

Hollesley Primary School

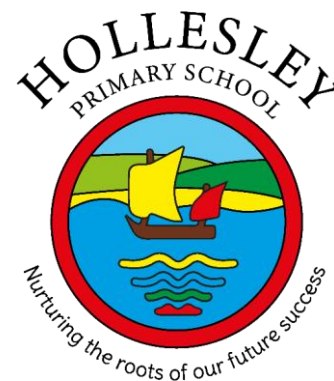
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Monday 21st November 2022

Dear Parents

OFSTED REPORT

You will find the OFSTED report, following the recent inspection, attached. Whilst some may be disappointed that Hollesley Primary School has been downgraded to Requires Improvement, the inspector saw many wonderful things!

She saw that our children behave exceptionally, they are respectful and adults know the children very well. She also commented on the enjoyment children have in coming to school and that they feel safe and they are happy.

Our Writing results at the end of Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 were poor this Summer and in order to address this we brought in a new scheme for teaching writing: The Write Stuff. This is in its infancy and, although she saw we are addressing the issue, there was not enough evidence to demonstrate the impact and the difference this scheme is making to the children's writing. Please encourage your children, with us, as we raise the standard of writing throughout the school. Celebrate any story they may write at home, or any list or note they leave for you. With Christmas coming: writing lists, letters and Christmas cards is a perfect, purposeful way to encourage and to enjoy their writing.

The other action points are in relation to Special Needs children having tailored, differentiated work within lessons and the appropriate level of subject leadership. You will also read that the actions raised in the July 2021 report have been achieved and that the leadership, along with EYFS, behaviour and personal development is good.

Thank you, as always for your continued support of both your children and my staff.

COATS & FOOTWEAR

Please make sure that your child always has a suitable coat and alternative footwear with them now that we are experiencing weather that is a bit more wet 'n' wild than what we have been used to lately. The children will not be allowed to play on the grass unless they have suitable footwear on i.e. wellies or trainers (not plimsolls).

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Traditional Christmas lunch with the trimmings followed by dessert will be served to the children on Wednesday 14th December 2022. A vegan alternative of breaded Fillet will be available and also a gluten free version if required.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Christmas Jumper day will also take place on Wednesday 14th December.

FRIENDS' FESTIVE FUN

Following the Christmas Church Service on Wednesday 14th Dec in the afternoon, Friends will be hosting a 'Friends Festive Fun' afternoon at school. This will include raffles, games, refreshments, and festive fun for all the family (children will need supervision at this event). There will be a dress down day on Friday 25th November, in exchange for a donation towards this event. This may include children's raffle prizes, tombola items, sweets etc. There will be a large box at school on this day for children to drop in their donations.

Father Christmas will be appearing at this event, in our wildlife area, which will be transformed into a mini winter wonderland! Tickets will be available until 7th Dec, and will include access to the 'secrets room' (children only while parents have cake and coffee) and to Santa's Grotto for an amazing gift. Tickets are priced at £5. Please send monies into school in a clearly labelled envelope. Tickets and time slots will be issued on Friday 9th December.

Thank you in advance, on behalf of all the Friends.

NEW WOLSEY THEATRE TRIP – ICE CREAM and COACH

The Friends of Hollesley are buying each child a ticket to attend the pantomime at the Wolsey on Thursday, 15th December. More details about times will be shared nearer the date. In the meantime, we ask that parents contribute towards the cost of the transport, which will be £7:45. Please pay via ParentMail.

There will also be an option to purchase an Ice Cream tub whilst we are at the Theatre. The cost of this is £3 and will also be available on ParentMail.

MRS WOOD DAYS AT HOLLESLEY

I intend to be at Hollesley Mondays and Thursdays and alternating Wednesdays. As always, please email me or call either school, on any day to speak to me. Waldringfield's number is 01473 736276.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Sarah Wood (Headteacher)

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HOLLESLEY SUPERSTARS

Head Teacher's Work Related Awards

Seals: Martha – Trying hard with tricky words, practising at home and school. **Arjun**-Super reading, becoming more confident and great blending.

Dolphins: Amelia F – Brilliant and imaginative ideas in English. **Ronnie** – For using his initiative in history and making sure his work is neat.

Turtles: Joshua PE – For presentation and handwriting in all subjects. **Flynn** amazing addition using the column method – up to 6 digit numbers

Otters: Jacob – His excellent work on long division and for following each step carefully. **Freya** for some excellent sentence stacking in English. Well done for using exciting synonyms.

Head Teacher's 'R' Words Awards

Seals: Jack- Resourcefulness – learning in a different way and exploring new sensory glue. **Eden – Resilience** For having such a fabulous week at school.

Dolphins: Isla – Responsibility – For trying so hard with her presentation all week! **Millie – Resilience** and **Readiness** for having a great week and settling well in to Dolphins.

Turtles: Daniel C – Great **Readiness** and attitude in

class. **Huw: Resilience** – In the dictionary there is a picture of 'Huw' to show the meaning!

Otters: Jamie – Responsibility – Working hard all week on her long division and even asking to take extra work home. **Frederic** – for being **Responsible** for his learning and challenging himself with extra fractions in Maths.

Gold Awards

Dougie – For being so kind to his friends during lesson time and being enthusiastic.

Martha, Kira-Rose, Rosa, Henry, Arjun and Travis for being super in Nativity practice and joining in with all songs and actions!

Smilte for learning her lines well in the play

Simmi – For joining in so well with the songs for our performance.

U9's Girls Football team. Played 8, Won 4, Lost 2 and drew 2. Amazing enthusiasm, playing with a Positive Mental Attitude and generally being superb ambassadors for Hollesley Primary School.

Bruno – For being responsible and holding the door open for the Otters before fixing the doorstep back in. Thank you Bruno.

Elliot – For always being interested in others. A very polite young man.

Martha – For noticing others and giving such positive comments.

Theo Ja – For listening carefully to instructions to help improve his handwriting.

STAR Reader: Amelia F, Smilte

TTRockstars:

Ashton, Anya, Oliver J, Courtney, Logan, Kaylan, Ricky, Evan G, Annabella, Lulu, Jennifer, Thomas, Amelia W, Mason, Righteous, Flynn, Daniel, Huw, Amelia L, Bailey, Olivia

Diary Dates

Wed 23rd Nov	Open Day for new intake in Sept 2023 Drop in between 9:30 – 11am or 1:30 – 3pm
Fri 25th Nov	Dress Down Day Non-school uniform in exchange for a small gift towards PTA Christmas fair (toiletries, sweets, toys etc)
Fri 2nd Dec	Flu Vaccinations (mop-up)
Fri 9th Dec	Nativity Performance (afternoon) – Seals & Dolphins
Wed 14th Dec	Christmas Dinner in School Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 14th Dec	Christmas Service at the Church 1:45pm
Wed 14th Dec	Friends' Festive Fun
Thurs 15th Dec afternoon	Whole School Trip to Wolsey Pantomime late return to school
Fri 16th Dec	Last Day of Term
Tues 3rd Jan 2023	PD Day children not in school
Weds 4th Jan	First Day of Term