



Newsletter

Autumn 2 Week 2

Week beginning – 08/11/2021



Important messages for this week:

Monster Phonics Launch Day: 16th November

We are really looking forward to launching Monster Phonics in EYFS and KS1 next Tuesday! Children will dress up as characters or in a colour linked to one of the monsters, and parents will be able to join in with an online session at 7pm. We are excited to share the photos with you after the day, we're sure it will be lots of fun!



Children in Need – Friday 19th November

A quick reminder that children will be welcome to come to school for the day wearing their Pudsey/Blush ears, Pudsey/Blush clothing or as a spotty design. Donations of £1 can be made via ParentMail and these will be sent to Children in Need.

Mentions:

Nursery: Isaac C, Lennie S, Olivia C

Reception: Callum C, Darcie D, Gracie J, Donte W

Year 1: ALL

Year 2: Harley-Jack H, Sonny F, Noah W, Ollie D

Year 3: Faizah-Lee T, Taylor-Grace P, Kawthar A, Lucy C

Year 4: Lexie C, Willow J, Erin C, Olivia-Rose W

Year 5: Lillie-Mae B, Karam S, Danica A, James P

Year 6: Bella C, Rio P, Kellan J, Tyler A

Attendance:

Whole School attendance: 92.76%

Winning Classes: 4GS 98.46%

Time 2 Chat:

This week, we have had The Royal British Legion come in and take Remembrance assemblies.

Please can you talk to your child about the assembly.



What can they remember about the assembly?

What did they learn?

Why do we celebrate/remember?

Why do we hold two minutes silence?





What do poppies represent?

What is special about this year's Remembrance services?

What Remembrance traditions can they talk about?

Can they talk about any additional information they have learnt about in class?

Sign of the week:

Makaton Sign	Makaton Symbol
 poppy	
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 remember	
Poppy - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rm_GyDO7PXQ Remember https://www.facebook.com/TheMakatonCharity/videos/to-remember-makaton-sign-of-the-week/240015903522766/	

The Feel Good Family Factor:

12 Ways to Build Resilient Learners

www.thepathway2success.com

Practice coping strategies when calm

Practice gratitude to gain some perspective

Teach and model flexible thinking skills

Learn and grow from failures together

Develop SMART goals and work on them

Reframe struggles as opportunities to grow

Teach and practice positive self-talk

Use confidence-building strategies

Check-in with emotions on a regular basis

Teach and encourage self-compassion

Encourage kids to solve problems on their own

Give puzzles, brainteasers, and challenges

Clipart by Kate Hadfield, Sarah Pecorino, & Teachers Resource Force

Why is resilience important?

Unfortunately, life can be hard. We all face moments in our life which we find difficult. If your child is prepared they will hopefully come out of it stronger. Playing games and doing activities that build resilience better prepares them for when those moments arise.

Follow this link for 9 activities you can do with your children.
<https://bouncebackparenting.com/resilience-activities/>

Remembrance at Holgate Primary

Over the last week, the children have been working hard to collect bottles to create their Remembrance artwork. We used the bottom of the bottles to create beautiful flower shapes, which we then painted red to resemble a poppy. These are now displayed in our Remembrance Garden for everyone to see. Yesterday, we had the pleasure of inviting Major Michael Howard into school from the British Legion, who told us about Remembrance and why wearing a poppy is so important. The children listened incredibly well and were very interested.



This Week's Golden Table Children



Year 3	Millie R Avayah-Rose E	Miley C Oscar McC
Year 4	Bella P Oliver L	Ewan L Georgie D
Year 5	Ishan G Harrison A	Max McC Lewis H
Year 6	Alice Rose S Chloe B	Brooke W Evie C

Mindset Lunchtime Club – Year 6

Mindset is back! We aim for a calm session, where children can relax and chat. This week, we started the session with a relaxation technique, which involved tightening and relaxing our arm muscles, whilst seated. Then children were given a paper plate and a massive squirt of shaving foam to experiment with – they absolutely loved it!



Term Dates:

Please see below for the Nottinghamshire County Council School holiday dates for 2021/22.

- Last day in school for children 15/10/2021
- October Half Term 18/10/2021-29/10/2021
- Children back in school Monday the 1st of November.
- Last day in school for children 17/12/2021
- Christmas Holidays 20/12/2021-03/01/2022

Inset Days

- Monday 22nd November 2021
- Monday 25th July 2022
- Tuesday 26th July 2022
- Wednesday 27th July 2022

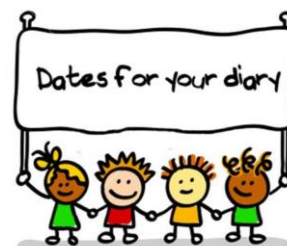
Class Emails:

Nursery (Mr Smith)	HPF1@holgateprimary.org
F2BD (Mrs Bennett/Mrs Dixon)	hedgehogs@holgateprimary.org
F2TP (Mrs Payne)	foxes@holgateprimary.org
1HO (Mrs O’Kane)	1HO@holgateprimary.org
1BG (Mrs Barnes/Mrs Grimwade)	1BG@holgateprimary.org
2EB (Miss Baker)	2EB@holgateprimary.org
2RV (Mrs Vowles)	2RV@holgateprimary.org
3JB (Mrs Bardgett)	3JB@holgateprimary.org
3NW (Mrs Wilkinson)	3NW@holgateprimary.org
4GS (Mr Smith)	4GS@holgateprimary.org
4DG (Mr Gleave)	4DG@holgateprimary.org
5ED (Miss Davies)	5ED@holgateprimary.org
5IR (Miss Roe)	5IR@holgateprimary.org
6AW (Mrs Woodhead)	6AW@holgateprimary.org
6AR (Mr Rathe)	6AR@holgateprimary.org

Upcoming Events:

After school clubs

- Monday – Creative Mindfulness, Football, This Girl Can (multisport)
- Tuesday – Mindset (lunchtime)
- Wednesday - Dough Club
- Thursday – Dodgeball, Glee Club



EYFS



Nursery have been helping us to develop our Forest School area. We have been working on building a new home for frogs. We found a very big frog today which the children were very interested in. We talked about being brave to try and hold the frog to help him out of the hole it was in. The children have talked about what they need to develop a new habitat for them.

This week, **F2** have continued to get stuck into their learning focused on what life would have been like as a knight! We have learnt about what a knight is, been to knight school, and also we changed the story of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' to 'We're Going on a Dragon Hunt'. The children have very much enjoyed getting involved and it has made for some wonderful play opportunities. We also talked about why people wear poppies and we added a poppy field to our small world castle role play area.



KS1 (Years 1 and 2)

Year 1 went out for Muddy Monday this week. Well done to everyone who remembered wellies and waterproofs!

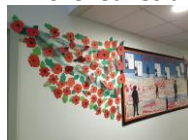
For our first session, we did some



scavenger hunts so we could explore the new Forest School area. We used our phonics to read the words and then find



them, and we also did one where we had to count different items. We also helped collect some more leaves and sticks for the bug hotel.



Year 2 have been busy creating a Remembrance Day display in the corridor outside our classrooms. We used a blue paint wash, red paint and green & black felt tips to make the poppies. We also did some writing about Remembrance Day symbols. We made poppy collages using tissue paper and glue. In our English lesson, we read and followed instructions on how to make a poppy using coloured card. These were also added to our display. We hope you enjoy looking at it.

KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

Year 3 started their new music unit this week: Glockenspiels, which centres around the beginnings of reading music. We had to listen carefully to the 'beat' of the music and tap it out. We had to stay in 'time' with the beat. This is the tempo, not going too fast OR too slow. We had to take turns and listen carefully for when we started and finished our section. The children's focus and concentration was AMAZING! Maybe you could listen to some music with your child and practise keeping in time with the beat.



Year 4 have had a fantastic week starting lots of new units of work. In English, we have started to study 'The Firework Maker's Daughter' text. We have been exploring the different characters within the text in preparation to write our own novel study. In Science, we conducted an experiment about how different drinks can affect our teeth. We placed 4 eggs in cups filled with water, coffee, Coca-Cola and orange juice and will monitor the effects these drinks have on the shell over time.

KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

This week, **Year 5** have started to read a story called Rose Blanche, which is based in World War Two. We are learning lots of new grammatical skills in order to write our own first person narrative. In Maths, we have been exploring what a factor is and using our times table knowledge to support with this. In our Vehicle, we have had a visit from Dennis Tully, who is the CEO at Emmanuel House. Dennis spoke to us about the causes of homelessness, the realities of homelessness and how the public can support. The children asked some fantastic questions and the staff were super proud of them.

It has been a busy week again in **Year 6**. The children have been completing assessments, which has been a bit of a challenge for some children, but we are incredibly proud of how well they have done. Seeing some past SATs papers has really helped the children understand them a bit more. To let off steam, we've had some brilliant PE lessons this week too. Gymnastics with Mrs Bond on Monday was great and the children really enjoyed using the equipment. There was also some great football skills on show in Thursday's outdoor PE with Mr Rathe.

Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2021-22



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School Holidays
 Public Holidays
 Administration Day*

Autumn Term

Schools Open - morning Tuesday 31 August 2021
 Half Term - Monday 18 October 2021 - Friday 29 October 2021
 Schools close - evening Friday 17 December 2021

Spring Term

Schools Open - morning Tuesday 4 January 2022
 Half Term - Monday 14 February 2022 - Friday 18 February 2022
 Spring Break - Monday 4 April 2022 - Monday 18 April 2022

Summer Term

Schools Open - morning Tuesday 19 April 2022
 Half Term - Monday 30 May 2022 - Friday 3 June 2022
 Late Spring Bank Holiday - Thursday 2 June 2022
 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday - Friday 3 June 2022
 Schools Close - evening Wednesday 27 July 2022

*Nottinghamshire County Council suggests that the first day of the new school year in September is taken as an administration day/teacher training day. Please note this may vary as schools are responsible for setting these days.

Spring Term

Schools Open - morning Monday 4 January 2021
 Half Term - Monday 15 February 2021 - Friday 19 February 2021
 Spring Break - Friday 2 April - Friday 16 April 2021