



HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

'We support our children to be their best.'

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Sport Curriculum Day – World Cup Dance

We had another sport curriculum day where children across the school took part in World Cup dance lessons. The children learned dance routines from Brazil, England and America. The children and staff absolutely loved it!



Spread Your Wings Day

Children came to school dressed in a costume with wings for a donation of £1 on School Money for the charity 'Spread Your Wings'. Children came dressed as fairies, pixies, butterflies, bees, birds, dragonflies, ladybirds, super heroes with capes, Peter Pan, Tinker bell, Mythical creatures with wings. It was a wonderful collection.



PTA Rainbow Raffle

Thank you to everyone who donated – if you completely forgot – please bring an item for your year group on Monday. It is very much appreciated.

Nursery: RED

Reception: ORANGE

Year 1: YELLOW

Year 2: GREEN

Year 3: BLUE

Year 4: PURPLE

Year 5: WHITE

Year 6: BLACK



Diversity Day: Be Yourself Thursday (18th June)

On Thursday 18th June we are having 'Be Yourself Day' It's a day for the children to celebrate and acknowledge the beauty of being themselves and their unique capabilities. It's also a day to celebrate *everyone's* differences. It's a day to be yourself - the focus is about believing in their dreams, embracing their uniqueness, and inspiring them to use joy and laughter. We are asking the children to come to school that day wearing clothes that celebrate who they are – be it party clothes, a particular colour of clothes, pyjamas, dressing up clothes, sports clothes etc

Barnet Music Festival

On Wednesday night our KS2 choir children sang at the annual Barnet school Music festival. The event is organised by BEAT (Barnet Education Arts Trust) This was the twenty fifth year of the festival. The event took place at the Arts depot in North Finchley with an audience of 500 people. The event goes on for a week with approximately 51 primary schools taking part and over a thousand children participating. Miss Halil had arranged a lovely song for the choir. They sang 'heal the World' by Michael Jackson. They sang extremely well and looked very smart. It was a lovely event to attend. Thank you to the children and Miss Halil who all did the school proud.



Author Visit – Hollie Hughes

A big thank you and well done to Miss Mountford who organised the author Hollie Hughes to visit the school this week. Hollie did an assembly for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children. She then went to Nursery to read some of her books. She then did book making workshops for Years 3, 4 and 5 in the hall. A huge thanks to the PTA who paid for the visit so that the children could have this wonderful opportunity.



Waste Audit

We have come to the end of our sustainability project with 'In the Know' and North London Waste Authority. This week our visitors came back to do audit 2 with Mrs Fitzpatrick and the Eco Council. They came to weigh our waste and to see if we had made improvements since the project began.

I am delighted to say that they were impressed with both our waste audit action plan and our waste reduction.

The 3 highlights from our project were:

- We developed a curriculum map with links which is rolling out in Sept 2027.
- Teachers from Holly Park attended a CPD away day.
- School chefs received training on how to prevent food waste.

Between the two audits, overall waste has dropped a lot, especially food waste, and rubbish is now being sorted better with more in the correct bin

Recycling rate went from 69% to 86%.

Waste went from 127Kg per day to 31Kg per day

Waste and recycling accuracy had improved since audit 1 and now 97% of waste is in the right bin!

Overall, we are producing less waste and there is better accuracy in waste going into the correct bins. All kinds of waste have been reduced including food waste from classrooms, offices and playgrounds which is now also going in the correct bins. Well done to everyone for being more aware of waste in general.



Attendance

Whole school attendance for the last week was 97%
Well done to Year 1 Pine Class with the best attendance at 100%.

Dates

Monday 15 th June	Secondary transfer meeting Y5 parents at 9.00am
Monday 15 th June	New Reception and Nursery parent meeting 7pm
Tuesday 16 th June	Y2 to Kew Gardens
Wednesday 17 th June	Class Photos
Thursday 18 th June	Diversity day – Be yourself Thursday
Friday 19 th June	Y3 Team Building day
Monday 22 nd June	Y5 trip to Science Museum
Thursday 25 th June	Y1-5 Yoga sessions
Friday 26 th June	Y1-5 Yoga sessions
Tuesday 30 th June	Copthall Athletics competition
Wednesday 1 st July	Infant Sports 10.30am
Wednesday 1 st July	Choir Concert
Friday 3 rd July	Junior Sports 10.30am
Monday 6 th July	Reports emailed home across this week
Tuesday 7 th July	Debate Challenge
Tuesday 7 th July	Reception Palm Green to Barnet Environmental Centre
Thursday 9 th July	Junior Duke Celebration event 9am
Thursday 9 th July	Reception Palm Red to Barnet Environmental Centre
Friday 10 th July	New Classes announced for September 2026
Monday 13 th July	Y6 show week
Monday 13 th July	Children to visit new classes and teachers
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 Careers Fair
Thursday 16 th July	Reception Assembly Performance at 9.30am
Thursday 16 th July	Y6 Leavers' Party 7pm – 9pm
Friday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers' ceremony at 9.30am
Friday 17 th July	End of term at 1.30pm
Monday 20th July	Inset Day



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