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The Holme C of E Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Issue 7
23rd October 2020

Week 7!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Half term is here! This half term seems to have flown by, although in other ways it seems like I have been with you for years, not weeks! I'd like to start by thanking you all so much for making me feel so welcome at The Holme. I have thoroughly enjoyed the last few weeks, getting to know you all and of course getting to know your lovely children! It did occur to me that some of you might not have met me yet. I have tried to be out on the gate most mornings but please do introduce yourselves to me if we haven't already met.

We had an exciting start to the week this week, with the filming of our virtual video tour of the school. I felt very proud as I showed our filmmaker around and talked about all the wonderful things we do at The Holme. I am waiting for the draft version to come my way. Once I have seen it and thoroughly checked that it complies with permissions etc., it will be available for you and prospective parents to view on our school website. On that note, please do spread the word amongst any of your friends who might be in the process of choosing a school for their child on how amazing we are here! Thank you.

Thank you, also, so much for your support around mask wearing on site this week—again it is very much appreciated and I have particularly enjoyed seeing all of your different types of masks on your way into school. Also thank you again for all your support around start times and attendance. I know these have been very strange times and we really appreciate how tricky it has been for some families, especially with siblings in different bubbles.

Talking about attendance, although we are trying to be as flexible and understanding as possible, please can I remind you that anyone who arrives over 10 minutes after their bubble time without prior discussion with us, will be marked as late and anything after that will be classed as an unauthorised absence. Please avoid taking holidays during term time. We cannot authorise such absences and they will also be classed as unauthorised.

Our Zoom parent consultation meetings happened this week. I have had some really positive feedback from the meetings as well as some stories of 'technical difficulties'. If you were not able to meet with your class teacher for any reason, please do contact us so that we can arrange a telephone consultation.

I have a couple of end of term reminders for you. Pencil cases—your child should be bringing his or her pencil case home this afternoon. Please can you take some time over the half term break to replenish it? School uniform—all of our children came back so smart after the summer break but I'm seeing trainers and jewellery are starting to sneak their way back in again! Children should be in smart, polishable standard school shoes on non PE days, although trainers are absolutely fine on the days when children come in PE kits. Only small stud earrings should be worn to school, no necklaces or bracelets, and no jewellery at all on PE days. Please can I also remind you that all items should be clearly named.

This morning I sent out a questionnaire about access to technology at home, so that we have a clear idea of how we can plan effectively for remote learning, should we have a whole or partial school closure. I would also like feedback on how your child has settled back into school this term. Ofsted 'parent view' offer a questionnaire for parents. It would be extremely helpful if you were able to complete this for us, again so that we have a clear picture of need and can plan accordingly. The questionnaire can be found by following the link below:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

I mentioned last week that there would be a small increase in the cost of school dinners from after half term. We will also be offering hot meals at lunchtime, starting from the second week back. Details of the menu will be with you shortly.

I think that is just about it! Have a lovely half term week, stay safe and thank you again for your continued support.

Best wishes,
Sarah Stevenson
Headteacher

KEY DATES

- Monday 2nd November: INSET day
- Wednesday 11th November Remembrance day in School
- Monday 16th November: School photographs

PE DAYS

- YR: Tues and Thurs
- Y1 / Y2: Wed and Thurs
- Y3 / Y4: Tues and Wed
- Y5 / Y6: Mon and Fri

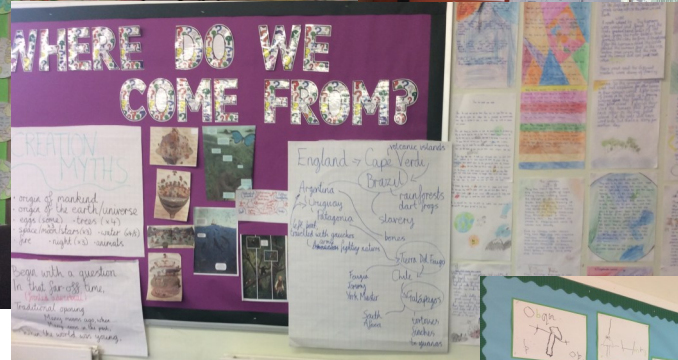
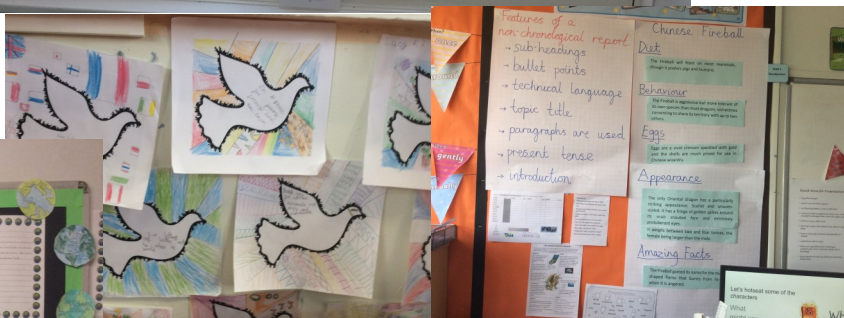


LEGENDARY LEARNING!

As we are trying to limit the number of visitors on site at the moment, I thought I would share with you some of the wonderful learning I have seen around school at the moment! I know that you get to see your own child's class work via Dojo in KS2 and Tapestry in Reception but I have been so impressed by what I have seen, I thought I would share it with you in our newsletter.



KS2....



KS1 and Yr R....



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HOUSE/DOJO POINTS!

THIS WEEK:

1st place: Blue house (161)

2nd place: Yellow house (152)

3rd place: Red House (144)

4th place: Green house (129)

THIS TERM:

1st place: Yellow house (950)

2nd place: Blue house (944)

3rd place: Red House (881)

4th place: Green house (874)

BRONZE AWARDS!!!

Wrens: Lola

Robins: Nola, Jay, Lucas, William, Charlie Orl, Euan, Josh, Scarlet-Bow, Damien and Ella

Woodpeckers: Alfie, Lucy, Remaiah, Elodie, Fern, Imogen

Falcons: Ethan, Stanley, Nathaniel

Hawks: Jay

Owls: Kai

Don't forget you can send in £1 in a named envelope labelled 'Bronze badge' to exchange for a bronze acorn lapel badge. Use Class Dojo to let the teacher know to ask them to get it out of their bag!



KEY DATES

- 20th and 21st Oct: Zoom Parents' Evenings
- Half Term: 26th Oct—30th Oct
- Monday 2nd November: INSET day
- Monday 16th November: School photographs

PE DAYS

YR: Tues and Thurs
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Dear Parents,

We're thrilled to be able to have Music Works back in school, following our risk assessment, leading socially distanced, small group ukulele lessons from Y2 to Y6. If your child is already on their list from last year, they will be in touch with you soon to see if you want to continue lessons. If your child has never tried one of their ukulele lessons, they are offering a free taster session during school hours on Friday 6th November!

Go to www.themusicworks.co/freelesson to sign up (by the 4th Nov).

Have a great half term!

Regards,
Tessa

YAMAHA
YAMAHA MUSIC SCHOOL

Claim Your FREE
New Students Only
Ukulele Lesson
At The Holme Primary School
Friday 6th November 2020

Y2+ **DURING SCHOOL**

*Deadline 4th November 2020

www.themusicworks.co/freelesson
01483 51 60 60

The Music Works
AT SCHOOL

Socially Distanced Grounds Day

(Saturday 7th Nov, 9.00 – 12.00)

*(With careful risk management procedures in place,
following the rule of six, regular hand washing
procedures and social distancing between households.
Visors and masks available)*

- Heavy lifting of items into a skip
- Repainting small playhouses
- Repointing safety markings outside
- General gardening and tidying of YR outdoor area
- Other small jobs

**Please let us know via letters@ if you are
able to help so we can plan accordingly.**

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS

Most Correct Answers this week:

1. Axle Slade	-	Ethan	(1,462)
2. Neko Fisher	-	Anthony	(482)
3. Mad Rockagio	-	Lucy Fa	(463)

Fastest Studio Speed:

1. Axle Slade	-	Ethan	(0.99)
2. Irox Sharp	-	Goodness	(1.18)
3. Cisco Saxon	-	Nathaniel	(1.29)
4. Mad Rockagio	-	Lucy Fa	(2.73)
5. Robert Granduciel	-	Jakob	(3.02)
6. Godzilla Preciado	-	Jack S	(3.28)
7. Mat Slasher	-	George M	(3.47)
8. Hal Lorre	-	Stanley	(3.55)
9. Gillian Sardo	-	Isla	(3.64)
10. Buddy White	-	Liam	(3.7)

Most Improved Studio Speed:

1. Brett Zeller	-	Oliver
2. Rookie Kotzen	-	Jack B
3. Gillian Sardo	-	Isla

Well done Isla! Doing the Woodpeckers proud!

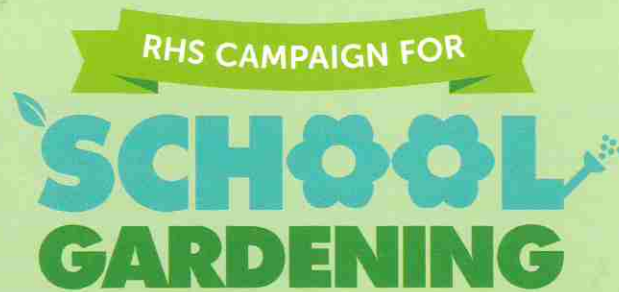
NUMBOTS

Nightingales

Most correct answers:

1st: Maisie 2nd: Jessica F 3rd: Joey





CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

This is to certify that

*The Holme C of E Primary
School*
has achieved

Level Two

in the

RHS School Gardening Awards

Alana

**Alana Cama
Skills Development Manager**