

HOLLY TREES PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

19th January 2018



Forthcoming dates

- 22.1.18 – Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30
- 22.1.18 – Author Visit Yrs 4,5 & 6
- 22.1.18 – Chinese New Year Chopstick Challenge
- 22.1.18 – Fundraisers Evening Meeting 6.45-8pm
- 23.1.18 – PDSA Assembly & Workshops Y1 & Y3
- 29.1.18 – EYFS work sharing
- 5.2.18 - Year 6 work sharing
- 8.2.18 – 7pm Musical Soiree
- 9.2.18 – KS2 Cross Country Trials
- 12.2.18 – **FEBRUARY HALF TERM**
- 19.2.18 – Year 5 work sharing
- 20.2.18 – Able Writers Day, Year 6
- 24.2.18 – Barn Dance, more information to follow
- 26.2.18 – Year 4 work sharing
- 27.2.18 – Yrs 3 & 4 Orienteering 2-4pm
- 5.3.18 - Year 3 work sharing
- 12.3.18 – Year 2 work sharing
- 13.3.18 – Yrs 3,4,5 & 6 Cross Country Events
- 19.3.18 – Year 1 work sharing
- 19.3.18 – KS1 Owl Assembly
- 19.3.18 – Able Maths Day, Yr 6 selected children
- 23.3.18 – Year 2 Boydells Dairy Farm
- 23.3.18 – Year 1 Science Experience Day
- 24.3.18 – Jazz Night 8-11pm
- 30.3.18- **END OF SPRING TERM, EASTER HOLIDAY**
- 17.4.18 – **SUMMER TERM BEGINS (inset day 16.4.18)**
- 18.4.18 – Year 2 – Zoo 4 You
- 18.4.18 – Year 5 Greek Day

Letters Home

- 15.1.18 – 2018 Year 6 Residential Trip
- 16.1.18 – Able Maths Day
- 16.1.18 – Able Writers Day
- 16.1.18 – Level 2, Bikeability Cycling Training Year 6
- 17.1.18 – Year 4 Basketball League Match 26.1.18
- 17.1.18 – Year 6 Basketball League Game 24.1.18
- 17.1.18 – Year 4 Parents Forest School Changes
- 17.1.18 – Year 1 STEM Ambassador Day, March/Wat Tyler Country Park, June.

Well done to

Bronze Awards went to Nana Adu, Talisa Pagliuso, Tian DeSilva, Rani-Jind Gogna, Caitlin O'Sullivan Alexa Stanley, Milo Waters, Tia Chaplin, Alex Stefaniu, Thomas O'Hagan, Kyan Sansom & Ewan Hobbs

Silver Awards went to Kylesh Anpalahan, James Barker & Sapphire Lawrence

Headteacher's Award went to Evie Green

Pen Licences went to Keira Harman-Day, Joseph Gamblin, Parker Maher & Charlie Wright

Sporting news

We have two Basketball fixtures next week at Becket Keys School. Year 6 will be competing in a League Game on Wednesday 24th January and the Year 4 match will be on Friday 26th January.

Attendance

97% Target – Congratulations to – Elm, Hornbeam, Larch, Maple, Mulberry & Sycamore Classes

THIS WEEK'S MENU

MONDAY

MEAT FREE MONDAY**
Tomato and Basil Pasta bake or Three Cheese Pasta Bake
Garlic Bread
Salad bar selection

Fresh Fruit Platter

TUESDAY

Local Butcher's Sausage or Linda McCartney Vegetarian sausage Creamy Mashed Potatoes Baked Beans Sweetcorn

Homemade Apple and Pear Crumble with custard

WEDNESDAY

Local Butcher's Roast Turkey or Quorn Fillet Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy Roast Potatoes, Fresh Carrots, Broccoli Florets

Winterberry Jelly and Cream

THURSDAY

BURNS NIGHT MEAL
Neeps and Tatties!
Delicious Homemade Meat Pie or Vegetable Medley Mashed Potato & Fresh Vegetables

Traditional Cranachan, Raspberries, Whipped Cream & Oatmeal

FRIDAY

New** Fishwich – Fish Fillet in a crispy crumb with lettuce and mayo in a bun/Omelette Chips Baked Beans Sweetcorn Salad Bar

Homemade Fairy Cakes

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Author Visit – We are very excited to be hosting Lisa Thompson on Monday afternoon for Years 4, 5 & 6. Her first novel, *The Goldfish Boy*, has been extremely well received and she will be reading extracts from her latest offering, *The Light Jar*, to our children, as well as sharing her experiences of being a professional writer.

Year 5 News – Miss Upton will be starting in Maple Class next week where she will be working Mondays and Tuesdays sharing the class with Mrs Kirby who will be in class Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays until Mrs Dawson returns from her maternity leave. Please also note that all children have been given a Mental Arithmetic book tailored to their level of ability. We ask that at least one page per week is completed to support their mathematical learning in class.

Home Learning Opportunity – We would like to draw your attention to the BBC Radio 2 Short Story Competition 500 Words. This is a prestigious national completion supported by Chris Evans and for further details look at the following website www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1 Get writing and Good Luck!

Forest School News – Please note that next week Year 4 Forest School will be on Wednesday 24th and Year 3 will be on Monday 22nd due to the author visit mentioned above. Year 4 parents have also been sent a letter this week detailing the changes necessary for the rest of this half term.

Parent/Teacher Consultations – I hope you have signed up for a consultation meeting with your child's teacher. Maple class parents will meet with Mr Hocking as well as one of the new teachers as he knows the children better than the new staff at the moment. Mrs Nimants will be available in the main office until 5pm for anyone having difficulty with either Parentmail or SIMS Agora.

Parent Governor Elections – The closing date for Parent Governor Election applications is Monday 22nd January. If you are interested please see Governors who will be available to talk to during the Parent/Teacher consultation on Monday evening.

BIG Battery Hunt - We have been informed that the collection containers are now on their way so if you have filled up your box of batteries and want to now bring them in, please do so! When you bring them in you must have counted how many batteries you have collected and let your teacher know how many. This is not the end of the collecting though as you can continue to collect them and increase your total collected up until the Easter holidays. The child with the most collected batteries in each class by the Easter holidays will earn themselves a gold certificate so do please keep collecting!

Midday Assistant – After February half term we will have a vacancy for a Midday Assistant, 5 hours per week, term time only. If you are interested in applying for this position please call into the office for an application pack.

2018 Year 6 Residential Trip 12-15th October 2018 – If you were unable to attend the briefing last Monday by Mr Hocking, please call in to the office to collect the required permission forms by Friday 26th January. We need to give final numbers to the centre by 31st January/payment is available now on SIMS Agora. If you do not sign up by this date then your child will not be able to take part in the visit.

Medical Evidence – If you need to collect your child during the school day for a medical appointment please ensure that you bring proof of the appointment with you.