



HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

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Poppy's Book Quiz

This is the last chance to do Poppy's book quiz on the website. It is a quiz all about dogs in books. You can find the quiz either on the competitions section of the website or on the dog blog. Answers will be revealed on the website on Monday. Enjoy.

The Holly Park Book Swap

We encouraged every pupil to bring in a couple of books from home that they have either outgrown or no longer want on their bookshelf. Each class visited the hall and took home a new book to add to their collection. Thank you so much to those who brought in a book from home to swap. Some children brought in several books and some of the teachers including myself brought in carrier bags of books having had a clear out at home. Please can I remind you that the book swap only works if everybody brings in a book to swap. This year we were fortunate that everybody could go home with a book because many families were so generous. The children really enjoyed the experience of browsing the tables of books and even for the classes who were last to choose there was still plenty of choice.



The Barnet Dance Festival

Some of our Year 6 children took part in a huge Barnet Dance Festival at the Arts Depot this week. The festival included over 88 schools - infant, junior, primary, secondary and special schools. The Holly Park routine was a modern Charleston type dance to 'Bang Bang' by Will I AM. The children performed with great style and co-ordination and they had practiced hard for the event. Many thanks to Miss Yiannaki and Mr Stewkesbury for their hard work and choreography. The dance was a huge success and their costumes very smart.



Diary Dates

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| Monday 12 th March | Y3 Bikeability |
| Tuesday 13 th March | Y3 Bikeability |
| Tuesday 13 th March | Cross Country |
| Tuesday 13 th March | KS1 Book Look 3.45pm |
| Wednesday 14 th March | Y5 Victorian Curriculum Day |
| Wednesday 14 th March | Y4 Bikeability |
| Thursday 15 th March | Y4 Bikeability |
| Thursday 15 th March | KS2 Book Look 3.45pm |
| Friday 16 th March | Y4 Tudor Curriculum Day |
| Tuesday 20 th March | Hawthorn Class Assembly |
| Thursday 22 nd March | Enabling Enterprise Day |
| Friday 23 rd March | Nursery Curriculum Day |
| Friday 23 rd March | PTA Spring Fair |
| Monday 26 th March | Holly Park Well being Week |
| Monday 26 th March | Wheel to School Week |



Book Look and Parent Evening Y1-6

Letters for parent evening will be going out next week. Please do make an appointment to see the class teacher. You will also note that there is a book look next week for KS1 and for KS2. The purpose of the Book Look is so that you can go into the classroom with your child and look at their books with them before parent evening. Hopefully the Book Look will give you a chance to see how they are doing with their work before you meet the teacher for your appointment. Teachers will not be present at the book look as this is not necessary. If you have any questions from the book look then please save them for the parent evening. A reminder also that children are encouraged to attend the parent evening meetings.

Wheel to School Week

During the final week of this term (26th – 29th March) we have our annual Well-being Week. During this week, we ask that children wheel to school – either using scooters or bikes. Please encourage your child to try this safely for a couple of days of that week. Bikes and scooters are left on school premises at your own risk – so please make sure they are named. A reminder also to dismount bikes and scooters at the entrance to the school and wheel them up the path. Riding up the path OR in the playground is dangerous as it is too crowded and someone is likely to be knocked down.

Attendance and Punctuality Winners for the Week

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| Winners of Punctuality parrot |  | Y5 Juniper |
| Winners of Attendance Alligator |  | Y5 Maple |

Music News

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION continues as normal. **FEES for SUMMER TERM 2018:** the deadline for the fees is today, Friday March 2nd. Any sessions lost to the 'SNOW DAYS' will be covered by the tutors at the end of term. However, the violin lessons missed on Friday 2nd March will be re-scheduled for the beginning of next term. No one will miss out on a lesson because of the closures due to snow.

Ensemble sessions are now complete for the term.

Infant Choir - Thursdays (3:30-4:15 pm in the main hall). Here are this term's remaining dates. FULL CHOIR (Years 1 & 2): 22nd March.

Barnabas Choir - Tuesdays (3:30-4:30 pm in the main hall). Years 3 & 4: 13th March. Chamber Choir (Years 5 & 6): March 27th. If we need another Chamber Choir rehearsal it will be on 20th March. We will let parents know next week.

Our **Holly Park Music Blog** which will give you access at home to recordings of some of the songs the choirs are learning.

This can be accessed using:

<https://sites.google.com/hollyparkschool.co.uk/music/home>

Please be aware of the issues regarding your children accessing the internet – strict parental supervision is essential.

Infant Choir songs The songs for the Infant Choir are on the school website.

PTA Spring Fair

A reminder that we have the PTA Spring Fair on Friday 23rd March after school. Please do look out for fliers about the fair and things that may be needed to be brought in.

