



# HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

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## Our International Charity – Rotary Shoeboxes

Our International Charity is supporting the Rotary Club of Great Britain who deliver boxes of gifts to children around the world at Christmas time who are less fortunate than our children. We are asking you to take home a box for each child OR one per family and to fill the box as per the instructions on the letter that comes with the box. It is great fun packing the boxes and you can get small things from Tiger, Poundland, Tesco etc. The boxes need to be full. Please bring the boxes back to school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. There must be nothing edible in the boxes. Children can decorate the sides and base of the box. Please remember to attach £2 to the top of the box to cover the postage. Thank you for your support.



## PTA Key to The Fair

Four lucky children will have a chance to win 'The Key to the Fair.' This means that two infants and two juniors will receive a selection of vouchers entitling them to 'free goes' at everything at the fair, as well as free entry, a free lunch and a drink of their choice. The lucky winners will be drawn in assembly on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December. To enter the competition, attach £1 to the PTA form and fill in your child's name and class. Good luck!



## PTA Winter Fair

Roll up, roll up, roll up to our annual Winter fair. Please come along to the school on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December between 3pm and 6pm to enjoy the festive fun – Santa, tombola, cakes, carol singing, mulled wine, photo booth, ice skating and lots of other fun and games. Please come and support the school and also our PTA committee who have worked very hard to pull this event together. Come and support our Y5 and Y6 apprentice stalls – who are trying hard to make a stall and to raise the most money at their stall. Your support will be very much appreciated - so come along and enjoy the fun! Thank you in advance to everyone who has volunteered in some way.

## Butterfly Art Installation – 'All Different All Equal'

During Anti – Bullying week, the children each made a butterfly using computer generated art. Every butterfly was unique (as are the children) The butterflies have been skillfully hung in the hall by Mr Mock and Miss Richardson as one large swarm of butterflies. The first impression you get is of a swarm of creatures that appear the same, however something more is going on- each butterfly within the swarm is unique. The beautiful swarm is a permanent reminder to all the children that together we are one group of people at Holly Park but within that group we are all different and all unique and it is absolutely acceptable to be different and individual.



## Diary Dates

Tuesday 5th December  
Thursday 7th December  
Saturday 9th December  
Monday 11th December  
Tuesday 12th December  
Tuesday 12th December  
Thursday 14th December  
Thursday 14th December  
Friday 15th December  
Monday 18th December  
Monday 18th December  
Tuesday 19th December  
Tuesday 19th December  
Wednesday 20th December

Candlelight Concert  
Y4 to British Museum  
PTA Winter fair 3-6pm  
Enabling Enterprise Week  
Christmas Lunch  
Nursery drop in for new children 4-5pm  
Y1 phonics workshop 9am  
Upper KS2 parties  
Lower Key Stage 2 parties  
Y3 Nativity at 2pm  
Early Years parties  
Y3 Nativity at 6pm  
KSI parties  
Term ends at 1.30pm

## Decorations Day

The school is now beginning to look more festive. All of the children made a decoration today and they are going to be hanging in the dining hall. Next week Our theme this year was to use waste materials from around the school.





## Christmas Post

The Christmas post box will be out and ready for children to put their Christmas cards in from Thursday next week. Please ensure that all cards have full names and classes on the envelope.

## Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 8th December please wear your school skirt or trousers and a Christmas jumper in return for bringing in a new toy for the children's' tombola. Look out for the brown paper bag coming home – this is for you to fill with toys. Thank you

## Attendance and Punctuality Winners for the Week

<b>Winners of Punctuality</b> parrot		<b>Y6 Beech</b> <b>Y5 Juniper</b> <b>Y5 Hawthorn</b> <b>Y4 Mulberry</b> <b>Y2 Elm</b>
<b>Winners of Attendance</b> Alligator		<b>Y5 Maple</b>

## Housepoints for this week

<b>Griffin</b>	326	points
<b>Hydra</b>	311	points
<b>Phoenix</b>	280	points
<b>Dragon</b>	255	points
<b>Unicorn</b>	212	points

Well Done **Griffin**

## Music News

**Instrumental Tuition and Ensembles:** these sessions are now complete for the term.

**Barnabas and Infant Choirs** will be performing at our annual '**Candlelight Concert**' on **Tuesday 5th December at 6:30 pm**. On the evening of the concert, doors will open at 6:15. Choir members should go to their allotted cloakrooms to deposit their coats and then straight to their places on stage. Year 6 - ROWAN classroom; Year 4&5 – Dining Hall; Year 2 – CHESTNUT classroom. We expect the concert to be just over an hour in length. The children should be wearing 'HOLLY PARK CONCERT DRESS' – this is white shirt and Holly Park tie, grey trousers or skirt and black shoes. The choirs are making a lovely sound – it should be a great way to begin the Christmas season.

## Parent Behaviour

A reminder that we do have a 'Parent Code of Conduct' which is issued to parents in September every year and is on the website. We do not expect parents to shout at or tell other children off whilst on the school grounds. We also do not expect parents to behave in an aggressive manner, shout or speak rudely to any member of staff. The Headteacher and governors have the power to ban parents from the premises if necessary.

## PTA Bottle Tombola

Next week from Monday to Thursday please send in full bottles for the PTA Winter fair bottle tombola. The stall is a great stall but requires donations of bottles in order to run well. The PTA would be grateful for donations of filled bottles of: sauces, wine, bubble bath, oils, shampoo, washing up liquid, beer, cider, prosecco, body lotions, salad dressing, pasta sauces etc The greater variety the better. If every child brought in one bottle we would have a great stall. Thank you in advance.

