



HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

'We support our children to be their best.'

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PTA Christmas Fair

The PTA Christmas fair was a huge success. There were so many parent volunteers which was amazing. Children from the school got involved with helping at stalls – something they very much enjoy and the experience is so good for them. When the fair got started the hall was absolutely filled with parents and children buying things and playing games at the stalls. Thank you to Santa who came to visit!! An amazing event from the PTA committee – with particular thanks to Laura for all of her hard work with this great event.



PTA KS2 FESTIVE QUIZ

The PTA annual KS2 quiz will take place again this year for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 next week. The quiz is £1 to enter and should be paid for on the school money system.

The Classes will do the quiz in their classrooms in the final week – arranged at a suitable time by the class teachers. The children will sit in their house groups and will compete against the other houses in their classroom. The quiz is always a very enjoyable event. Thanks in advance to Mrs Theuma for organising all of the questions. This will be a lovely event in the final week.

QUIZ TIME

Jazzy Jumper Day

There will be a PTA Jazzy jumper day of the last day of term **Thursday 21st December**, for a contribution of a £1 donation on school money.



Christmas Parties and Party Food

For the annual Christmas parties we always ask parents to provide food for a party tea. We are asking that children should bring in a small party pack on the day of their party SEPARATE to any packed lunch. This will be their own party pack for their party day. The party pack must not contain nuts. No fizzy drinks can be brought in. Children will need named water bottles. Children will take home their rubbish and any uneaten food.

Children should come to school on the day of their party wearing party clothes (sensible shoes) for the whole day. Please make sure that the party clothes are warm clothes

Class Christmas Present

As it is the festive season, you may want to buy a Christmas/wintery book and donate it to the class from your child. You can wrap the book up as a present and write a label to the class on the parcel. Inside the book you could write a message inside the front cover saying it is to the whole class from your child at Christmas 2023. You could even design your own bookplate from your child and stick that inside the book. A list of possible book titles is attached to this newsletter. Children get an enormous sense of pride seeing the teacher unwrap a gift to the class from them. Last Christmas several families chose to do and it was great for the school book corners!

New Holly Park Dance Clubs for Years 3,4,5 and 6

We are delighted to be starting two new dance clubs in January. Following the success of a recent Y6 WW2 dance workshop, we have asked the same company to run two new clubs for us.

Y3 and 4 on a Monday lunchtime.

Y5 and 6 after school on Monday

Sign up is completely done through the company and not through the school. I am sure that this will be very popular and that places will go quickly. Please see the flier attached at the end of the newsletter.

Smart Watches

A reminder that SMART watches are not allowed in school. Watches that have capability to link to the Internet or to make and receive phone calls are not allowed. At primary school age it is more important that children can learn to tell the time on an analogue watch. With Christmas coming up, I just wanted to remind parents that these SMART watches cannot be worn at school. Children need to be able to tell the time when they leave Primary school. To help children become fluent at telling the time we would suggest that it would be very useful for children to have this watch:

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Analog-Quartz-Learning-Interchangeable-Textile/dp/B0B9MC68TX/ref=sr_l_4_sspa?crid=3CAXV8FC95AIZ&keywords=kids%2Banalogue%2Bwrist%2Bwatch%2Bblearning%2Bwatch%2B2pcs&qid=1699260318&sprefix=kids%2Banalogue%2Bwrist%2Bwatch%2Bblearning%2Bwatch%2B2pcs%2Caps%2C47&sr=8-4-spons&sp_csd=d2lkZ2V0TmFtZT1zcF9hdGY&th=1

In order to be good at telling the time, children would greatly benefit from having their own watch that they wear every day. With many festivals including Christmas happening at this time of year where children may get gifts - we thought it was a good time to mention it.

Attendance

Whole school attendance for last week was 92%

Well done to Y5 Juniper Class with the best attendance at 97%.

Dates

Monday 18th December Y3 Nativity at 2.15pm

Tuesday 19th December EYFS parties

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Wednesday 20th December Year 1 and 2 parties

Wednesday 20th December Y3 and Y4 parties

Thursday 21st December Term ends at 1.30pm

Spring Term begins Tuesday 9th January 2024





HOLLY PARK SCHOOL

STREET DANCE CLUB

Yrs 3-4

**Monday Lunchtime
12.20-1pm**

Yrs 5-6

**Monday Afterschool
3.30-4.30pm**

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