

# Holywell Village First School

## News Update!

16<sup>th</sup> April 2021

### WELCOME BACK TO EVERYONE!

As we return from the Easter break, the children look refreshed, bright eyed and eager to get back to their learning. We have had many tales of copious eaten chocolate eggs and quality time spent outdoors with family making memories – it is really lovely to hear. School remains as it was before we broke up, with only some minor roof repairs being undertaken during the holiday.

### IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

03.05.21 – May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed

28.05.21 – School closes for half-term

07.06.21 – School resumes for all pupils

16.07.21 – School closes for summer holiday

06.09.21 – Teacher Training Day

07.09.21 – School resumes for the children

22.10.21 – 3pm school closes for half-term



We are all looking forward to launching 'The Daily Mile' within school next week for the children from Reception to Year 4.

- \* It takes place in 15 minutes, with most children averaging a mile, or more, each day.
- \* Children run in their uniforms so no kit or changing time is needed.
- \* It's social, non-competitive and fun.
- \* The children return to class ready to learn.
- \* It helps to improve fitness and achieve a healthy weight.
- \* It encourages children to be aware of their health
- \* It's fully inclusive; every child, whatever their circumstances, age or ability, succeeds at The Daily Mile.

### School Events

As we enjoy the slow return of some normality to everyday life, we thought it only prudent to mention that as per government guidance, restrictions within school remain.

We will be sharing a virtual new starter's presentation in May for Nursery and Reception September starters, in lieu of a meeting – which although not ideal, is the best we are able to offer under the present restrictions.

With the restrictions in mind, it is unlikely this year that we will be able to enjoy large gatherings like family assemblies, a summer fayre or sports day for example. Whilst we are saddened by this, we must all do what we can to adhere to the rules and help to reduce infection rates.

We are looking into options for our Year 4 leavers this year and are hopeful that we will be able to have a celebration for them (albeit distanced) but will of course keep you updated on arrangements as and when they are finalised.

**Important information:**  
**SCHOOL CLOSED MAY DAY** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

**HELP WANTED**

### Governors needed!

Do you know someone who has what it takes to be a 'Co-opted' Governor?

Someone who has the best interests of the Community of Holywell and our school at heart? Someone who has a vested interest in making sure our children can be the best they can be? Someone who can help support the school in providing excellent education for our children?

We have some gaps in our skills amongst the current body of governors (e.g. finance) but we would welcome any expression of interest from the right person.

**Please note:** these are not parent governor positions -all of these positions are currently filled.

If you know anyone who is interested, please ask them to contact Mrs. Sarah Brett via [admin@holywell.northumberland.sch.uk](mailto:admin@holywell.northumberland.sch.uk) for an informal discussion about what the role of the Governor entails.