

# Newsletter



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13<sup>th</sup> May 2022

# Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

#### A message from Mrs. Denham

# Queen's Jubilee Celebrations - Wednesday 25th May.

We are holding a celebration on May 25<sup>th</sup> for the Queen's Jubilee in the afternoon from 2.15pm. On this day children may dress-up as a King or Queen or dress in red, white and blue or dress in anything to do with the Royal Family. All parents are very welcome to join us.

For the Jubilee celebrations we would like to decorate the school and thought some of you might be able to help by lending us any Union Flags you may have or any red, white and blue bunting. If you are able to help these items can be dropped into the school office.

The PTA are very kindly going to organise some refreshments at the end of the day. They are also asking all children to be sponsored to learn to sing the National Anthem which we will sing during the celebrations.

The children have also asked if we could have a crown making competition for each class. Therefore, we ask children and parents if they would like to make a crown at home using any materials and medium they would like. If a family would like their child to do this in school instead, please let us know. The crowns are to be brought into school on Wednesday May 25<sup>th</sup> and will be judged during the celebrations.

#### Y6 SAT's

We would like to wish all our Y6 super star pupils all the very best for their SAT's next week. They have been amazing and we know Mrs Hammond and her team have prepared them so well. They are a wonderful group of children and have most definitely let their light shine.

#### **Stunning Start**

Robin class will be having their Stunning Start next Friday 13th May, we are looking at Monarch's in our History topic, comparing the times of Queen Victoria (Victorians) to our times with Queen Elizabeth II. We will be researching Victorian life and the changes they brought, especially focusing on the plants they introduced into our gardens from across the world. For the stunning start we will be dressing up as a Monarch either a Queen or King or an explorer discovering new plants.

Breakfast & After-school club (Spaces available).

The cost for Breakfast club is £4.50 per child - can drop off from 8am. After School Club starts - pick-up 4.15pm (£4.50) or 5.15pm (£9.00).

If you are going to be late collecting or if you need to collect at an alternative time, please can you phone to school by the end of the school day (3.15pm).

After 3.15pm, or in an emergency **only** please email <u>myka.scott@ventrus.org.uk</u> (Wed & Thurs) or <u>lily.derges@ventrus.org.uk</u> (Mon, Tues & Fri mornings) <u>beatrice.hutchinson@ventrus.or.uk</u> (Mon, Tues & Fri afterschool).

ParentPay

Thank you to those of you who paid any outstanding debts for School Meals, Breakfast and After School Clubs by the 25<sup>th</sup> April. If you forgot and or didn't get round to it can you please pay these debts as soon as possible.

The following trips are now available or will be available shortly for payment and consent to be made:

#### School Meals - £2.30 per day

Breakfast & ASC -

# Robins class - Gymnastics which starts on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

Please remember to pay the correct funds into the correct account item, and for the correct child in your family

#### **Ventrus Job Vacancies**

 $https://ventrus.current-vacancies.com/v?id=VENTRUSMUL\&t=Ventrus-Careers\\ Including vacancies at local schools.$ 

#### Free School Meals

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please go to the <u>Citizen Portal</u> which is the guickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

#### **Privacy Notices**

# Important information

Ventrus main privacy notice can be found at <a href="https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/">https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/</a> and the privacy notice for pupils can be viewed <a href="https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf">https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf</a>

#### SEND training for parents and carers

https://www.devon.gov.uk/eycs/send-training-for-parents-and-carers

#### Diaru Dates:

Mau 10<sup>th</sup> (Tuesdau) – Robins class Gumnastics also on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May. Please remember to collect your child from Falcon's Gymnastics at 3pm.

May 19<sup>th</sup> (Thursday) – Year 1's Multi Skills at Park Community School – further details will be sent out soon.

Mau 25<sup>th</sup> (Wednesdau) - Celebration for the Queens Jubilee - further details to follow.

**June 23<sup>rd</sup>** (Thursdau) – **Sports Dau** at Holuwell – further details will be circulated nearer the time.

June 27<sup>th</sup> (Monday) – Year 5's Cricket Festival – further details will be circulated nearer the time.

**July 1**st (Friday) - Torrington Aguathlon - open to any children in years 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Julu 8<sup>th</sup> (Friday) - Holywell 200 years' celebration.

**July 15**<sup>th</sup> (Friday) – Year 6's **Athletics** at Park Community School – further details will be circulated nearer the time.

<u>End of Spring term – last day Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022.</u> <u>First day of the Summer term Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022.</u>

### News from the PTA



**Thank you** for supporting the plant sale this week. A very special thanks to the trustees and few loyal volunteers who contributed to the meeting on Tuesday. We agreed to fund a new mud kitchen for Robins class. Involvement with the PTA really does influence how we can enrich the children's experience of

school, so please join us next time. Due to all our responsibilities, we need more volunteers to help celebrate Holywell's Bicentenary in style!

#### Bag2School collection 9th May

Please donate unwanted clothes and accessories in resell-able condition inside a plastic bag outside school by **9am.** 

# Sponsored Sing of the National Anthem

Have you started learning the National Anthem? We hope you get involved in our challenge! This is our first fundraiser that qualifies for Gift Aid since we registered, so if you or any other sponsors are eligible, please make sure you tick the box and complete the details requested.