HOLLY PARK
NEWSLETTER

'We support our children to be their best.'

Inclusion is everybody's responsibility – essential for some and good for all

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www.hollyparkschool.co.uk

NEW AUDIO-VISUAL EQUIPMENT

Thank you so much to everyone who has donated to our crowd funder for new equipment in the hall.
We are so close to the end now…..
Please spread the word
Please share the link to the video with family and friends
Please put it on your social media accounts etc
A new screen and sound system will really help us
If you are able to donate – it will be much appreciated – every amount counts.

This is the link: crowdfunder.co.uk/p/hollypark-2026

Sponsored Event

Thank you to those children who did the sponsored screen free day in half term. Thank you also to family and friends who sponsored them. If you still have sponsor money to add to the crowd funder for your child, please do so as soon as you can.
Sponsor money can be uploaded here: crowdfunder.co.uk/p/hollypark-2026

Estate Agent Boards

We just need another 3 more people to have an estate agent board outside their house and Austin Chambers will give £500 to our appeal.
If you are not able to contribute to the appeal financially BUT really do want to help – having a board is free of cost and you will be helping us to get £500.
If you can take a board please email Leanne Hall at – lhall@hollypark.barnet.sch.uk

Cultural Day

Today is our annual Cultural Day. The children came dressed to represent their cultural heritage. This is an opportunity for children to share and talk about their cultural heritage with others.
Each year group had a theme to discuss and explore based on an aspect of cultural heritage:
Nursery - FOOD from different cultures
Reception - FAMILIES from different cultures
Year 1 - STORIES from different cultures
Year 2 - CELEBRATIONS from different cultures
Year 3 - ART from different cultures
Year 4 - DANCE from different cultures
Year 5 - CLOTHING from different cultures
Year 6 - MUSIC from different cultures
As children progress through the school they will get to consider all of these different aspects of Culture each year.
Article 30 - Minority culture, language and religion: Children have the right to use their own language, culture and religion - even if these are not shared by most people in the country where they live.









Book Looks

You are invited to come and look at your child's work ahead of the parent consultation evening. These are happening next week before consultations. There are 2 book looks so do be sure to get the right date

There is a KS1 Book Look – this is for Y1 and Y2

There is a KS2 Book Look – this is for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

The idea is that you can go into the classroom and sit down with your child and look at their work. This will give you an idea about how you think your child is doing ahead of parent meetings. Please be aware however that in Year 1 there will not be huge amounts of work in the first term, as much of the work that the children are doing is practical. The classrooms are open from approx 3.45 to 5.45. You can come along any time within that window. (At the end of the school day, the teacher will indicate when you can come in once the teacher has made sure all of the children are safely accounted for) You will probably spend approximately 20-30 minutes with your child and their books. The teacher will not be present in the room as this is for children and parents to look together. The event is not really suitable for toddlers. However, if it is unavoidable that they have to attend due to child care, we do ask that they stay with you and do not wander round the classrooms and play with equipment. At the end of the session, please leave your child's work in a pile on the desk.

Individual Photograph Day

Individual Photograph Day is Thursday **12th November.** The school photographer will be here that day to take individual and sibling photographs. If you have ticked no school photographs on the form, then your child/children will not have their school photograph taken. If you are not sure, please check with the school office today.

***IF your child normally has PE on a Thursday – please do NOT come to school on Thursday 13th November in PE Kit for the school photographs – please come to school that day in school uniform (for the photographs) and bring the PE kit in a drawstring PE bag. Children will change for PE in school that day and take their PE kit and uniform home on the same day

Letting Our School Hall

Over the past couple of years we have been letting out our school hall at weekends for all kinds of events including parties. We also hire the hall out after 6pm on weekdays for clubs and groups e.g Karate. All lettings are booked through a company called 'Sharesy'

If you would be interested in having a birthday party in the school hall you can book this through the Sharesy website. Booking can include the main hall, the dining hall, the Astro ball area or the playgrounds.

If you would be interested in hiring a part of the school for an event you can go to:

https://www.sharesy.com/v/holly-park-primary-school

Consultation Meetings for Year 1 to Year 6

This week bookings have gone live to make an appointment to meet the class teacher. You will have received a text telling you that you can now book. You just need to follow the link to book your slot with your teacher.

It is a first come first served system and parents can only book on available slots.

Attendance

Whole school attendance for last week was 97 %

Well done to Year 5 Juniper Class with the best attendance at 98%.

Dates

Monday 9th November	Year 5/6 Bikeability all week
Wednesday 11th November	KS2 Book Look 3.30-5.30pm
Thursday 12th November	Individual Photograph Day
Thursday 12th November	KS1 Book Look 3.30-5.30pm
Friday 13th November	Meeting for all parents: Enrichment
Monday 16th November	Parents in Class to Read Together 8.45-9.15am
Monday 16th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 17th November	Year 5 Juniper Class assembly 9am
Tuesday 17th November	Meeting for Y5 parents - Y6 residential in 2027 9.30
Wednesday 18th November	Consultations for KS1 & KS2 4-6.30pm
Thursday 19th November	Consultations for KS1 and KS2 4-6.30pm
Friday 20th November	INSET DAY
Tuesday 24th November	Year 4 Mulberry Class assembly 9am
Monday 30th November	Decorations Day
Friday 4th December	Reading meeting for Reception parents at 9am
Monday 7th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 8th December	Y3 Nativity at 2.15pm
Tuesday 8th December	Nursery stay and play for new children 4-5pm
Wednesday 9th December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 10th December	Y3 Nativity at 9.30am
Friday 11th December	Meeting for KS1 and Y3 parents: Colourful Semantics
Monday 14th December	Y3 and Y4 parties
Tuesday 15th December	EYFS parties
Tuesday 15th December	Y1 and Y2 parties
Wednesday 16th December	Y5 and Y6 parties
Thursday 17th December	Choir sing a long 2pm
Friday 19th December	Term ends at 1.30pm