Holywell News

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Suggestion box: <u>outside school office</u>

Reminders:

- To ensure the health and safety of everyone:
- Dogs are not permitted on school grounds.
- Please push bikes or scooters whilst on the year to prevent accidents.
- Children line up from 8.55am each day and are taken into school by their class teacher. Children are to be left in the care of their teacher on the yard (except Reception and Nursery pupils who may be accompanied to their class).
- VIDEO RECORDING OF ANY KIND IS NOT PERMITTED IN SCHOOL (INCLUDING ASSEMBLIES & PERFORMANCES). Thank you.

NEWS

The Governing Body is aware that there have been some discussions around a prospective new-build for Holywell Village First School, which you already may know about.

We understand that a potential solution to replace the ageing building has been agreed, in principal, between the local county councillor and the local authority. This is a completely different proposal to the current plans for the Astley Federation of schools.

We await a formal response to these proposals from Northumberland County Council and will of course advise you when we have some more information to share.

Important Dates:

23.03.17—Year 1 class assembly 9am

24.03.17—Red Nose Day

27.03.17—Easter Colouring Competition out to children

03.04.17—Easter colouring competition closing date 3pm

04.04.17—Year 3 class assembly 9am (note change of date)

06.04.17—Easter egg competition entries MUST be in on this day 8.45am—9am ONLY

06.04.17—Nursery and Reception Class Assembly 9.20am start.

07.04.17—Easter Assembly & egg

competition.

07.04.17—School closes for Easter holiday

24.04.17—Teacher Training Day

25.04.17—School resumes for the children

01.05.17—SCHOOL CLOSED—May Day

26.05.17—Non-Uniform day (Please donate a chocolate item)

26.05.17—School closes for Half-term holiday

- 05.06.17—School resumes for the children
- 21.07.17—School breaks for summer

W/E 17.03.17	Stars of the Week N— Cadence Rec— Darcey Y1- Bethany Y2- Daisy Y3- Lily C Y4- Chloe
W/C 20.03.17	Banquet Table Guests—Joe W, Isabella & Ethan B

After School Clubs—Summer term.

Letters will be going home with the children on Monday 20th March to reserve their places in Summer Term (April to July) clubs.

The clubs will run as follows: MONDAY- 08.05-22.05 KS1 ICT club 05.06-10.07 KS2 Forensic Science club

TUESDAV-02.05-11.07 KS2 Fencing

WEDNESDAV-03.05-12.07 KS2 Gymnastics Club

THURSDAV-04.05-25.05 KS1 Athletics 08.06-13.07 KS2 Cricket Club

FRIDAY-05.05-14.07 KS1 AND RECEPTION Gymnastics Club

Please chat with your children and if they are interested then look out for club letters and booking forms!

PAF-Request

Our Parents and Friends Association will be holding a gift amnesty each morning from 24th to 28th April. Should you have any unopened, unwanted gift sets/suitable items, please donate into the collection box situated on the yard throughout the week from 8.45-9am. NEWS:

Next Monday (20th March) Northumberland Health Service will be in school taking Reception class height and weight measurements. If you do not wish for your child to participate please ensure you have returned the 'opt-out' form to school before Midday on Monday 20th.

Maths Workshop—advance warning Parents should now have received invitations from their children to attend our next maths workshop on 30th March 9-10am. These workshops are a great opportunity for us to explain how and why we teach maths within school. They also provide an opportunity for parents/carers to 'learn alongside' their children, as well as allowing the children to demonstrate their skills. We hope as many of you as possible will be able

to join us to find out more about how we are challenging our children in maths.

School Meals from 20.03.17: WEEK 1

RED NOSE DAY-FRIDAY 24TH MARCH

This year we will be supporting Red Nose day in school by offering the children the opportunity of coming to school in RED clothes for £1.

As the theme of the fundraising centres around 'making your laugh matter', Mrs. Reed and Mr. Wood will host a break time <u>Joke Competition</u>, where for 20p a joke, children can try and make them laugh. However, they are stem faced and wor't crack easily! Winners who force a laugh out of them will receive a treat! So get practicing all of your best corny jokes...... the more you tell, the more money we raise!

Red Nose day biscuits will be on sale for 20p each at Break time.

Should you wish for your child to participate in the joke competition and purchase biscuits, please ensure you send them to school with additional funds. All children are asked to contribute £1 for attending in RED nonuniform.

This is a FUNdraising charity which we are happy to support; we hope to raise lots of money as well as lots of smiles on the day.

School App—Please download and check for updates regularly.



We re-launched our school App earlier in the year and at present have 107 downloads which is great! However registered user numbers could be higher. We really do want to keep the app as another way of keeping parents/carers updated but this really depends on user numbers.

The app contains everything you would expect in a mobile phone app. There is also a function to allow users to register on the app.

To register, please click on the cog in the top right corner of the app. The unique school code for the school is 8764.

You will be asked to put in an email address so we can verify you. When you have registered you will be able to select your preferences, choosing the year groups from which you wish to receive notifications. You can choose more than one preference.