

Newsletter

Autumn 2 – Week 7
Week beginning – 18/12/2023



As the term comes to an end, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and involvement with learning at Holgate. It has been a very busy term filled with trips, visitors, some fantastic end outcomes, choir performances, a disco, a Christmas Fair, concerts, nativities and lots of fantastic learning! We hope that you all have a wonderful Christmas break and enjoy some quality time with loved ones. Stay safe, look after each other and we look forward to seeing you back safe and well on Thursday 4th January 2024!

*Best wishes to you all,
Mrs Sheridan and the team at Holgate xx*

Mentions:

Nursery: Bobby WL, Georgia C.

Reception: Lola B, Emilia H, Joseph CY, Olive H.

Year 1: Luna C, Emma D.

Year 2: Jacob B, Georgia E, All 2EB.

Year 3: Jessica M, Millie J, Jacob CY,

Year 4: Xander E, George P, Aseel N.

Year 5: Rejus B, Ellie-Mae A, Jenson-Lee H, Emily W.

Year 6: Alex T, Abigail O, Alfie I, Renesmae W.

Attendance:

**Whole
School
attendance:** 91%

**Winning
Classes:** 1HO – 96.07%

Mentions continued..

Weeking commencing 11th December:

Nursery: Ezrae D, Aksel M.

Reception: Ellis H, Halima G, Ivey W.

Year 1: Aliza C, Andrew A, Amelia W.

Year 2: Alfie B, Sebastian P, Callum C, Suzanna C.

Year 3: Ruby C, Harper A, Jenson W.

Year 4: All year 4 in 3/4ED, Genesis R, Kacey P.

Year 5: Ava H, Lucy C, Arthur T, Daisy G.

Year 6: William M, Orla A, Layla M, Kayden H.

Week commencing 4th December:

Nursery: Oscar H, Jason O.

Reception: Adefolake B, Georgie S, Jameela B.

Year 1: Hailee S, Olivia C, Toby M.

Year 2: Gracie J, Abigail B, Mylo A, Suzanna C.

Year 3: All year 3, Preston-Joe C.

Year 4: Ollie D, Amy M, Loki B

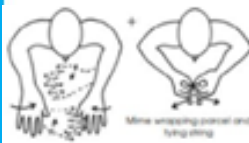
Year 5: Louie H, Reagan A, Rejus B, Miley C.

Year 6: Dylan R, Freya D, Brandon C, Lacey C.

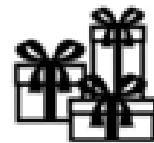
Sign of the week:



Christmas Tree



Present



Elf



["Christmas Tree" Makaton Sign Language \(UK\) - YouTube](#)

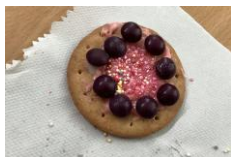
[Learn the Makaton sign for Presents - YouTube](#)

[Makaton for 'Elf' - YouTube](#)

Mindset Club

Here is what Mindset Club have been up to over the past few weeks.

It's never too early to decorate Christmas bauble biscuits. The mindset group had a lovely time choosing their icing colours and adding the toppings. There was a lot of chatter about Christmas presents but we gave ourselves a moment to consider others less fortunate than ourselves.



It's getting near to Christmas now, so of course the robins had to make an appearance. They are such friendly little birds and we talked about what bird we would choose to be and why. We thought about what makes a good friend.



We were talking about snowflakes in Mindset this week. The children were surprised to learn that no two snowflakes are ever the same. This led us to discuss how unique and special we all are.



Choir and Glee

A huge well done to the members of Choir and Glee Club for your performances throughout December. You did us proud! Thank you to the families who attended and to Mrs Hicklin and Miss Kennedy for their work with the Choir.

Please see the flyer for other events held at St Marys church over Christmas.

Visiting your church this Christmas...

Christmas Services & Activities

You are welcome to worship with us every Sunday, particularly during Advent when we prepare for Christmas.

- **Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary Magdalene,**
5pm - 7.30pm Wednesday 6th December
9.30am - 7.30pm Thursday and Friday 7th, 8th December
9.30am - 12 noon Saturday 9th December
(Winners announced at 12.15pm)
- **Christingle Service 4pm Sunday 10th December**
at **St John the Evangelist,**
When we celebrate Jesus as the Light of the World.
"The service with the orange"
- **Carol Service**
Sunday 17th December 7pm at St Mary Magdalene
- **Crib Service 3pm and 4.30pm 24th December**
at **St Mary Magdalene,**
A celebration of Christmas designed for families
- **Christmas Services of Holy Communion.**
Sunday 24th December 11.30pm at St Mary Magdalene
Monday 25th December 10am at St Mary Magdalene

St Mary Magdalene
Market Place

St John the Evangelist
Church, Hucknall

St John the Evangelist
1 Nottingham Rd.

Christingle

Crib Service





Thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Fair this year. We hope you all had a fabulous time and well done to our prize winners! The Christmas Fair and Scratch Card sales made £1400 for the school fund that will go towards the enrichment of our school and pupils.

Term Dates:

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

Return to school 04/01/2024.

Half Term – 12/02/2024 – 16/02/2024.

Easter holidays – 29/03/2024 – 12/04/2024.

Class Emails:

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F2Y1SB (Mrs Bacon)	F2Y1SB@holgateprimary.org
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2EB (Miss Baker)	2EB@holgateprimary.org
2DG (Mr Gleave)	2DG@holgateprimary.org
3JB (Mrs Bardgett)	3JB@holgateprimary.org
34ED (Miss Davies)	34ED@holgateprimary.org
4NW (Mrs Wilkinson)	4NW@holgateprimary.org
5IR (Miss Roe)	5IR@holgateprimary.org
5KK (Miss Kennedy)	5KK@holgateprimary.org
6AR (Mr Rathe)	6AR@holgateprimary.org
6AW (Mrs Woodhead)	6AW@holgateprimary.org

After school clubs

Here are our afterschool clubs for the next half term. If you would like to sign up your child for a club, please see forms on ParentMail or speak with the school office.



Day	Club	Year Group
Monday	Football	Y3-Y6
Monday	Pen Pal	Y4-Y6
Monday	Dodgeball	Y2 -Y6
Tuesday	Glee	Y1-Y6
Tuesday	ECO Club	ECO Council
Wednesday	Dough	Y1- Y6
Wednesday	Lego Club	Y3 -Y6
Thursday	Choir	Y1 - Y6
Thursday	Board Games	Y2 - Y6
Thursday	Craft Club	F2 - Y6



EYFS

Nursery have been busy enjoying their new role play area. We have been practicing our fine motor skills and coordination whilst wrapping presents in our new Santa's Workshop. We did a great job!



The children in **Nursery** thought Santa's beard might feel soft, so we coloured some pictures of him and added cotton wool to make his soft beard. Great job nursery.



All the children in **Nursery** would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas. Hope you all have lots of fun and we will see you all in the new year. xxx

KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

Y5 have welcomed Matt Cooke from Framework to talk to us about how the charity support homeless people in Nottingham. We discovered that there are different types of homelessness and how Framework's outreach team help people who are on the streets in our local area. **Y5** discovered that charities like Framework also support vulnerable people to gain employment, find accommodation and actually help people until they become independent.



KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

Last week **Y3** were working on the skills needed to write a diary. It is a different type of writing, a personal account of what has happened. You write in the first person – I, me, my. You include your feelings showing emotion. Do you know anyone who has written a diary? Have you ever written a diary?

Y3 have completed the D&T project of making a moving page all about the Stone Age. Making the mechanism was very tricky at first but we have mastered it using our skills and imagination. We had to think carefully about what the characters were doing in our story, so it matched with our knowledge of the Stone Age. Well done everyone!

What a fantastic time **Y4** had running their own museum. All of the parents and carers that came to visit said how knowledgeable and informative the museum was. A big well done to all of **Y4** for their hard work for our Vehicle on the Romans and the Anglo-Saxons this term!



KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

The dance battle continues in our PE lessons with Mrs Bond. **Y6** have been working very hard on refining their moves and using as much attitude and swagger as possible. We can't wait for the final result.



Over this half term, **Y6** have been learning the vocabulary for clothing in French. They have learnt to say "I am wearing" (je porte) and also the colour of clothing in French comes after the noun. Today we had to decide whether sentences were true or false?



Y6 had a fabulous time this week learning how to weave (Viking style). They've learnt new vocabulary such as warp, waft, comb, yarn and frame. The children are now experts as you can see.



Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2023-24
August 2023 to July 2024



2023/2024

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 School Holidays  Public Holidays  Administration Day

Autumn Term

4 September - 20 October **7 weeks**

6 November - 22 December **7 weeks**

Spring Term

4 January - 9 February **5 weeks 2 days**

19 February - 28 March **5 weeks 4 days**

Summer Term

15 April - 24 May **5 weeks 4 days**

3 June - 26 July **8 weeks**