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# NEWSLETTER

## Important Messages

We have noticed that we have an increased number of children not participating in PE due to not having their PE kit in school. Can we please ask that PE kit is sent in to school and left in school for your child to wear on their PE days but also be available should the day change. We have communicated lots about the PE uniform but wanted to remind you that in the winter months children should have access to their black tracksuit for outdoor PE alongside their plain white T-shirt or the green school logo shirt. PE kits must also include a change of footwear suitable for doing sport in for your child to wear. Thank you for your continued support. Mr Smith - PE lead.



### **KS2 visit Holgate Academy— 29th January**

KS2 are going to Holgate Academy to watch 'Matilda' on stage. Please send children with a packed lunch (unless you are eligible for free school meals and have ordered lunch from school).

### **Y4 Talking Points Assembly—3rd February**

Parents of year 4 children are invited to come and enjoy refreshments and hear about talking points from the children. Refreshments: 2.10pm –2.30pm. Assembly: 2.30pm—3pm.

### **'Coping with Anxiety' Parent Session —6th February**

Free workshop for parents, carers, grandparents etc. Please see ParentMail for full details. You can sign up via ParentMail or by contacting the school office.



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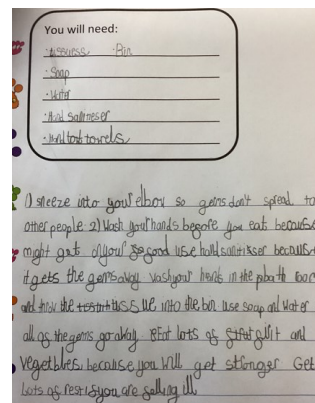
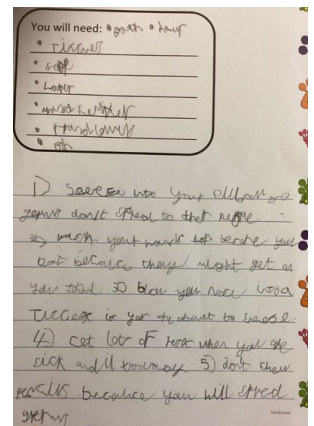
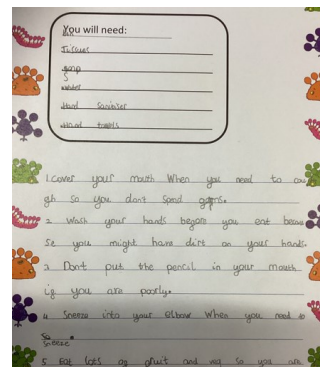
Nursery have continued their topic this week by reading the gingerbread man. After reading the story we decided to bake our own gingerbread people but kept checking they didn't run away!



## EYFS

## Years 1 and 2

This week the **Year 2's** have been writing all about how to stay germ free and healthy. They used imperative verbs and subordination to make the instructions well written.



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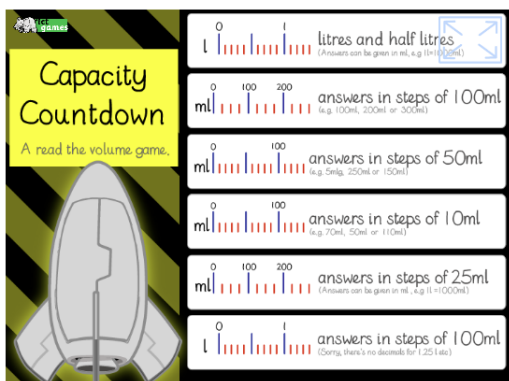
## Years 3 and 4

This week in maths **Year 3** have been measuring volume in liters and milliliters.

We now know  $1000\text{ml} = 1 \text{ litre}$ .

We have used this website in class. Have a go at home to check up on their knowledge.

ICT game - [Capacity Countdown - mobile friendly](#)



This week **Year 5** have been busy applying to be an expedition crew member on Ernest Shackleton's expedition to the Antarctic. We have been combining all our persuasive skills and writing these up formally into a letter. We have also finished our unit on fractions, decimals and percentages and been digging deeper into the desert biome, looking at the Sahara Desert. In music, we have been learning how to play chords from the 12-bar blues on the glockenspiels, in time with singing a piece of blues music and developing our performance skills.



**Year 6** had a really interesting visit from Chloe, who works for Severn Trent. In the workshop, she told us all about what we should be flushing down the toilet and what we shouldn't. She made a sewer soup and explained how our water is cleaned.



## Years 5 and 6

### Message from the Children's Parliament and Children's Forums

The children's parliament shared in assembly they will be conducting a Belonging survey next week.



# Celebrate

This week at Holgate we are celebrating ...

## PRIDE AWARDS

This week we are very proud of the following children who have received **PRIDE** awards from Mrs Sheridan for demonstrating that they are taking **Personal Responsibility In Delivering Excellence**:

Kye P—Y2	Ava H—Y3	Lexi FM—Y6
Luna H—Y2	Kylan M—Y3	Brenden O—Y6
Felicity B—Y3	Daisy F—Y3	
Connor Y—Y3	Oscar W—Y5	
Nancy C - Y3	Louie H—Y6	

## Whole School Attendance:

93.1%

6AW—97.59%

5IR—96.82%

2DG—100%

## Special Mentions

This week our assembly special mention is for: **Someone who shows respect to others.**

We are pleased to announce that the following children received a nomination from their year group team in assembly this week:

**Nursery:** Calla W, Millie S.

**Reception:** Anaya-Grace L, Lennon E, Florence R, Aarush P.

**Year 1:** Mia-Lynn P, Jimmie-Joe B, Edward M.

**Year 2:** Toby M, Olivia U, Emma D.

**Year 3:** Max H, Layla P, James H, Darcie D.

**Year 4:** Harper SP, Archer B, Nancy-Leigh B, Harlow P.

**Year 5:** Kacey P, Darcey C, Harsharn S, Sophia B.

**Year 6:** Christopher A, Lottie H, Louie H, Josh M.



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## Golden Table



Our lunchtime Golden Table for those “always” children who always make the right choices, always follow our school rules and uphold the Transform Trust Values of **Respect, Kindness, Equity and Creativity** will be relaunched next week.

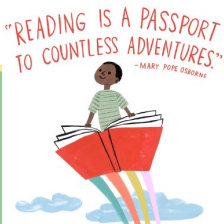
We will now select our “Holgate Heroes” *those “always” children who always make the right choices, always follow our school rules and uphold the Transform Trust Values of Respect, Kindness, Equity and Creativity*, who will get a mention and an invitation during a Friday Celebration Assembly. The invitation will enable to children to come along on Monday lunchtime after eating their dinner to collect a goodie bag and to participate in a special themed activity alongside SLT members and Mrs Cavill. We cannot wait to see who gets the first invites next week.



Reading is such an important life skill and as a school we actively encourage regular reading alone and with others. Using our Boom Reader Records we can see which children are recording their reading regularly.

*Most reads downstairs in school this week— Nursery*

*Most reads upstairs in school this week— 3JB*





## Signs of the Week

This week our school signs of the week are:



School



Library

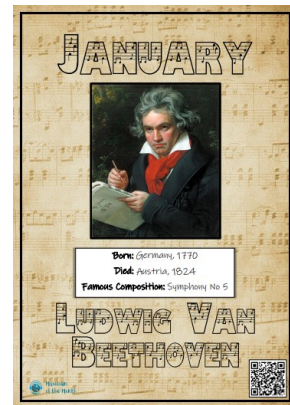


[Makaton for 'School' 📺 - YouTube](#)

[Makaton for 'library' 📺 - YouTube](#)

## Musician of the Month

This month's Musician of the Month is:



More information can be found on the school's website: [Holgate Primary and Nursery - Musician of the month](#)

Musician  
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## After-school Enrichment

Clubs for Spring Term 1 are as follows. Please contact the school office for booking information:

**Monday:** Dance (KS2)

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:** Dodgeball (KS2), Girls Football (KS2).

**Thursday:** Cinema Night (F2 –Y6)

**Friday:**

## Time 2 Chat

For this weeks time to talk we would like you to have a go at the activity below with your child. Work with your child to make finger puppets out of paper.



Your paper puppets can be any character you like, such as some fairy-tale characters or even family members. Try practising dialogue between the characters in different scenarios, such as "You stole my toy..." or "I'm going on holiday to..." If your child gets stuck give them prompts such as "What is your character doing?" or "describe who your character is in this story?"



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School Holidays
  Public Holidays
  Administration Day

**Autumn Term**  
 2 September - 18 October **7 weeks**  
 4 November - 20 December **7 weeks**

**Spring Term**  
 6 January - 14 February **6 weeks**  
 24 February - 4 April **6 weeks**

**Summer Term**  
 22 April - 23 May **4 weeks 3 days**  
 2 June - 29 July **8 weeks 2 days**