Newsletter





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29th April 2022

Holywell is a NO NUT Zone.

A message from Mrs. Denham

We hope you had a wonderful Easter break. Wasn't the weather beautiful? Welcome to the summer term and welcome to Miss Boundy, teacher in Hedgehogs, Mr. Steve Coles our new caretaker who has replaced Mr. Anderson and Miss Cayment who is a new TA. We are so pleased to welcome them to the Holywell community.

We have a very busy term ahead with lots of sporting events, trips and visitors – we are so looking forward to it all. How nice it is to be getting back to pre COVID normality.

Today we welcomed Mrs Gomar, chair of the PTA to join us in celebration assembly. She shared a PowerPoint presentation with the children about all the amazing work the PTA do for the school and its pupils. We are so grateful to her and all the PTA for their much needed work. If you would like to join the PTA, please see the flyer sent home today. The PTA desperately need your support.

Reminder - COVID 19 – Attendance

The Government have now issued the following guidance for schools from the 1st April 2021.

- children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend
- adults with the sumptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

SCHOOL NEWS

<u>Edukids</u>

Many thanks to those who contributed to The Walk to The Moon Challenge. £137 in sponsorship was collected and a collective 1050 miles were travelled. Therefore, including the proceeds from the cinema night we can donate a fantastic £ 212 to Edukid which will help support Morish. If you have any fundraising ideas for this term, please contact Mrs Hathway



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)

🗐 ParentPay

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

Also, any outstanding money for the Skern Lodge Residential is also now overdue so if this applies to you can you please make sure that these are paid 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 26th 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 quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in an instant decision.

Privacy Notices

Important information

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

SEND training for parents and carers

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

Diaru Dates:

Mau 3rd (Tuesdau) – Robins class Gumnastics also on the 10th, 17th and 24th May. Please remember to collect uour child from Falcon's Gumnastics at 3pm.

Mau 19th (Thursdau) – Year 1's Multi Skills at Park Community School – further details will be sent out soon. Mau 25th (Thursdau) - Celebration for the Queens Jubilee.

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

June 27th (Mondau) – Year 5's Cricket Festival – further details will be circulated nearer the time.

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

<u>Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May – back to school Tuesday 3rd May.</u> <u>Half Term starts on Friday 27th May until Friday 3rd June, (inclusive).</u> <u>Last day of the Summer Term Friday 22nd July. 2022</u> <u>First day of the Autumn Term Monday 5th September, 2022</u>

<u>News from the PTA</u>



Welcome to the summer term! We are working with the school to mark the bicentenary, but we really need more help to organise the celebration that this remarkable milestone deserves. **Please** attend the online meeting on Tuesday or get in touch to see how you can help!

Meeting Tuesday evening 7:30

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/78488735959?pwd=jnOxcqYqoFE01qFbdsep-Z4duGjJ3V.1

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Meeting ID: 784 8873 5959 Passcode: TxxG8t

Sponsored Sing of the National Anthem

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we would like to challenge the children to learn to sing the National Anthem. Please see the letter and sponsorship form attached. 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.

Plant sale 6th May

Please donate your plants outside the school gate in the morning, they will be for sale in the afternoon. There will also be an ice-lolly sale weather permitting!

Bag2School collection 9th May

Please donate unwanted clothes and accessories in resealable condition inside a plastic bag outside school by 9am.