

# Newsletter

Autumn 2 Week 6

Week beginning – 06/12/2021



## Important messages for this week:

### F2 Royal Banquet Day – 13<sup>th</sup> December

We are really looking forward to our Royal Banquet Day in F2 – don't forget to dress for the occasion!



### Year 1 Christmas Craft & Singing – 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> December

Do come and join us for a festive craft and singing session from 2-3pm on Tuesday & Wednesday. Let us know you're coming via Parentmail; a maximum of 2 tickets are available per family. We can't wait to see you – it's set to be a lovely afternoon!



### Christmas Party Days

**Monday** – Y1

**Wednesday** – Y3

**Thursday** – F1, F2, Y6

**Friday** – Y2, Y4, Y5



## Mentions:

**Nursery:** Finley S, Ajay B, Emma D

**Reception:** Isabella D, Myla S-S, Soraya C, Sebastian P

**Year 1:** Axel O, Millie J, Layla S, Alanna E

**Year 2:** all Year 2 children

**Year 3:** Avayah E, Gracie C, Lexi F-M, Freddie J

**Year 4:** Oliver L, Abigail O, Olivia W, Tania C

**Year 5:** all of 5ED, Ra'mel A, Chloe R

**Year 6:** Georgia F, Robyn S, Alice C, Leo B

## Attendance:

**Whole School attendance:** 92.77%

**Winning 2EB – 97.73%**  
**Classes:** 6AW – 98.21%

## Time 2 Chat:

Would you rather Santa came down the chimney or through the door?



## Sign of the week:

Father Christmas	
Makaton Sign	Makaton Symbol
Reindeer	
Makaton Sign	Makaton Symbol
<p>Father Christmas <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A2FKuDZgM-U">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A2FKuDZgM-U</a></p> <p>Reindeer <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sd0WiykMcTY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sd0WiykMcTY</a></p>	

### The Feel Good Family Factor:

Being active is one of the 5 steps to wellbeing. It can be difficult to keep being active during these cold, wet, darker days.

However, there are plenty of online resources, including this active advent calendar which some of our children have enjoyed taking part in. Join up for free and warm-up and get those feel-good feelings buzzing through you before work and school. 🦋♂️🦋♀️

<https://imoves.com/active-advent-calendar-2021>

### Elf Day 2021

Thank you so much for supporting Elf Day. It was fabulous to see the children dressed up in their elf costumes and they all had a great day taking part in festive activities. Through donations and purchases of raffle tickets, we are delighted to have raised **£252 for the Alzheimer's Society**. Thank you!



### Sports Hero of the Week



This week, we would like to celebrate the achievements of Kadeena Cox. Kadeena is a Paralympian and a TV presenter. More recently, she has appeared on ITV's 'I'm a Celebrity' highlighting her own battles with dealing with MS. This illness causes her to have fatigue in her legs and arms and she can sometimes be confined to a wheelchair to get around. Through all of these challenges, she has still managed to compete and win two gold medals at the Tokyo Olympics in the Mixed 750m Team Sprint C1-C5. Many people suffer with illness each day that prevents them from enjoying the things we can take for granted. Kadeena is an inspiration to many people. Please see the video of her achievements: <https://bit.ly/3ylpqOw>

We hope you've been enjoying **KS2's Advent countdown!** Every school day in December 2021, different KS2 year groups and classes have made a video to share to help spread Christmas Cheer. We have so many lovely videos that have already been filmed and shared.



Click here to be taken to the playlist showing all the videos that have been posted already - <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKt1I8BP07QMLxerVOCUvgIMJqFZlp7jE> We've got loads more coming up including: poetry, songs, Christmas messages and more! Every video will also be posted on our Facebook page too.

## **This Week's Golden Table Children**



<b>Nursery F2</b>	Teddie J Jacob B, Layla P	Isabella P, James H
<b>Year 1 Year 2</b>	Mollie J, Joel C Ruby W, Freddie S	Brooke W, Jude B Shakita B, Xander E
<b>Year 3 Year 4</b>	Christopher A, Kylan H Lila C, Kye D	Sarayah W, Karson M Rose-Marie H, Ruby G
<b>Year 5 Year 6</b>	Harrison A, Kieran F Lexie B, Bella C	Jayden S-C, Noah B Oliver W, Jacob M

### Mindset Club

We have had fun decorating biscuits this week. Lots of sticky fingers, sweets and blobs of icing sugar. The children iced two biscuits in different colours and enjoyed the sweet toppings. We thought about where we would like to be transported to, if we could choose, to eat them. There were many suggestions: the seaside, on a picnic at the park but most said home! The children also thought about who they'd like to share their biscuits with. I was expecting them to say popstars, footballers, TV personalities or best friends but they all chose their mums or siblings. What lovely suggestions.



### Term Dates:

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

- Last day in school for children 17/12/2021
- Christmas Holidays 20/12/2021-03/01/2022
- Children back at school Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022
- Half term 14/02/2022 – 18/02/2022

### Inset Days

- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022

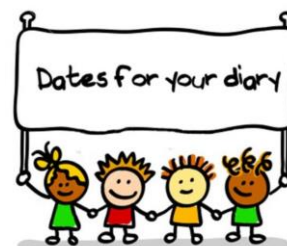
### Class Emails:

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

### Upcoming Events:

### After school clubs

- **Monday** – Creative Mindfulness, Football, This Girl Can (multisport)
- **Tuesday** – Mindset (lunchtime)
- **Wednesday** - Dough Club
- **Thursday** – Dodgeball, Glee Club
- **Friday** – Y2 Multisport



Primary and Nursery School



## EYFS

This week in **Nursery** we have been thinking about how we can act around our friends following on from being the type of King/Queen they would like to be. The children have been working together to take turns and share the nursery equipment as well as be patient while

waiting for the game to be set up. We have been building children's resilience when they lose a race using the remote control cars and a homemade race track. Children have been guided to work on giving positive comments while they are playing.

**F2** have had a very busy week getting Christmassy! We had a lovely time on Tuesday when we were able to invite parents and carers into school to come and see our brilliant Christmas singing and we then did lots of Christmas craft activities. Everyone got to take home something they had made and the room was filled with smiles...and lots of glitter! We have been learning about the Nativity story and we have drawn pictures from the story. We can't wait for next week when we have our Royal Party AND our Christmas party!



## KS1 (Years 1 and 2)



For the last couple of weeks, the **Year 2** children have been working really hard on learning songs and lines for their Christmas concert. I think you will agree they have ALL been little superstars! A huge thank-you to all the parents who attended and to all the parents who worked hard with their children on learning lines.

## KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

This week in **Year 3**, we have been practicing our News Bulletin to share all the skills and knowledge we have learnt in our vehicle 'Battle of the Mines'.

We have had to recap on the history of the coal mining strike both in Hucknall and throughout the UK. Using video clips and newspaper articles, pupils reflected on how it would feel from the miners, the mum's and the children's perspectives.

We were so impressed with their recall of the historical facts and their empathy towards different family situations.

Watch out for the polished version of their News Bulletin – Coming soon...

**Year 4** have had another exciting week in the build up to Christmas. We have enjoyed preparing and filming our advent videos and really enjoyed eating our Christmas biscuits! In reading, we have started to look at some Agony Aunt letters in preparation to write our own Agony Aunt style letter next week. In Maths, we have been looking at statistics and even collected and presented our own data. From this data we learnt that 4GS's favourite pet is a dog and 4DG's favourite subject in school is PE.

## KS2 (Years 5 and 6)



For their Vehicle, **Year 5** have been learning about the homeless and the work of charities such as Emmanuel House and the Salvation Army. We discovered that these charities provide hot meals for people so we decided to prepare some leek and potato soup that could be shared.

For our cooking skills, we had to independently follow a recipe, working safely and hygienically to prepare our vegetables ready for boiling. Yum!



**Year 6** have had another busy week. There has been all sorts happening – to keep us busy! Some children were lucky enough to help plant some new fruit trees in the forest schools area; we've been busy making clay tiles for our Christmas craft; in English we have produced some brilliant non-chronological reports on moths and in Maths we've been talking about fractions, decimals and percentages and how they can be equivalent to each other. We've even managed to fit in a few Christmas activities and Christmas songs to keep us feeling festive 😊

## Nottinghamshire School Holidays 2021-22



September 2021 to July 2022

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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