



Newsletter

May 2018

Open Morning

Thank you to everyone who spread the word of our Open Morning. It was very successful and we look forward to meeting all the new parents in the future. We are very proud of the Y5's who confidently escorted visitors around the school and who were very articulate.

Swimming

With this lovely weather, the children have really been enjoying the swimming pool. Thank you to all supporters both in and out of the pool. If anyone has a spare hour and can assist us, please let the office know. Mrs. Rundle is also looking for help to run 2 after school swimming clubs, one of which will be for the community. These will be on a Tuesday and Thursday – can you help?

Star Wars

Star Wars day was on May 4th, where children came to school dressed as their favourite character. Darth Rundle gathered the recruits before handing them over for a day of training with her able deputies: Jedi Master White and Princess Mitchell Leia. The theme was chosen to reflect the curriculum theme of outer space and the planets, and with PE from Jedi warriors, a mathematical battle plan conundrum, battleship coordinates, character creations and other imaginative ideas, the children really engaged with the topic.



What fantastic costumes everyone tuned up in

Parent Governor

There is still a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Anyone interested please email Clerk@holbeton.devon.sch.uk

SATs

Well done Year 6s for all their sustained hard work and concentration over SATs week. Thank you to everyone for all the support they received this meant that the most stressful decision they had to make was whether to have a croissant, bacon butty or crumpet for breakfast. It was lovely to hear one pupil remark that Thursday "was the best day in school EVER!"



Royal Wedding Lunch

The bunting, balloons and special place mats were lovingly laid out. Everyone came with a crown of their own creation as mums, dad, grandmas, grandpas, brothers and sisters were all invited to join in our lunch time celebrations. The weather was so kind that we were able to transform our playground into a right royal feasting area. And another surprise for the children....the staff all came dressed in their royal wedding finest with plenty of cloaks, crowns, and wedding dresses in abundance. To finish off the meal, each child took home a wedding favour to open during the real royal wedding. Thank you everyone for making this such a happy occasion. Please see more pictures on the website.



Eco Warriors

At Holbeton we strive to embrace outdoor learning experiences for our children. We are currently developing our curriculum to ensure that children have regular access to learning in the environment in addition to Forest and Beach School. Last Thursday was 'Outdoor Learning and Play day'. As a school that prides itself on outdoor opportunities for our children, we jumped at the chance to be involved! The children worked together in 3 groups to explore giant bubble making, play games from around the world and create journey

sticks with natural objects from around our beautiful school grounds. The children worked together brilliantly and were a real credit to us. Check out our facebook page to see some photos from the day.

We are also signed up to take part in. The Wildlife Trusts '30 days wild' programme for June. This is a challenge where pupils are encouraged to do something wild every single day. This can be anything that lets them enjoy, help or learn about nature. We have been sent 30 Random Acts of Wildness cards to look at everyday in June. To get you started, below are the first few before we return to School on Monday 5th June:-

1st June- Feel the Wild between your toes- squelch your toes in grass, sand or mud.

2nd June- Look up at the clouds- what shapes can you see?

3rd June- Find a creepy crawly- Be gentle. Get close and watch the way it moves.

4th June- Thread a daisy chain- Pick daisies and thread the stems together.

How long can you make it?

Upcoming Events:



Hope to see you there!



Reminder Choir

Please see letter regarding 'The Watermark' concert practices on our web site under the Key Information tab, and 'Letters'. We really want to shine at the performance so your support in getting the children to these combined practises is much appreciated. Thank you.

100 Club

The winners of the first draw of the 2018-19 100 Club are:

1st - 16 - Jean Betts = £25.00

2nd - 47 - Jim Pengelly = £5.00

There are still some numbers available, £9.00 to join for the rest of year. Forms are in the school office.

Keeping our children safe:

Did you know that research carried out by the NSPCC and O2 has revealed that 1 in 4 young people have been contacted over social media by an adult they didn't know. A third of which were children under 13! Online safety is such a big issue for our children today. Luckily help is at hand.

Please click on web address below for some great online safety tips.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Recruiting our Key Stage 2 teacher

The recruitment process continues as more options come our way. Of course we will inform you as soon as decisions and legal recruitment checks have been carried out. We will go above and beyond to make sure we have the right choice for our unique and special school.

Half term

Enjoy your half term break everyone and see you all on Monday 4th June

Dates for your Diary

Please note that for Beach Schools and Forest Schools, FKS1 will go in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon. For Beach Day (16th July), the whole school will go for the whole day

Summer Term 2018	
4 th June	Forest School
9 th June	Holbifest 12noon – 10pm
11 th June	Beach School
12 th June	ICC Open Morning for Y5 Multi Skills 3/4
13 th June	Open the Book
14 th June	Performance practise all KS2 at Stowford
18 th June	Forest School
19 th June	New Foundation visit Brickfields KS2
25 th June	Beach School
26 th June	Kwik Cricket Y5/6 Filham New Parents information evening
27 th June	New Foundation visits
28 th June	Performance practise all KS2 at Stowford
2 nd July	All day rehearsal for KS2 – Watermark
4 th July	Watermark Evening Performance
5 th July	New Foundation visit
6 th July	Sports Day
7 th July	Summer Fair TBC
9 th July	Forest School
10 th July	Y6 ICC Transition Day
11 th July	Open the book Dress Rehearsal KS2 Governors Meeting
12 th July	KS2 Performance
13 th July	Reserve Sports Day KS2 Performance
16 th July	Beach Day (all day)
20 th July	End of Term Assembly Leavers Ceremony Last Day of Term

