January

Diary Dates (new additions in bold)	
Friday 29th November	KS2 Open Morning
Friday 6 th December	FOH Non-Uniform day- bottle donations please
Sat 7 th December	FOH Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 10 th December	KS1 Nativity to Y1 parents 9.15
Wed 11 th December	KS1 Nativity to Y2 parents 9.15
Thursday 12 th December	EYFS Nativity to parents 2.15
Thursday 12 th December	KS2 Carols at St Mary's 7pm
Friday 13 th December	Christmas assemblies at St Marks
Wed 18 th December	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 th December	Last day of term

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,



Ian Holmes
Headteacher