

# HOLLY TREES PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



9<sup>th</sup> March 2018

### Forthcoming dates

12.3.18 – Year 2 work sharing  
 13.3.18 – Cross Country/ Thorndon Park South Yr 3&4  
 13.3.18 – Second Hand Uniform Sale 3pm  
 19.3.18 – Year 1 work sharing  
 19.3.18 – Year 5 Road Safety Walk  
 19.3.18 – KS1 Owl Assembly  
 19.3.18 – Able Maths Day, Yr 6 selected children  
 19.3.18 – Athletics Trials Yrs 3-6, (more info to follow)  
 20.3.18 – Year 4 Play 6 pm  
 21.3.18 – Year 4 Play 9.30 am  
 23.3.18 – Year 2 Boydells Dairy Farm  
 23.3.18 – Year 1 Science Experience Day  
 23.3.18 – Year 6 Easter Cracked – Church visit  
 24.3.18 – Jazz Night 8-11pm  
 26.3.18 – Safety in the home with Fire Service, Yr3  
 27.3.18 – Fundraisers Meeting 6.30pm  
 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  
 25.4.18 – Able, Gifted & Talented DT day, 4 Yr 6 pupils  
 26.4.18 – Fundraisers Disco, times to be confirmed  
 2.5.18 – Tudor Trip, Yr 4 Hatfield House  
 3.5.18 – **School Closed for Polling Day**  
 10.5.18 – EYFS Road Safety Walk  
 11.5.18 – EYFS Road Safety Walk  
 24.5.18 – Yr 6 Bikeability  
 25.5.18 – Yr 6 Bikeability  
 28.5.18 – **HALF TERM**  
 4.6.18 – **INSET DAY, SCHOOL CLOSED**  
 16.6.18 – Circus (more information to follow)

### Letters Home

6.3.18 – Easter Camp  
 9.3.18 – Year 4 Production of 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'

### Well done to

**Bronze Awards went to** Grace Power, Ethan Mistry, John Ellis, Hugo Cormack, Oscar Walker, Ahmed Salih, Poppy Wragg, Emme Enticknap, Eva Zinonos, Penny Blanchard, Harry Scammell, Jorgie Shearing, Madison Hames, Ben Milton & Luca Sweeney Spurin

**Silver Award went to** Toby Mathews

**Headteacher's Award went to** Henry McGilway

**Music For Schools Foundation Bronze Awards went to** Milo Waters & Maicey Southwick

### Sporting news

**Years 1 & 2 Football Tournament** – Our children played superbly on Tuesday, showing excellent team spirit and fair play. The girls' team even managed to make the semi-finals but unfortunately lost in extra time. Well done everyone.

**Foundation Sports – Easter Break Multi Sports Camp** – You can still make bookings.

### Attendance

**97% Target – Congratulations to** – Birch, Elder, Elm, Holly, Hornbeam, Maple, Mulberry & Spruce 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

Chicken Tikka Masala Wholegrain and White Rice or Sweet Potato and Lentil Curry Naan Bread/Salad Bar

Homemade Chocolate and Orange Sponge with chocolate sauce

#### 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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**Fundraisers** – The Fundraisers are currently replacing our much loved but worn out climbing equipment which comes to a surprisingly large sum. Thank you to everybody who has supported our various fundraising events and we would like to invite you to participate in the following. Come and enjoy an evening of Dixieland jazz with Paula Jackman's Jazzmen on Saturday 24th March. This is our sixth annual jazz night which has always been very popular. Tickets are available now at £16 including fish and chips. Get yours from [ticketsource.co.uk/hollytrees](http://ticketsource.co.uk/hollytrees) (booking fee applies) or pick up a booking form from the school office. This is an adult (age 16+) only event.

There is also the Circus on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June which was very well received the last time we hosted them. The annual Inflatables Afternoon will take place in September this year, with the date to be confirmed. Fear not Year 6 you will be able to purchase your tickets in advance if you wish and then return and see us in the autumn. Finally if there are any local businesses who would be willing to offer sponsorship it would be most gratefully welcomed. Please note the fundraisers have a new contact email [fundraisers@hollytrees.sch.uk](mailto:fundraisers@hollytrees.sch.uk) and without your continued help our projects will not be able to go ahead.

**World Book Day (almost)** – It was great to see all the wonderful costumes that the children wore on Monday when we were able to return to school. Again this year we 'Dropped Everything And Read' at various points throughout the day to celebrate and value the joy of books. Please make best use of the book tokens that were given to your children and keep reading!

**A Visit from the Mayor** – We are very pleased to welcome our Mayor, Will Russell, to Holly Trees today. Year 3 had a plethora of interesting questions to explore his role and the workings of local government. Thank you very much Mr Mayor for spending your time with our children.

**Social Media** – I would like to remind parents that children should not use social media, including Snapchat, Instagram and Whatsapp, until they are at least 13 years old. We find ourselves regularly dealing with children and parents who have said or read unpleasant things online outside school which is very difficult to resolve. Please model for your children how to use social media responsibly.

**Year 2 Work Sharing** – Just a reminder that all parents of Elder and Elm Classes are invited to the main hall at 9am on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

**Eco Work** – On 28<sup>th</sup> March we are having a Paperless day. The exceptions to being paperless will be toilet paper and school registers, as agreed by our Eco Committee of children. On that day children do not need to bring their reading books and should expect to do even more outdoor learning than usual.

We also, this week, received our updated energy certificate which graded us as C, an improvement from the previous D rating. Well done on helping us to be more energy efficient.

**Parking** – Yet again we have received complaints from local residents about some of our parents driving manners. We continue to ask that people are respectful towards the community and drive safely. There was a near miss this week and we very much hope that it doesn't take an accident for this message to hit home.

**Fairtrade** – Look out for our latest display in Bennetts' window celebrating our fine work in helping to support farmers around the world.

**Young Pea Chef of the Year 2018** – There is a hunt for not one but three Young Pea Chefs! The winners from each category will be the creator of the most interesting and delicious recipe, which includes the Great British Pea as the star of the show! There are no strict rules as to which ingredients used and you may use as many or as little as you like – all we ask is that you use peas as the main ingredient. Entries must include a brief list of ingredients, cooking method and photo of both the completed recipe and the pea chef.

The competition will close for entries on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018** when a panel of judges will shortlist 5 recipes from each category to go through to the final. In the final, the Great British public will vote for their favourite recipe in each category and finalists can take to their schools, families and friends to raise votes. The finalists from each category with the most votes will win the acclaimed title of Young Pea Chef of the Year! The winning entry will earn their school £500. Entries should be emailed to [admin@hollytrees.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hollytrees.essex.sch.uk) with your photos. We will use your email address to submit the entry. **They must arrive at school by 29.3.18.**