

HOLGATE HEADLINES

Spring 1 Week 1



It's good to see all the children back at school after the Christmas break and ready for the Spring Term. Can we say a big WELCOME to our new families that have joined us this term and the new nursery children and families that have started this week.

Muddled by Minecraft? Rattled by Roblox?

NSPCC and 02 are coming in to school to run free online safety training!

Wednesday 16th January, 2pm Holgate Primary School Speak to the school office for details

NSPCC and O2 are running hour-long interactive workshops with tips, tools and advice on how to keep your child safe online. Talking about online safety with your child does not need to be difficult –build your confidence to have those important conversations and learn where to go for help and advice.

Dodgeball

This half term, Mr Newbold and Mr Smith will be running a dodgeball club after school for our boys and girls in Year 3 and Year 4. The club started on Wednesday 9th January and will be running until the 13th of February from 3:15pm – 4:15pm. Please encourage your child to attend if he/she secures a place.

Start of the school day

Can we please remind parents that children are not supervised on the playground until 8.40pm 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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Thank you!

395 children have attended school every day so far this half term, achieving 100% attendance.

Good attendance at school is linked to academic success, we are therefore asking for all parents/carers to support in ensuring that pupils achieve the highest possible attendance. You can do this by bringing your child to school **EVERY DAY** unless your child is *too ill* to attend.

Our whole School Attendance is currently **96.42%**. Our school target is 97% attendance, as this is what the government set schools to achieve, so please help us get there! Remember, each day there are two registers, each one counts towards your child's attendance, if appointments must be taken during school time, please ensure these are around registration times so that your child's attendance is not compromised, and don't forget to bring your appointment card to the office!



Christingle

On the last day of Autumn Term, all key stage I and key stage 2 had planned to take part in a Christingle Service at St Mary's Church in Hucknall.

Unfortunately, the weather meant we couldn't walk down to the Church, but it still went ahead in school instead. Each child had made and learnt about the Christingle before the service and we lit some of these as part of it. Malcolm taught us all about the Christmas story and birth of Jesus and we also sang some Christmas carols to celebrate such a special time of year.



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WHAT'S ON AT HOLGATE?

Important Dates for your Diary this half term. More details to follow soon...

16th January	O2 & NSPCC Online Safety Workshop for Parents
17th January	KS1 & KS2 Reading & Writing Morning
21st January	Year 6 SATS Parents Meeting
24th January	KS1 & KS2 Reading & Writing Morning

Competition Time

Every two weeks, the Writing Champions will post a picture to inspire writing and the picture could be of anything!

We're looking for any child and every child to have a go at writing something linked to this picture. It could be a story, a character description, an advert, a set of instructions etc. When your child has completed the entry post it in the letterbox.

Once the competition has finished, our Writing Champions will award stickers to all those that have entered the writing competition. At the end of each fortnightly competition, we'll have a 'Lucky Dip' to choose a person who has shown themselves to be a Champion of Writing! That super writer will have their writing published here on our school newsletter for all to see.

Reading and Writing Mornings

Don't forget to join us at our Reading and Writing mornings, thankyou for those who have already visited us.

Wednesdays —for F1 (nursery) - before school in class

Thursdays —for Keys Stage 1 and 2, before school in the main hall

Fridays —for F2 (Reception), before school in class

