



Newsletter

Spring 2 – Week 3

Week beginning – 06/03/2023



Library Visits Next Week

A quick reminder of the library visits for next week:

F2WS on Thursday 16th March in the morning.

6IR on Thursday 16th March in the afternoon.

If your child has a library card, they are welcome to bring this on the day to withdraw books.



Mentions:

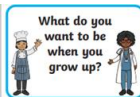
Although there have been no mentions or Golden Table this week, we would like to say how extremely proud we are of all the children for taking the change in weather in their stride and for moving around the site sensibly.

Attendance:

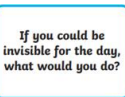
There are no attendance figures this week. Please check here next week for the latest figures.

Time 2 Chat:

For this weeks time to talk we would like you to ask your child some of the questions below. Maybe you could encourage your child to expand on their answers by asking further questions such as:
Why would you want to be that?
What is it you like about.....?
What do you think it would be like?
What would you do?



What do you want to be when you grow up?



If you could be invisible for the day, what would you do?



Where would you like to travel?



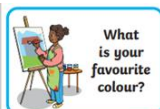
What is the most amazing thing you have ever seen?



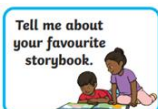
What is your favourite word?



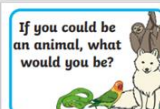
What 3 words do you think best describe you?



What is your favourite colour?



Tell me about your favourite storybook.



If you could be an animal, what would you be?



Who is your favourite TV character?

Sign of the week:



Holi - Hindu



Colours



<https://www.facebook.com/MakatonwithStellz/videos/today-is-holi-the-hindu-festival-of-spring-colours-happy-holi-%EF%B8%8Ftodays-sign-is-na/527501151235501/>

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Tuesday 7th March 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,



Easter Egg Hunt & Fun Friday

31st March 2.30pm – 4pm

Following the success of our Christmas Fair, we would like to invite families to join us for our Easter Egg Hunt and Fun Friday on **Friday 31st March from 2.30pm – 4pm**. Children will be dismissed from their normal places at 2.30pm and you will be able to bring them to do some fun Easter themed events.

We will be offering a board game session for any children that are not collected by 2.30pm; these children will then be dismissed at 3.10pm via an allocated doorway (to be confirmed). **If you know that you will not be collecting your child at 2.30pm, please complete the form on ParentMail so we have an indication of how many children will be attending the board game session.**

Our main attraction will be the Easter Egg hunt where families will be able to use their geography and orienteering skills to track down the clues and win a prize. Tickets for the egg hunt will be priced at £2 each; any orienteering sheets that are returned will be exchanged for a chocolate treat and all correct answers will go into a raffle to win an Easter prize, which will be drawn in assembly. Tickets will be available to purchase via ParentMail from Monday 13th March.

We will also have some stalls with items to purchase and there will be snacks and drinks for sale, including hot dogs and candy floss.

We are looking for some items for the tombola stall and are asking donations of Easter Themed goodies and unwanted gifts by Friday 17th March.

Please ensure that any food items or drinks are in date and sealed.

In advance of the Easter Egg Hunt and Fun Friday Event, we will also be selling raffle tickets on Parentmail at £1.00 a ticket to win an Easter themed hamper. These will be available from Monday 13th March.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Sheridan, Mrs Tarpey & Mrs Bent



Diary Dates



Monday 13th March	Balance Bikes
Monday 13th March	Bikeability Y3 & Y4
Wb 13th March	Mothers Day Plant Pot Making
Friday 17th March	Comic Relief
Wednesday 22nd March	Y5 Trip to NTU
Monday 20th March	Parents Evening
Tuesday 21st March	Parents Evening
Wednesday 22nd March	Parents Evening
Thursday 23rd March	Parents Evening
Friday 31st March	Easter Egg Hunt and Fun Friday



Please remember to label all your child's belongings with their name. If you are missing any items, please check our lost property.

Term Dates:

Please see below for the Nottinghamshire County Council School holiday dates for 2022/23.

Last Day of Spring Term – 31/03/2023.

Easter holidays – 03/04/2023 – 14/04/2023.

Inset Days

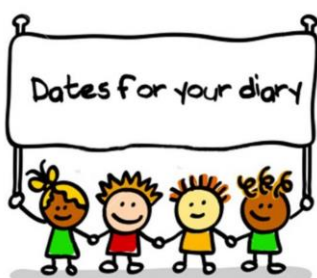
Monday 24th July

Tuesday 25th July

Class Emails:

Nursery (Miss Taylor/Mrs Dixon)	HPF1@holgateprimary.org
F2SB (Mrs Bacon)	F2SB@holgateprimary.org
F2WS (Mr Smith)	F2WS@holgateprimary.org
1HO (Mrs O'Kane)	1HO@holgateprimary.org
1RW (Miss Wood)	1RW@holgateprimary.org
2EB (Miss Baker)	2EB@holgateprimary.org
2RV (Miss Wragg)	2RV@holgateprimary.org
3JB (Mrs Bardgett)	3JB@holgateprimary.org
3NW (Mrs Wilkinson)	3NW@holgateprimary.org
4AR (Mr Rathe)	4AR@holgateprimary.org
4AW (Miss Davies)	4AW@holgateprimary.org
5DG (Mr Gleave)	5DG@holgateprimary.org
5GS (Mr Smith)	5GS@holgateprimary.org
6AW (Mrs Woodhead)	6AW@holgateprimary.org
6IR (Miss Roe)	6IR@holgateprimary.org

After school clubs



Day	Club	Year Group
Monday	Football	KS2
	Gymnastics	KS2
	Choir	KS2
	Pen Pal with Art	KS2
Wednesday	Dough Y1-Y5	Y1-Y5
Thursday	Film Club	Whole School
	Glee Club	Whole School
Friday	Multi-Sports	KS2



EYFS

Nursery have enjoyed the new feelings area, they have used the emotion spoons to show how they are feeling and tried to write any worries on the slips of paper which they have posted into the worry monster.



This week at forest school the **F2** children have been super helpers, wheeling barrows of gravel and helping to dig a big hole in which to put in our new Forest School dipping pond. This will be safely fenced off when unsupervised and we hope to have lots of new wildlife visiting this new habitat in the future.



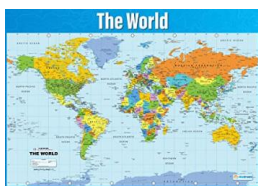
KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

On Monday, **Year 2** had an exciting visit from Hucknall Fire Station. First, we learned about The Great Fire of London. We shared our knowledge about how the fire started and how it spread. Then, we talked about fire safety. Finally, we went outside to see their fire engine. The children were able to go inside the fire engine and squirt the hose. Miss Wragg even tried on the uniform!

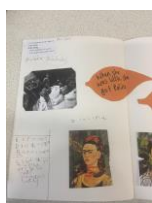


KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

Y3 - This week in our vehicle lessons (Around Europe in 80 days) the focus has been Geography. We have learnt about the location of the equator, the Arctic and Antarctic circles and Eastern and Western Europe. Map work can be very tricky, so recapping this knowledge is always useful. Have a look on Google Maps with your child to explore this further.



This week **Year 4** have been studying Mexican artist Frida Kahlo who is remembered for her self-portraits and bold, vibrant colours.

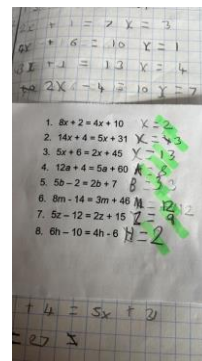


KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

Year 5 have started a new unit of work in English this week. This is based on the true story of Phillipe Petit, who walked on a tight rope between The Twin Towers in the 1974. The text is called 'The Man Who Walked Between The Towers.' and the children in year 5 have loved hearing about his story and seeing some real images of the walk. Also, in reading this week, we have been learning about tsunamis, how these are caused and the devastating impact these can have. We have read a fact file all about tsunamis and have then completed a variety of tasks about this.



This week **Year 6** has been battling the complexities of algebra, formula and equations in maths. Our brains have been fried. The children have been brilliant working on SATs style questions. Who remembers X equals 5 when they were at school? Hands up please.



Moonster Phonics

These are the phonemes that each class in Early Years and Key Stage 1 are focusing on this week.



In F2, our phonemes for this week are....

igh (as in light)

Our common exception words are....

like, by, when, little what

In Year 1, our phonemes for this week are....

ve (as in love) and **ai** (as in rain), **oi** (as in boil) and **ay** (as in play)

Our common exception words are....

which, head dragon animals couldn't, eyes, lived boat, cried



In Year 2, our phonemes for this week are....

wr (as in wrong)

Our common exception words are....

Even, people, clothes and home



You can help your child with their phonics at home by reading and writing words containing this phoneme.

Don't forget to read as often as you can and record this in your child's reading diary too!

Nursery Rhymes at Holgate

In EYFS and Key Stage 1, the children will be having a weekly nursery rhyme focus.

This will be practised in each class throughout the week as well as during assemblies.

Every Friday, this will be put on the newsletter in preparation for the upcoming week. This will give you chance to engage with the nursery rhyme with your child at home too.

The nursery rhyme for the upcoming week is ...



Polly Put The Kettle On

Polly put the kettle on,
Polly put the kettle on,
Polly put the kettle on,
We'll all have tea.

Sukey take it off again,
Sukey take it off again,
Sukey take it off again,
They've all gone away.

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2022-23



September 2022 to July 2023

September 2022

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May 2023

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June 2023

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July 2023

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August 2023

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 School Holidays

 Public Holidays

 Administration Day

Autumn Term

Schools Open - morning Wednesday 31 August 2022
Half Term - Monday 17 October 2022 - Friday 28 October
Schools close - evening Wednesday 21 December 2022

Spring Term

Summer Term

Schools Open - morning Tuesday 17 April 2023
May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 1 May 2023
King's Coronation Bank Holiday - Monday 8 May 2023
Half Term - Monday 29 May 2023 - Friday 2 June 2023
Schools Close - evening Tuesday 25 July 2023