

Holbrook News

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Block 2, Week 10

From the Head Teacher

What a difference a week has made to the weather forecast! Thank you everyone for your patience and understanding with the snow closure last Friday. I hope you were able to enjoy some fun in the snow with your children!

This week in school we have focused on Safer Internet Day. The children took part in a Safer Internet Day assembly on Tuesday and have all had time in classrooms to explore in more depth how to stay safe online. We live in a scary time with advances being made all the time in the online world and things changing almost daily! As parents we need to make sure we have the tools, conversations and questions to help our children stay safe. Please come along to the NSPCC Online Safety workshop on Monday from 2-3pm.

Thank you to all of the parents who have managed to come along to the open afternoons so far and learn alongside their children; it has been lovely to chat with lots of you and to see all the fun you have been having together.

Vicki Liddell

Future TD Days

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| • 25th Feb 2019 | • 3rd June 2019 |
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Update from Mrs Nunn

Thank you to all the wonderful Holbrook parents who are parking safely outside of the school. We have noticed improvements in safety for pupils at the beginning and end of the day.

Unfortunately there are still a minority of drivers who are parking illegally and/or dangerously. Please could I ask again for everyone to be mindful of the law and child safety when dropping children off and collecting them after school.

Miss Liddell and I will continue to monitor parking on a daily basis and are liaising closely with our PCSO and Wiltshire Council to further improve safety for your children.

Many Thanks

Rose Nunn

Dates for Your Diary

Thur 7 th	Somerville Parent's Open Afternoon, 1.45pm
Fri 8 th	Zephaniah Parent's Open Afternoon, 1.35pm
Fri 8 th	Brunel class trip to Devizes Museum
Mon 11 th	Internet Safety session, 2pm
Mon 11 th to Fri 15 th	Wake Up Shake Up on KS2 playground, 8.55am (weather permitting)
Tue 5 th & Thu 7 th March	Parent's Evenings
Thu 7 th March	World Book Day
Thu 14 th March	KS2 Dance Festival, Civic Centre, 6pm

Flute Lessons

Due to the rearranged Year 5 Open Afternoon this **Friday (8th)**, the **amended timetable** for flute and recorder lessons will run, affecting those pupils having lessons between 1-1:30pm and 2-2.30pm. Next week, due to the Year 4 trip to Danywenallt, lessons will be taught on **Tuesday 12th February** at the usual times.

Year 4 residential to Danywenallt

For the attention of parents / carers of Y4 pupils:

- The children need to be at school at normal time on Wednesday 13th February as the coach will be leaving for Danywenallt at 9.30am so please feel free to stay and wave us off!
- Suitcases can be left in the classroom any time after 8.30am.
- Children should come to school in their own clothes, NOT in school uniform.
- Please make sure your child brings a packed lunch for Wednesday. This needs to be in a carrier bag or something else that can be recycled, not a lunchbox.
- Disposable cameras are permitted.

Parent's Evenings

Bookings could be made from the 15th Feb (due to the half term break) for both dates.

- 5th March – bookings close at 9:00 1st March
- 7th March – bookings close at 9:00 5th March

Parents can book appointments online, by telephone, or in person at the School Office up to the closing date for each evening.

Cardboard Boxes – small

We are still looking for shoe boxes that have a removable lid for a whole school project. If you have any please bring them in to either Mrs White or Miss Blake.

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

To celebrate World Book Day children may come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book but they need to bring a copy of the book in with them.

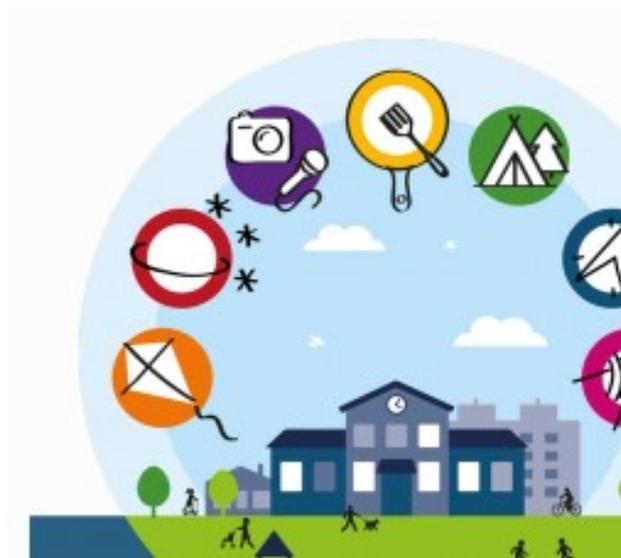
How Safe are the sites, apps and games your child uses?

Does your child browse the internet for homework?

Do they play games through their consoles such as Fortnite and Minecraft or watch others play online games via YouTube ?

Do they use Musical.ly, Tik Tok, Snapchat, Instagram ?

Then come along for a cup of tea or coffee on **Monday 11th February at 2pm** and whilst munching your biscuits listen to a free, informative session, run by the NSPCC to support you and your family with up to date guidance on how to protect your child with parental controls, privacy settings and much more whilst they are online.



My Activity Passport

The 'My Activity Passport' list is part of the Education Secretary's vision for every child to have the opportunity to enjoy new and varied experiences, no matter their background - comprising of key areas: drive and tenacity; sticking at the task at hand; understanding how to work towards long term goals when reward might be a long way off in the future; and being able to pick yourself up and bounce back from life's challenges.

Primary school children will be challenged to go on a nature trail, visit a local landmark or make a treasure map through a new 'passport' of activities launched by the Education Secretary to encourage more family time and help build children's character and resilience.

Endorsed by organisations including the Scouts, Girlguiding and the National Trust – as well as children's charity Action for Children - the list of activities is intended to support parents and schools in introducing children to a wide variety of experiences and fulfilling activities like flying a kite, learning something new about the local area or putting on a performance.

Every week in the newsletter we will give you a suggested activity for EYFS/KS1 and KS2

EYFS/KS1 - Post a letter

KS2 – Learn to sew on a button

Please share with your teacher if you have tried one of the activities, we'd love to hear all about it.

PTA News

School Disco, Friday 8th February £2

Tickets on sale NOW from the school office.



We're really thrilled that DJ Andy from Actz Entertainment has again kindly donated his time to give us the best disco! The children loved having him last time and we can't wait to see them all on the dance floor again!



Actz.co.uk

A Reminder:

Chocolate Bingo



We need your donations of chocolate eggs and treats to be used as prizes for Chocolate Bingo. Your generosity is always greatly appreciated, and donations can be left at the office by Monday.

Feathered February

Half Term Activities

with Trowbridge Museum



Trowbridge Museum

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