

Newsletter

Summer 1 Week 4

Week beginning – 10/05/2021



Important messages for this week:



I would just like to say a BIG thank you for all your support over the past 12 months. You may remember the PTFA decided that we would fund raise towards improving our Playground Facilities, as this would benefit all children in our school. Due to covid-19 this was put on hold. However, I am pleased to inform you that we have now had plans drawn up to improve the main playground area and the work will be taking place during the Summer holidays!

Here is a sneak preview of the proposed playground markings.

Huge thank you to everyone involved in working with us to choose the activities and design the layout of these markings.



We would now love to be able to improve the terrace area (around the back of school) which most children access during the school day and the Key Stage 1 children use at break times, but we need to raise more money!

Becki Barnett Chair of PTFA

Mentions: This week's theme is linked to Responsibility and is for someone who takes responsibility for their own learning.

- Nursery:** Scarlett P, Myla S & Ava H
- Reception:** Axel O, Brooke W, Lucy B & Ruby C
- Year 1:** Freddie S, Darcie-Rae R, Jack L & Shakita B
- Year 2:** Charlotte N, Miley C, Kylan-Jai H & Chantelle D
- Year 3:** Abigail O, Alexa S, Kaydan H & Travis G
- Year 4:** Lillie-Mae B, Ben S, Evan S & Kieran F
- Year 5:** Georgia F, Mason H, Robyn S & Harvey D
- Year 6:** Logan S, Sienna W, Harry S & Faith S

Attendance:

Whole School attendance:

96.6%

Winning Classes:

4GS 99.29%
F2RV 98%

Time 2 Chat:

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If you can't see the wind, how do you know it is real?

Do you have to see something to know that it is real?



Sign of the week:

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how to do	
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eQ5Xaxe_WHQ	
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=blw9_OyrH6E	

The Feel Good Family Factor:

Today marks the end of Mental Health Week 2021. Nature has been the theme this year. Why? Mental Health Uk say :

During long months of the pandemic, millions of us turned to nature. Our [research on the mental health impacts of the pandemic](#) showed going for walks outside was one of our top coping strategies and 45% of us reported being in green spaces had been vital for our mental health. Websites which showed footage from webcams of wildlife saw hits increase by over 2000%. Wider studies also found that during lockdowns, people not only spent more time in nature but were noticing it more.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdDioDtkis> follow this link to watch a video showing the benefits nature has on our mental health.

The children have been discussing how being outside makes them feel better. Find some time this weekend to discover your outdoors, even if it's just being in the garden. Look at the blossom on the trees, find flowers starting to grow, listen to the birds, watch the clouds.

This Week's Golden Table Children

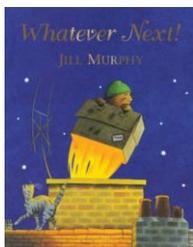
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1 B G	Blake C	5 C S	Sarah T
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Reading News:

As a school we are continuing to work hard on reading and ensuring that your children leave us with a love of reading. Here are some recommended reads for this week, complete with links to some of our school teachers reading the story. You will be able to access these stories with your child's Teams login. Enjoy!

Whatever Next read by Mrs Bardgett



[Watch 'Whatever Next by Jill Murphy' | Microsoft Stream](#)

Do Not Lick This Book read by Mrs Clarke



[Watch '21.01.28 Do Not Lick This Book' | Microsoft Stream](#)

Look out for:

Can you help us? Our next PTFA meeting will be held on Thursday 27th May @ 3.30pm. If

any of you have ANY fundraising ideas we would love you to come along and share them with us.

Keeping in line with Covid 19 guidelines we will have the meeting outside and numbers will be limited to 30 places. If you would like to come along to the meeting please register your interest with our school office – either by email or filling in the form that will be in reception, by Friday 21st May.



Thank you again for your ongoing support and I hope to meet some of you at our next meeting.

Term Dates:

Please see below for the Nottinghamshire County Council School holiday dates for 2020/21.

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Class Emails:

Nursery (Mr Smith)	HPF1@holgateprimary.org
F2RV (Mrs Vowles)	F2RV@holgateprimary.org
F2PD (Mrs Payne/Mrs Dixon)	F2PD@holgateprimary.org
1HO (Mrs O'Kane)	1HO@holgateprimary.org
1BG (Mrs Barnes/Mrs Grimwade)	1BG@holgateprimary.org
2GF (Mrs Fitzpatrick)	2GF@holgateprimary.org
2JB (Mrs Bardgett)	2JB@holgateprimary.org
3KW (Mrs Wilson)	3KW@holgateprimary.org
3LN (Mr Newbold)	3LN@holgateprimary.org
4NW (Mrs Wilkinson)	4NW@holgateprimary.org
4GS (Mr Smith)	4GS@holgateprimary.org
5DG (Mr Gleave)	5DG@holgateprimary.org
5CS (Mr Staincliffe)	5CS@holgateprimary.org
6ED (Miss Davies)	6ED@holgateprimary.org
6IR (Miss Roe)	6IR@holgateprimary.org

Upcoming Events:

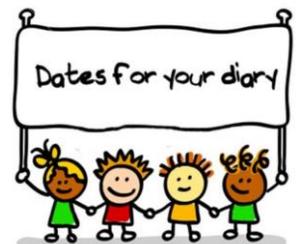
After-school clubs running at present:

Monday - Year 3 Tennis

Wednesday - Year 4 Football & Year 2 Dough Club

Thursday - Year 1 Multisport

Friday - Year 2 Football



EYFS

This week in **Nursery** as part of our vehicle we have carried on our camping theme and looked at making a campfire. This was a great opportunity to teach the children about fire safety at forest school and the importance of following the rules when sitting around our fire circle. The children learned how to ask to enter the fire circle walking around and sitting down and then turning away from the fire when leaving. We learnt some new words including tinder and kindle which we used to make the fire. We showed the children the flint and how it made a spark to start the fire. This is all working towards us cooking on the campfire in a few weeks.



In **EYFS** we have continued looking into the different holiday choices for Wicket the dog...this week we have been looking at holidays abroad. We talked about needing passports and we made our own, writing about ourselves. We spent time looking at airports and what it would be like to travel on a plane and we had a visit from Mrs Kelly to tell us all about her previous job as a Flight Attendant. The children really enjoyed learning about what a Flight Attendant would do, they had lots of questions! Mrs Kelly showed all the children how to do the safety demonstration that would show where the exits are. All the children enjoyed having a visitor.



KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

Today **1HO** have been using different parts of their bodies to travel along the hall and equipment. They had to move with control and safety. This including, running, crawling, walking backwards and weaving through cones.



The children in **Y2** have been learning all about the problems that pollution causes in the oceans. Jessica, Charlotte and Jack decided they wanted to spread the word around Hucknall and produced some brilliant posters to highlight the need to Reuse, Recycle and Reduce. Their posters have been put up in the Co-op and Sainsburys supermarkets.



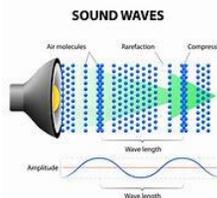
Poppy also took this on board and went home and shared it with her parents. Poppy's Dad sent her letter to Mark Sherwood, our local MP, who has written a reply to Poppy! Her letter has also been passed on to Boris Johnson! We are very proud of Poppy and all the children in Year 2 who have been really motivated and inspired by this vehicle. They are really keen to make a difference by reducing, re-using and recycling.

KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

Year 3 have been working really hard on their French skills this week. Learning all about different fruits in French and how to pronounce them correctly. They have been chatting with their friends about which fruits they like and dislike. In music, the children have been learning all about musical notation and are beginning to learn where the different notes sit on a staff and how this affects the pitch of music.



This week **year 4** have been working hard writing their own spooky stories, based on the recent Goosebumps, class read. We certainly have some good imaginations and the teachers best not read some just before bedtime.



We have also been finishing off our vehicle on sound, recording our on VLOGS explaining all about how sound works, we all really enjoyed this activity



KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

Year 5 In English, the children have been reading the book 'Epic Adventure' by the author Tom Gates over the last three weeks. They completed their work by writing their own 'Epic Adventures'. The children have wild imaginations - playing tag in Ikea, being chased by snakes at the zoo, camping adventures and getting stuck on a roller coaster. I think you will agree that we have some very impressive authors. Well done to Kellan, Jacie, Ethan and Harry D.



Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this week looking at shape. We know what perpendicular and parallel lines are. Did you know that some shapes have both types of lines? Also, we have been continuing our work on plastics and how we can help reduce plastic usage. We know why it is potentially harmful and we're building up to some persuasive writing!

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2020-21



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