Holywell News



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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 countdown continues!

There are only 10 school days until we break for Christmas!

With this in mind, there are lots of exciting events and important letters coming home—so please, please check the children's bags everyday to ensure nothing is missed.

This week alone an important letter was sent home regarding photography in school. It is essential that bags are checked nightly to ensure no important information is missed. Thank you.

Party food lists will also be going up on windows outside classrooms next week. Please make sure that you sign up to avoid duplicate food items.

Important Dates:

5th-9th December—Christmas productions. Please check the ticket letter for further details.

12.12.16—Nursery and Reception Party (letters to follow from class teachers regarding party clothing)

13.12.16—Christmas dinner day

14.12.16—Special visitor in school (ho ho ho)

14.12.16—Yrs 1-4 Party (All children to bring party clothes in a NAMED bag—provision will be made to change into party clothes after lunch)

15.12.16—Children are invited to wear Christmas jumpers with their uniform. We will also be enjoying a Christmas treat courtesy of the PAF Association.

16.12.16—3pm School closes for

Christmas break

03.01.17—TEACHER TRAINING DAY—school closed

04.01.17—8.55am School resumes for the children

Stars of the Week

W/E 02.12.16

Noah, Cadence, Kaden, Isabel, Charlie K, Amelia

Polite reminder:

Jewellery is not permitted to be worn in school. We have an increasing number of children wearing earrings, which is in contravention of school policy. The school policy on jewellery states that the children may wear a watch only. Please also note that nail varnish is not permitted to be worn for school either—we would ask that this is kept for weekends only and removed before school each Monday.

NUMICON

If you requested and ordered a set of Numicon shapes for your child, they are ready to collect from the school office. Please bring your £2 and collect them asap.

Jumper day!

Children are invited to wear their festive jumpers on Thursday 15th December with their uniform instead of school sweatshirts. No donation is required, we are just looking forward to seeing some amazing jumpers!

NEW5:

Thank you to everyone who attended last Friday's light switch on in the village, it was a lovely evening.

Special thanks must be extended to the Milbourne Arms Landlord and Lady, Mr and Mrs Watson. They kindly donated to school: the raffle takings on the night, cookie sale funds and funds raised from quiz nights! We received £176 from these activities, for which we are truly grateful.

Festival of Light

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's Festival of Light—it was a lovely evening, which left everyone feeling very festive.

Thank you to the PAF for the donation of mulled wine (and juice!), mince pies (and gingerbread men!) - along with their time. It was very much appreciated and there were many lovely comments on the night that confirmed this.

If you were not able to attend last night but would still like to purchase your child's items, please contact the office.

Lucky win!

We are thrilled to announce that we have been fortunate to win £500 in a draw by 'Go Smarter'. School was entered into the draw due to our participation in walking/cycling to school activities. We received the cheque in this morning's assembly.

School Meals Next Week: WEEK 3

Important:

Please note that whilst videos are no longer permitted to be taken during assemblies, under certain circumstances photographs are. Therefore please ensure that you have completed and returned your SIGNED permissions letter, stating who is permitted to photograph your child after performances and assemblies. As Christmas performances are arranged for next week, if we do not have a signed form returned by 2pm Monday 5th December, photographs CAN NOT be taken. A register entry is required for permission to be granted/checked on performance days.

We are looking for parents/grandparents who have time each week to come into school and help our children look after our small on-site allotment.

They will need to be able to plan and help the children plant and grow flowers and produce throughout the coming year(s).

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.