

Library Visits This Week

On 10th February, **Y1** and **3NW** will be walking to the library; Y1 will be going in the morning and 3NW will be going in the afternoon. If your child has a library card, they are welcome to bring this on the day to withdraw books. Please see Parent Mail for details about how to apply for a library card if children do not have one.



School Dinners

A polite reminder to please ensure that all school dinners are ordered and paid for in advance via ParentMail. If you need any support with this, please see the Office Team. Thank you.

Mentions:

Nursery: Olivia Mae, Amelia W, Ajay B

Reception: Amelia W, Jacob B, all of F2BD

Year 1: Layla S, Lucy B, Jude B, Kylan M, Ada E, Harper SP

Year 2: Issak B, Daniel H, Harvey M, Milli D

Year 3: Charlotte H, Josh M, James L, Oliver C

Year 4: Riley B, Hollie Y, Travis G, Reian B

Year 5: Charlie B, Lillie-Mae B, Keaton J, Zachary P

Year 6: Isabella C, Katelynn-Jo W, Zachary N, Lacie J

Attendance:

Whole School attendance: 95.85%

Winning Classes: 2RV – 99.55%
4GS – 99.25%

Time 2 Chat:

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Being an adult is better than being a child.

Being a child is better than being an adult.

Give reason for each argument.



Sign of the week:

Chinese New Year



tiger



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iT8V4tZk7Ng>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P_QDFZly74

The Feel Good Family Factor:

Welcome to February, and lighter nights and mornings. What a difference this makes to how we feel 😊 We have shared this lovely app with staff and thought it would be great to share with our families - it's easily adaptable for children too. Ask your child to keep a look out around school for weekly 'Acts of Kindness'; below are some examples for next week.

<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/app>

- 7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others
- 8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust
- 9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you
- 10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them

Mindset- Year 6

This week we had a 'blast from the past' and had a fabulous time printing with potatoes. The Year Sixes were incredibly excited as they said that they remembered having lovely times in Nursery with vegetable printing. Within a very short time, the group room was covered in potato chunks and there was much giggling. The results were really colourful and much enjoyed. Some of them planned to help their younger siblings with the activity in half term, so grown ups beware of flying potato peelings! (Mrs Smart)



This Week's Golden Table Children



F2	F2TP – Gracie J & Theo B	F2BD – Grace L & Milan MP
Year 1	1HO – Belle H & Mollie J	1BG – Reef M & Brooke W
Year 2	2RV – Sophie E & Darcie-Rae R	2EB – Charlie B & Xander E

Stuck for ideas of what to do in half term? Please see our website or Facebook page for details of various free activities happening in the local area.



<https://www.holgateprimary.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/HolgatePrimaryandNursery/>

Term Dates:

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

- Half term 14/02/2022 – 18/02/2022
- Easter Holidays 04/04/2022 – 18/04/2022
- May Bank Holiday – 02/05/2022
- Half term – 30/05/2022 – 03/05/2022

Inset Days

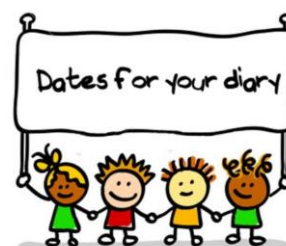
- Monday 25th July 2022
- Tuesday 26th July 2022
- Wednesday 27th July 2022

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

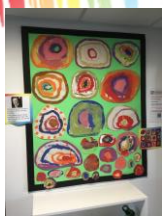
After school clubs

- **Monday:** KS2 Dance/Zumba, Y5/6 Football
- **Tuesday:** Y1 – Y4 Dough Club
- **Thursday:** Glee Club
- **Friday:** KS1 Football



EYFS

This week in **EYFS**, we have been continuing with our focus on different weather conditions...this week has been all about wind! We read a lovely story about a windy day called 'Shark in the Park' which we all really enjoyed and we had great fun in Forest Schools when we made our own wind wands using a stick, piece of string and a balloon. We fastened them all together and then we raced around the outside area seeing if the wind could hold up our balloons! We had a great time and we used our experiences to write a simple set of instructions so that other people would know how to make a wind wand of their own. We added to our lovely displays in our setting by putting up our wonderful rainbow paintings and our circle rainbow paintings in the style of the famous artist, Kandinsky. We have also been investigating what colours we can make by only having three prime colours in our painting area...red, yellow and blue. Ask your children to tell you what they have found out when they mix two colours together.



KS1 (Years 1 and 2)



Y1 had a brilliant time on Muddy Monday. We did measuring with rulers, and then a phonics scavenger hunt.



This week, **Y2** made a snake using the plastic from your houses.... As you can see it is HUGE! We decided that we use too much plastic, and we need to take action as a lot of it ends up in our oceans. **Y2** have decided to make a pledge (a promise) together in school to reduce the amount of plastic waste. **We would like you at home to do the same.** You should have received a leaflet explaining the task along with a slip for your pledge. Please bring your family pledge by the **10th February 2022**. When you return your family pledge to school, you will be entered into our prize draw to **win a £20 Tesco voucher**. The winner will be announced on the **11th February 2022**.

KS2 (Years 3 and 4)

Year 3 have worked hard on their persuasive letters to Duncan this week as part of our English unit "The Day the Crayons Quit". They have used commands: "Stop running. Pick up your pencil, Help me, persuasive language: "You really do need to help us. But you must listen to our feelings" and rhetorical questions: Don't you know I'm so tired? Can't you see I'm never used? Aren't you going to help us? How do you think that makes us feel? We are so pleased you have thought carefully about how to include these new skills in your writing.



This week, in **Year 4**, we have been completing some shape work in Maths. We have located and compared different types of angles and have also been looking for lines of symmetry within shapes. In our vehicle sessions, we have started to make our electronic board games. We've begun to make the playing board and built electric circuits we think will be effective inside our games.

KS2 (Years 5 and 6)

This week, **Year 5** have made a 3D Amazon Rainforest, which was very exciting but incredibly messy! The children could label all of the layers of the rainforest and know which animals belong in which layer. In English, we have produced a newspaper article about Philippe Petit, who walked between the Twin Towers in 1974. The outcomes are fantastic - well done 5IR and 5ED! Also this week, 5IR went swimming in the deep end of the swimming pool and 5ED had great fun playing dodgeball 😊 After half term, 5ED will be going swimming.

Year 6 have been busy again this week. On Monday, in true Year 6 style, we had a great time because we got to spend the whole morning talking about poo! We were visited by Severn Trent Water who told us all about what we can and cannot put down the drain. It was really interesting to hear how some of the products that we sometimes think are OK to flush can actually cause a lot of damage to our drainage systems. We did a very messy activity where we had to try and separate out all the different things to get back to clean, drinkable water. It wasn't easy at all and some of us got VERY messy!



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