



HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

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Y5 Review

Well done to all the pupils and staff involved in the Y5 review this week. We all got to see what a very busy year you have had – learning about: Ancient Greeks, Victorians, Science, PE, Forest School, poetry, Maths at Friern Barnet as well as three fantastic days away at Gilwell Park. Thank you to Mr French, Miss Harrison, Mr Carini, Mrs Hurry and Mrs Phillips for making sure it all ran smoothly. We all enjoyed it.



International Day



Last Friday we had our International Day. Children took part in lots of activities from around the world. **ART** - Arabic inspired art, Czech art, Henna patterns, **DANCE** - Greek dancing, Morris dancing. **MUSIC** - African drumming. **GAMES** - Drop the handkerchief - an old game from many countries around the world particularly the USA, Petanque, a marble game called Cara and a game with buttons called Kalaha from Egypt. The children also undertook other activities such as - matching traditional dress to the countries they come from and locating countries on a map. Thank you to the parents who came in to support this event and to Mrs Tsenti for organising it. The children have had exciting experiences of games and activities from around the world.



Diary Dates

Monday 21st May

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for Y5 parents at 7pm

Wednesday 23rd May

Friday 25th May

for Y5 parents at 9am

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Enabling Enterprise Week
Secondary transfer meeting

Global learning Conference
Secondary transfer meeting

End of Half term at 3.30pm

HALF TERM

Monday 4th June

Tuesday 5th June

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parents at 9am

INSET Day
School begins
Online safety session for

Summer Uniform

Just a reminder about correct summer uniform.

As for winter or:

- Green and white checked dress (red and white checked dresses are NOT our uniform)
- Grey shorts
- Red cardigan
- White socks
- Black shoes (maximum heel height 3cm) **No trainers**
- White or black sandals with secure fastening (maximum heel height 3cm)
- Red, green, white or black hair accessories
- A cap to protect from sun

Play Equipment for the hot weather

In past years we have done a great deal of work to improve all of our playgrounds and make them much more engaging for the children. Lunchtimes are particularly long and it is good to give the children a range of exciting things to do.

In hot weather it is also good for children to have some quieter activities to play instead of running around in the heat. We are asking for your help to boost our smaller equipment as with a lot of children and constant use the equipment goes missing or gets damaged and broken.

On Friday 25th May we are inviting all of the children to come to school with crazy hair – colours, ribbons, wigs etc in exchange for bringing in an item of playground equipment from the list below. We would like you to bring:

Reception: colouring books, crayons, cars, zoo animals

Year 1: dolls, dolls clothes, Duplo bricks, dinosaurs

Year 2: Farm animals, glove puppets, dressing up clothes

Year 3: farm animals, glove puppets, dressing up clothes

Year 4: cars, zoo animals, packs of playing cards

Year 5: lego, dinosaurs, cat's cradle sets, jacks, French skipping

Year 6: French skipping, cat's cradle sets, playing cards, jacks

Attendance and Punctuality Winners for the Week

Winners of Punctuality parrot		Y2 Elm Y4 Mulberry Y4 Sycamore Y5 Juniper
Winners of Attendance Alligator		Y3 Willow 100%

Housepoints for this week

Hydra	450	points
Dragon	354	points
Unicorn	318	points
Phoenix	312	points
Griffin	295	points

Well Done **Hydra**

Y6 National Assessments

This week we had the national test week for Y6. The tests are very difficult for Y6 children with the average expectation being more in line with what an average 13year old used to be expected to do. I would like to acknowledge all the staff who have worked with the children over the years but particularly Miss Biggs, Mr Stewkesbury and Miss Roe for the fantastic work they have done with the children this year and to all the other staff who have supported them and run extra booster classes. Well done to our Y6 children who have kept calm and tried their best.

Music News

INSTRUMENTAL TUITION LESSONS and

ENSEMBLE SESSIONS take place as normal. Tutors will ensure that any child not at school due to School Journey and choir rehearsals/performances will receive their full complement of lessons by the end of term.

Letters inviting children in our present **Years 1 – 5** to apply for **Instrumental Tuition for the Autumn Term** will be going out next week.

Chamber Choir are preparing for their appearance at the 'Barnet Schools' Music Festival' on Monday 18th June. We only have two rehearsal sessions remaining: **May 22nd; June 5th. It is crucial ALL members of Chamber Choir attend these sessions** as we are singing in 4 parts – and the balancing of voices cannot be done without the full choir. Also, we are rehearsing the drumming to accompany the song – and will be finalising which children will be drumming. Spare tickets for the concert will be available from the Artsdepot Box Office from Tuesday 22nd May. Barnabas Years 3, 4 and 5 will have a rehearsal session on Tuesday 26th June, in readiness for their concert on Wednesday July 11th at 7 pm.

