

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Sports news



30 children from year 2 took part in an athletics festival at the Bridge on Wednesday. Unfortunately, the rainy weather meant that we had to take the athletics



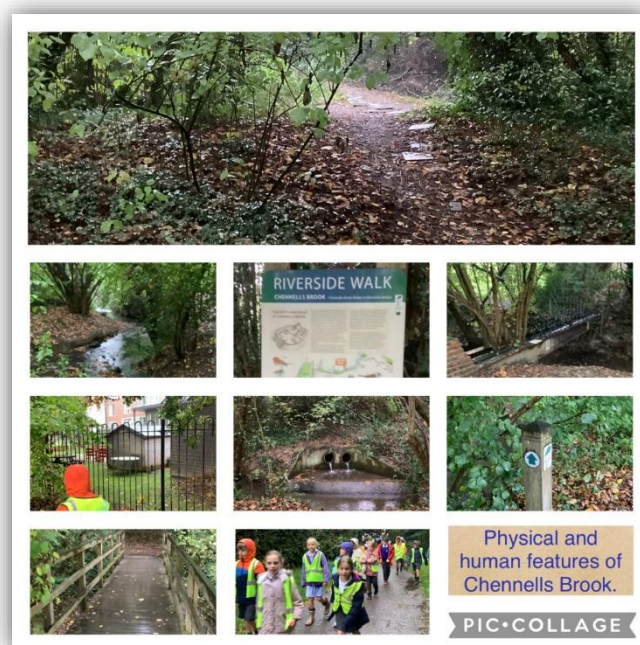
indoors, but this did not stop the children having lots of fun and trying out new skills such as learning to high jump! The children were fantastically behaved and represented Holbrook beautifully.

Curriculum news

Year 2 pupils finished off their science topic 'Living things and their habitats' by making a bug hotel



Year 4 pupils collected data about a river when they went on their riverside walk this week



Poppy Appeal



After half term, we will be offering pupils the opportunity to purchase a poppy for Remembrance Sunday. Poppies will be on sale from Monday 2nd November until Tuesday 10th November. Please note that it will be a silver/gold collection only, with a suggested minimum of 20p.

Parent Consultations

We look forward to meeting with you at our Parents' Consultation Evenings after half term. Before the meetings, we will email a report via Insight showing your child's attainment in reading, writing and maths, along with their attendance. We hope this provides a helpful opportunity to celebrate achievements and discuss any areas where further support may be beneficial.



What is the PTA, and why does it matter?

Friends of Holbrook is our school's PTA, a partnership between parents, carers and staff, working together for our children. We're a registered charity, run by volunteers, and separate from the school, so every penny we raise is spent on extras the school budget can't stretch to. We run events that bring our school community together. Every event you come to and every hour you give goes straight back to our children.

Your new PTA team will be introducing ourselves soon, along with what we're fundraising for this year and future activities!

🎄 **Save the date: Christmas Fayre** 🎄

Saturday 28 November, Holbrook Primary School

Crafts, games, tombolas, tasty treats and more. Full details and ways to help coming soon!

Could you be a class rep?

We're looking for one or two parents in each class to share PTA news in their class WhatsApp group and help us find volunteers for events. It's a small role and a great way to get involved.

Interested? Message Holly on 07495784882 by Monday 26th October. If more than two parents put themselves forward for a class, reps will be picked at random.

Thank you,
Laura Thompson- Chair, Friends of Holbrook



Reminder

As autumn moves towards winter, please ensure that your child returns to school with a coat and the correct uniform after half-term, thank you.

Football opportunity

The Chelsea FC Player Development Centres provide boys and girls aged U6-U16 with the opportunity to receive additional coaching in a structured development environment. The poster here contains details of local venues and information on how families can register for a free trial session.

If any parents have questions or would like further information, they are welcome to contact them directly at soccerschools@chelseafc.com.



DIARY DATES (new dates added in bold)	
Fri 23 rd Oct	Inset day-school closed to pupils
Mon 26 th - Fri 30 th Oct	HALF TERM
Tues 3 rd Nov	Parent Consultations
Wed 4 th Nov	Photo day
Thurs 5 th Nov	Parent Consultations
Fri 13 th Nov	Y1 Trip to Hever Castle
Fri 20 th Nov	Y5 Trip to Newhaven Fort
Tues 24 th Nov	Y4 trip to Fishbourne Roman Palace
Tues 8 th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y1 Parents
Wed 9 th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y2 Parents
Thurs 10 th Dec	EYFS Nativity to Parents
Thurs 10 th Dec	KS2 Carols at St Marys

Have a restful and enjoyable half-term.

Kind regards,

Ian Holmes
Headteacher