Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.



Year 5 Visit to Newhaven Fort

On Friday 20th November, Year 5 enjoyed an exciting and informative trip to Newhaven Fort! The children had a fantastic opportunity to step back in time, explore the fort and learn all about its fascinating history. It was a brilliant day filled with discovery, interesting facts and lots of enthusiasm. The children represented the school wonderfully and had a great time bringing their history learning to life!

Year 4 Visit to Fishbourne Roman Villa

Year 4 had a fantastic trip on Tuesday to Fishbourne Roman Palace. They had great fun exploring the palace gardens, looking at the amazingly preserved mosaics and taking part in a hands on workshop where they could pretend to be Roman citizens. The children were really engaged and enthusiastic and represented Holbrook brilliantly.





Sports news



Y3 Games Festival

On Wednesday, some of Year 3 went to the Bridge to participate in a Team Games festival. They tried lacrosse, dodgeball, basketball and clutchball. The children were so proud of their achievements learning new skills. The children all said it was fantastic!

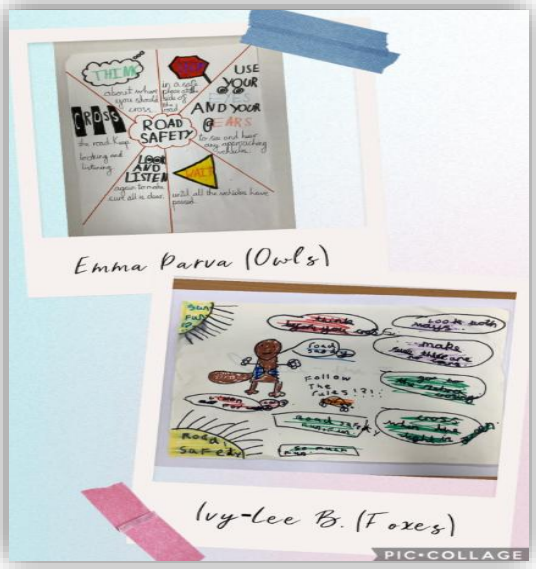
Holbrook pupils in the news

The Autumn Piano Recital was last Sunday 22nd November at Ellen's Green Memorial Hall, Furzen Lane, Horsham. Both children played the piano beautifully. I was so delighted Amelie and Zachary were able to attend and perform. There were young pianists performing from five schools in the area and I can certainly say these two children represented Holbrook Primary School impeccably well. Huge well done to both children (they have certificates presented too)!

Mrs MacNamara



Road Safety poster competition

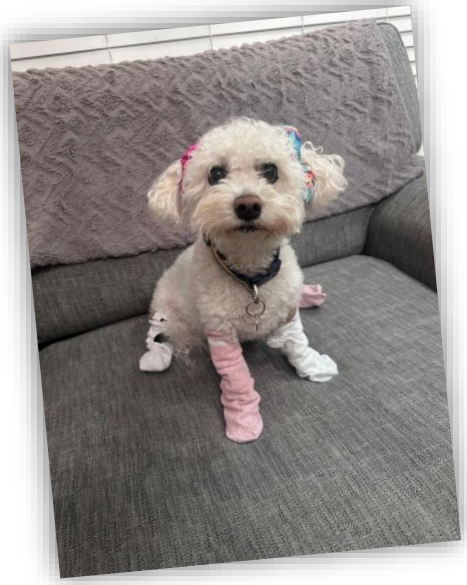


We had over 80 entries to our Road Safety competition, so a big Thank you and well done to everyone who entered. Mrs Nye (our lollipop lady) chose two winners – Emma P and Ivy-Lee B.



Anti-Bullying week Odd Socks on your pet competition

The Anti-Bullying Ambassadors chose the following pet photos as their winners. Congratulations to Connie G, Blake P, Everly and Marley H.









Friends of Holbrook

Thank you for your donations for the Friends of Holbrook Christmas Fayre taking place tomorrow Saturday 28th November 12-3pm. The organisers have been working hard to ensure that this annual event is enjoyed by all. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to help. We look forward to seeing you.

Our Christmas Fayre is tomorrow! 🎄

Join us on Saturday 28 November, 12–3pm. Entry is £1 per adult, and children go free.

What's on

🎧 Silent disco, kindly sponsored by Kicks Dance. Book a slot with your friends here: https://www.pta-events.co.uk/holbrookprimaryschool/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=126209

🧝 Elf Craft Workshop

📸 Festive photo booth, perfect for family memories

🎯 Games, tombolas and homemade cakes

🎁 Local stalls for your Christmas shopping

👕 Pre-loved school uniform

🎨 Free activities, so there's something for every child to enjoy

🍽️ Hot food and drinks

Timings

12:00: doors open

1:00–1:30: our school choir performs in the main hall 🎶 Join in with the whole family for a sing-along of *We Wish You a Merry Christmas*!

2:15: raffle draw.

3:00: close

Still bringing a bake? You're welcome to bring it tomorrow. Please keep all bakes nut-free, attach an ingredients list to each item and clearly mark any allergens.

Card and cash are both welcome on the day.

Thank you for all your donations, and for helping us raise funds for our children's school. See you tomorrow!

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Diary dates

DIARY DATES (new dates added in bold)	
Sat 28th Nov	FOH Christmas Fayre 12-3pm
Tues 8th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y1 Parents
Wed 9th Dec	KS1 Nativity to Y2 Parents
Thurs 10th Dec	EYFS Nativity to Parents
Thurs 10th Dec	KS2 Carols at St Marys
Wed 16th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Friday 18th Dec	Last day of term
Monday 4th Jan	INSET DAY- school closed to pupils
w/c 11th Jan	Clubs start

Upcoming local events

This is an exciting opportunity for children (of all singing abilities) to be part of a Youth Musical Production of '*Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*' that we will be putting on at St Mary's Church on the Causeway in the New Year.

This is the sixth consecutive annual youth production that we will be putting together, the previous five have been so much fun and a great success. Children from primary schools across Horsham and the surrounding area have taken part, and they get to be coached by our very talented musical director and his team, and have the opportunity to be part of a professional show in our beautiful church.

The performances will be on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th March 2027 and rehearsals will be at St Mary's Church on the Causeway on Thursday evenings from 5.30-6.30pm starting on 7th January.



Laura Fletcher
Horsham Parish Operations Manager



Have a lovely weekend. I hope to see many of you tomorrow at the Friends of Holbrook Christmas Fayre.
Kind regards,

Ian Holmes
Headteacher