



# HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 4

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

[www.hollyparkschool.co.uk](http://www.hollyparkschool.co.uk)

## Anti Bullying Award – Gold Award

Last week I wrote to you to tell you about our success with our Anti-Bullying Alliance 'All Together' Gold Award. We now have our logo for the newsletter and website. Our certificate is on its way! Although we have a gold award which shows that as a school we deal with bullying well and have systems in place to deal with it, we are not complacent. We will as always be participating in the annual Anti Bullying week in November. The theme for this year is: Choose Respect. It emphasises that bullying is a behaviour choice, and that children and young people can set a positive example by opting to respect each other at school, in their homes and communities, and online. The aims of the week are to support schools and other settings to help children and young people, school staff, parents and other professionals who work with children to understand: The definition of respect, That bullying is a behaviour choice, That we can respectfully disagree with each other i.e. we don't have to be best friends or always agree with each other but we do have to respect each other and that we all need to choose to respect each other both face to face and online



## Partnership Schools Y1 Super Hero Fun Run

We hosted a fantastic Y1 fun run at Holly Park last Friday, when Year 1 children from Hollickwood, All saints, St John's and St Paul's came dressed as super heroes and took part together in warm ups, running and team games.



## PTA News & Events

This last week the PTA raised £60.90 from the coats and jackets sale, a fantastic fundraiser. The Y6 Cake sale last Friday also raised a wonderful £163.50. The PTA is also proud to say that the Reception family Fun Night with fish and chips was a lovely event with a great group of new parents who are enthusiastic and eager to get involved. The PTA Macmillan coffee morning raised £165.25. What a busy PTA week last week was!!! Thank you all for your support and generosity.



## Grandparents tea

The coffee afternoon was a wonderful event. Grandparents came for a cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat. Mr Hogan led an informal concert of wonderful instrumentalists and singing by the children who went to the Scoop. The grandparents really enjoyed the event. They had enjoyed the conversation they had had with our children from the School Council and the Learning Council and with their own grandchildren.



## Diary Dates

<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y6 School Journey Meeting at 7pm
<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y6 Bikeability Week
<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Sycamore Class Assembly at 9am
<b>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Anti Bullying Ambassador training
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y3 Parent & child Maths workshop at 9am
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Y5 PTA Cake Sale at 3.15pm
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Walk to School Week
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Infant Music Festival

## The Value For October – Acceptance

Acceptance means to accept our differences. It means showing respect for the race, religion, age, gender, opinions, and ideologies of other people or groups. One of the Fundamental British Values to be taught in schools is about tolerance - a fair, and objective, attitude to those whose faith and beliefs may differ from one's own. At Holly Park we do not believe that a diversity of faiths and beliefs is something to be tolerated but rather accepted and celebrated. As a school we are emboldened and strengthened by our diversity. We promote the importance of learning and working together with those with different faiths and beliefs



## What will my child be learning about this term?

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Y1-6 Meet The Teacher sessions at the start of term. We hope that you found it useful. There was a pack of information for every parent. We have had our curriculum meeting for Reception and Nursery parents and also a phonics workshop for Reception. If your child is in Y1-6, please look on the website where you can find under the class page a newsletter for parents outlining what will be learnt this term. A new one will be posted each term. A copy was e-mailed to parents. If you would like more specific information about the learning objectives then you can find this information on the curriculum page of the website in our learning journey section. Also look out this term for a Y1 phonics workshop and also a year group expectations meeting for Y1 and Y2. There will also be workshops for Y3, 4 and 5 parents. Please do try to come along.

## Permission Forms

A reminder that all parents need to return the permission forms for their children asap. The forms were in the Meet The Teacher pack. If you have lost your form, please ask at the office. Next week we will start chasing up missing forms as we must have them. Thank you

## Attendance and Punctuality Winners for the Week

<b>Winners of Punctuality parrot</b>		<b>Y6 Lime Y5 Maple</b>
<b>Winners of Attendance Alligator</b>		<b>Y4 Sycamore</b>

## Housepoints for this week

<b>Dragon</b>	343	points
<b>Unicorn</b>	341	points
<b>Hydra</b>	317	points
<b>Griffin</b>	289	points
<b>Phoenix</b>	273	points

Well Done **Dragon**

## Music News

**Instrumental Tuition and Ensembles:** All sessions are taking place.

**Barnabas Choir** Remaining dates:

OCTOBER: 9<sup>th</sup> - FULL Barnabas Choir (Years 4, 5 & 6).

OCTOBER: 30<sup>th</sup> - FULL Barnabas Choir (Years 4, 5 & 6).

NOVEMBER: 6<sup>th</sup> - FULL Barnabas Choir (Years 4, 5 & 6).

These are our only after-school rehearsals before Christmas, please make every effort to attend.

**Infant Choir:** Here are the remaining dates for the term:

OCTOBER: 11<sup>th</sup>. NOVEMBER: 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>. Infant Choir will be

performing at the Barnet Infant Music Festival at Cromer Road School on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October. We will include some of the songs in the Candlelight Concert.

We now have a **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://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1V58AU52fYaY6wpDWEUd8DmxY6ELqcaiu> **Please be aware of the issues regarding your children accessing the internet – strict parental supervision is essential.**

## Lunch Boxes

If your child brings a lunch box to school, please speak to them about putting it on the trolley carefully in the morning and after lunch – NOT throwing it on!!! Also please would you ask your child not to play with or move anyone else's lunch box on the trolley. Thank you

## Harvest Festival

Holly Park will be celebrating Harvest on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October**. To mark this event, we will be collecting dried and tinned foods, washing up liquid, washing powder, pasta sauces in jars, deodorant, toothpaste etc for **Homeless Action in Barnet**. It would be fantastic if everyone could donate something to support this very worthwhile cause. Please bring in all your donations on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>**, and bring them directly to the hall where we will be ready to receive them to make an instant display for our assembly.

