



# HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

'We support our children to be their best.'

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## The Holly Park Big Appeal – New Library- We did it!!!

This morning our crowd funder stands at an amazing £6,187 and an extra £907.75 in gift aid. We have absolutely smashed the target of £5,000 from crowd funding. Thank you so much to everyone who donated to this appeal. We did it!!!! The crowd funder doesn't officially close until Sunday evening so if you want to contribute still – there are 2 days left. Every £5 donated will now buy a new book for the library. Next week I will update you on how the total fundraising for the library is going. Thank you so much for your help and support with this project which will make such a huge difference to the children.



## Raising Funds – Getting involved

Marcos & Aris (and Toffee the dog!) made £80 during half term from their front garden pop-up shop! Some very generous customers and neighbours :) Such a fantastic way that the boys got involved to support the appeal.



## Sponsored Read (Reception to Y6)

The sponsored read end today. All funds raised will go towards our new library. The sponsored read is a great way to get the children involved in making a difference and helping to create a new library.

Once they have completed the reading period, the children should collect up the money and bring it into school in the envelope provided. We hope that all money will be collected and **brought in by Friday 14th June.**

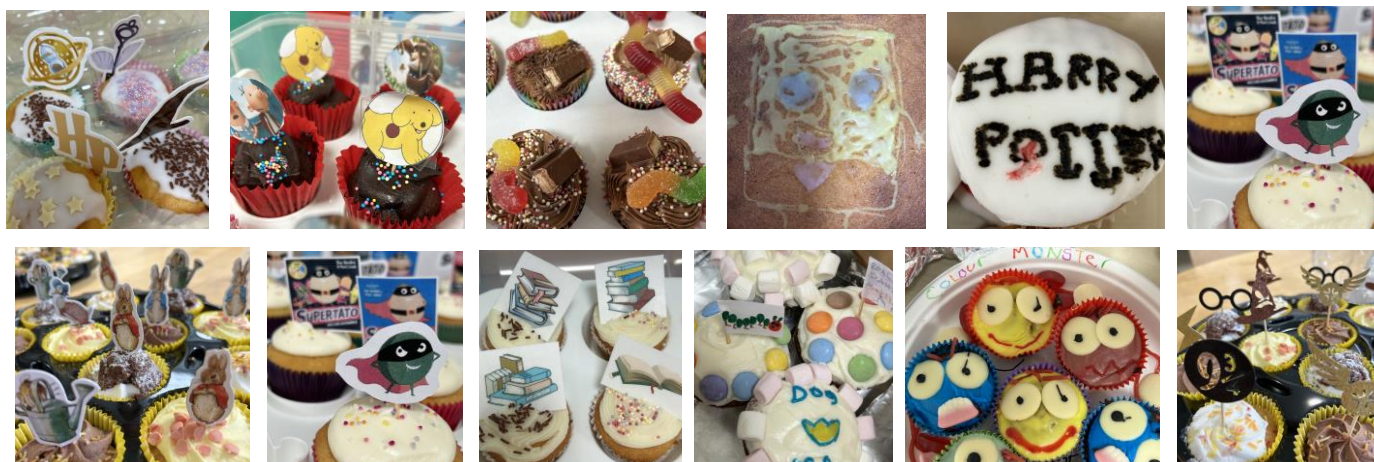
All children who bring in sponsor money will get a sticker saying that they did the sponsored read and that they supported the library appeal. Hopefully the children who engage with this will feel involved and a part of the process and feel like they are making a difference to the school.





## Library Appeal – Crowd Funder Closing Event – Book Themed Cupcake Sale

We have the book themed cake sale after school today. Thank you so much to those who provided cakes and to those who will be buying them.



## Challenge Marshall

Steve Marshall is a very familiar Barnet Education Learning Service member of staff who has worked for Barnet for numerous years supporting newly qualified teachers, SATs, Science, assessment etc (he wears a lot of hats!). Before half term he attempted to visit 100 Barnet schools in one day by walking and using buses to raise money for charity and to encourage sustainable living.

Steve is also using the challenge as an opportunity to raise money for charity, and you can donate at: <https://tinyurl.com/ChallengeSponsor>.

Well done to Steve who rose to the Challenge and managed to visit 70 Barnet schools on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, between 8.00am and 5.45pm only using buses and walking, raising £1,400 for charity. He walked 40,000 steps (18.89 miles) for a total of 6 hours and carried out 30 bus journeys over the course of the day. The proceeds raised will be split between the MS Society, Live Unlimited (which provides opportunities to Barnet's looked after children and care leavers) and the borough's School Library Resources Service.

Steve made it to Holly earlier than expected at about 2pm. He loved the banner that we have made to support him. Here is a photo of him outside the school with a newspaper as proof of the day!

He hopes his challenge will inspire more parents and children to get to and from school by walking, cycling or using public transport, reducing pollution from car exhaust fumes. This will help the council achieve its target of making Barnet a net zero borough by 2042.



## Raising Funds for North London Hospice

Mrs Kelly, Isabelle and Harry all decided to support our local North London Hospice during half term. They separately got sponsors and completed the North London Hospice walk from East Finchley to Westminster.



## Scooters In School

While it is wonderful to see so many bicycles and scooters parked in school during the day, please can I remind parents that children should be walking these in at the start of the school day and walking them out at the end of the school day. There are too many people on the school site to make it safe for scooters and bicycles to be ridden except outside the school gates. Please remind your children about this and also please stop them if they do get on to ride.

## Attendance

Whole school attendance for the last week of half term was 96%

Well done to Y6 Beech Class with the best attendance at 99%.

Attendance from the start of the school year in September to this half term was 95%

## Dates

Monday 10th June	Year 1 Phonics Check week
Monday 10th June	Secondary transfer meeting Y5 parents at 9.00am
Monday 10th June	Y4 trip to the Tower of London
Tuesday 11th June	Class Photos
Wednesday 12th	Y5 to the Wallace collection
Wednesday 12th June	PTA Fathers' day shop
Thursday 13th June	PTA Fathers' day shop
Friday 14th June	Nursery trip 1 to Princess Diana memorial Playground
Monday 17th June	Meeting for parents new nursery/reception 2024/25 7pm
Tuesday 18th June	Barnet Music Festival
Tuesday 18th June	The Debate challenge workshop (Y5 children)
Tuesday 18th June	Nursery open session for new parents 4-5pm
Thursday 20th June	Diversity Day: Be yourself Thursday
Thursday 20th June	Y6 Barnet Junior Citizenship programme
Friday 21st June	Y3 Team Building day
Monday 24th June	Junior Sports 10.30am
Tuesday 25th June	Nursery open session for new parents 4-5pm
Wednesday 26th June	Infant Sports 10.30am
Wednesday 26th June	Y5 to Cuffley Camp
Thursday 27th June	PTA Movie Night
Thursday 4th July	The Debate Challenge day (Y5 children)
Friday 5th July	Nursery trip 2 to Princess Diana memorial Playground
Monday 8th July	Reports emailed home across this week
Thursday 11th July	Reception trip to Tate Britain
Thursday 11th July	National Charity Young Minds – wear yellow
Monday 15th July	Y6 show week
Friday 19th July	New Classes announced for September 2024
Saturday 20th July	PTA summer fair
Monday 22nd July	Reception Assembly Performance at 9.30am
Monday 22nd July	Y6 Careers Fair
Tuesday 23rd July	Children to visit new classes and teachers
Tuesday 23rd July	Junior Duke celebration event 2.30pm
Tuesday 23rd July	Y6 Leavers' Party 7pm – 9pm
Wednesday 24th July	Y6 Leavers' ceremony at 9.30am
Wednesday 24th July	End of term at 1.30pm



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