

HOLGATE PRIMARY & NURSERY NEWSLETTER

Autumn 1 Week 2



Can I start by saying a huge welcome back to all of our Holgate families and a hello to those families joining us this term. It has been a wonderful start back to the new school year and the children have been excitedly discovering what their new Curriculum Vehicles are all about. We have had a fantastic couple of weeks so far and would like to share some of the fun that we have been having with you as the term continues. Miss Arnold

A huge welcome to our new F2 children

They have all settled in really well and are beginning to learn the rules and routines of our classroom. We have spent our first week getting to know each other and exploring the different areas within our classroom and our outdoor area. We have had a great time. In our second week we started our first vehicle – Superheroes! We have been busy making our own spiders webs, labelling pictures of superheroes' costumes, painting pictures of superheroes and lots more fun Superhero activities. We have been set a challenge – we need to discover where all the Superheroes have disappeared to, there are none left in the Superhero headquarters! Who will help people now? We will be keeping a close eye out for any clues as to their whereabouts.

If you see anything be sure to let F2 know. Mrs. Vowles and the F2 Team :)

<u>Curriculum Vehicle Launches</u>: A Curriculum Vehicle is the theme or idea which drives our learning. These give you useful information linked to the work taking place in each class - their vehicle. You will see the areas they will be covering, useful books to read and share with your child, key vocabulary and a few ideas of websites to visit. Click on the link

 $\underline{https://www.holgateprimary.org/page/?title=curriculum \& pid=32} to view further information on the Holgate Primary website .$

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On Friday 6th September Kerstine from Lion Learners came in with a s election of animals for our year 1 children to see and handle. This was linked

to our current vehicle Fur, Feathers and Scales. The children were able to ask questions such as where do they live in the wild?, what food do they eat?, can you train them?, how long do they live for? All of the animals she brought in live with her and are her pets so they were very friendly and love being held. The children (and staff!) held rabbits, guinea pigs, a tortoise, a duprisi, a bearded dragon (he was very small!) and some of them were brave enough to stroke a corn snake, hold a tarantula and some land snails. They also saw a quail and salamander. We all learnt that you couldn't hold a salamander as they absorb water from our skin and the chemicals on our skin would make the salamander poorly! All the children were really well behaved and remembered lots of facts about the pets including all their names! It was a fantastic session where we were able to find out so much about familiar and not so familiar animals.









Thank you to those parents who came along to our "Meet the Teacher" events. It was lovely to see so many parents and carers in school with their children finding out about each year group. We look forward to welcoming you in for more events over the school year.

Start of the school day

Can we please remind parents that children are not supervised on the playground until 8.40 am when staff go outside. Until this time, children remain the responsibility of their parents.

If your child walks to school on their own please discourage them from arriving too early as they will be unsupervised.

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F2 had their first visit of the year to Forest Schools on Wednesday. We had great fun exploring all the different areas. We climbed trees, built slides and cars, we looked for minibeasts under logs, picked fruit and generally had a fantastic morning. Later in the afternoon we all got the chance to try the blackberries and plums - they were delicious! We are really looking forward to our visit next week.











PTA—Holgate Heroes

Welcome Tea Party is being held on 26th September 2.45pm—3.30 pm in the small hall.

Everyone Welcome!

Please come along and learn about our PTA. Free Tea & Cakes for all that attend.



Holgate Family Allotment Event



Saturday 21st September 9.00 am -10.00 am

Call out for any parents/carers wanting to be on roll as a supply Midday Supervisor in case we are ever short staffed. If you are interested please give your details to the office.

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HOLGATE PRIMARY & NURSERY DIARY DATES

Tuesday 17th September	Year 4 Cineworld Trip
Wednesday 18th September	Year 1 Parents Craft Session
Friday 20th September	Year 1 Community Champions—Group of children visiting
	Jubilee Court
Saturday 21st September	Holgate Family Allotment Event—9.00 am—10.00 am
Tuesday 24th September	Y1 Parents Phonics Session—9.00 am
Thursday 26th September	EYFS Parents Phonics Session—3.10 pm
Thursday 26th September	Holgate Heroes—Welcome Tea Party—2.30 pm—3.30 pm
Friday 27th September	Year 3 Sleepover at school
	4.30 pm—10.00 Saturday—more details to follow
Monday 30th September	Year 2 Circus Workshop in school
Friday 4th October	MacMillan Coffee Morning—more details to follow
Thursday 10th October	EYFS Open Event for prospective F2/Reception starters 2020—4.00 pm
Friday 11th October	Year 5 & 6 Bike ability Level 1—10.00 am—12.15 pm
	Year 5 & 6 Bike ability Level 2 Lesson 1—13.10 am—15.10 pm
Monday 14th October	Year 5 & 6 Bike ability Level 2 Lesson 2—10.15 am—12.15 pm
	Year 5 & 6 Bike ability Level 2 Lesson 3—13.10 am—15.10 pm
Monday 14th October	Y2 Circus Performance to parents 1.30 pm
Thursday 17th October	Y1 Pet Show to Parents 2.00 pm—3.00 pm
Friday 18th October	F2 Superhero Day—parents invited from 2.30 pm—more
	details to follow

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