

# **Hollywood Primary School Newsletter**

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"Working together, realizing potential."

# "A Rights Respecting School"

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#### **HEADTEACHER COMMENT**

We have had another busy week at Hollywood, with a number of visitors to the school. They were all very complementary about how the school is moving forward. On Tuesday the focus was on Maths and the visitor was very enthusiastic about our approach to Maths Mastery, saying that it was a credit to the school. She praised the hard work of the staff over the past few years and the consistency and progression from each year group to the next. I must thank Mrs Elvins for her leadership in this area. On Wednesday we had a group of SEND Co-ordinators come to the school and again they were very complementary.

Our Talk 4 Writing consultant was equally delighted with the progress we are making with English when she visited on Wednesday. Lastly we welcomed the parents of Year 2 to the INSPIRE type workshop on Thursday and hopefully they found it both informative and useful when helping our children progress.

ATTENDANCE (W.B 18.11.19) (REMEMBER ABSENCE LINE: 675 4525)

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
OTTERS	94	3 BROWN	95.86
DEER	91.43	3 TWILLEY	95.67
R HENRY	94.39	4 PROTTEY	100
R FRANKLIN	92.45	4 KELLY	98.52
1 DAVIS	94.29	5 HAYWARD	98.97
1 SOUTHERN/GREY	95.47	5 THOMAS	90.34
2 BACON	89.29	6 GIBBONS	96.33
2 MONEY	97.67	6 HEALY/ROSE	93.67
Whole School	95.13%		

Well done to 2M and 4P, who were worthy winners of the "Panda" for last week. This year we hope to get closer to 97% and I am sure we can reach that target, despite our recent slump.

# **CHRISTMAS AT HOLLYWOOD**

# **FESTIVE JUMPER DAY**

Children are invited to wear their festive jumpers on Friday 13th December in support of Acorns Children's Hospice. We will be asking for a donation of £1 per jumper worn and all the monies raised will be used to support local children and their families. We are hoping to raise £450 to support this very worthy cause.

# **BIRMINGHAM CITY MISSION TOY APPEAL**

For the past three years we have been participating in the Birmingham City Mission Toy-link Appeal which provides Christmas gifts to vulnerable children within the Birmingham area. All gifts are generously donated by members of the public who want to help a child or young person at this special time of year. As part of our Christmas charitable events we would like to invite each family to take part in the Toy-link appeal by donating a small gift suitable for a child or young person.

This year we are working in partnership with Immanuel Church and Hollywood Pre-School who will also been donating gifts. A representative from BCM will visit the school to collect the toys therefore, if you wish to donate a gift they should be sent into school before Monday 9th December. BCM ask that all the gifts donated are new and unwrapped so they can be easily allocated by age and gender.

A letter has been sent out today with more details and suggestions for gifts. Thank you from Mrs Keegan.

#### **KS1 NATIVITY**

Nativity dates are overleaf, this year we will be charging 50p per ticket (payable on Parentpay) which will go towards new costumes, scenery, etc, for our performances. Parents should have received a letter by now, if not spare copies are available from the school office.

# **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

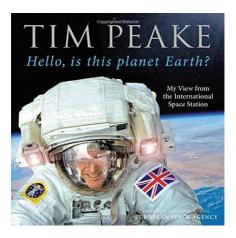
Mr O'Rourke has had some good quality second hand uniform donated by ex families of our school. If you are struggling and would like to see what is available please speak to him.

## **DONATIONS REQUIRED PLEASE**

If anyone has any plastic bread or milk crates that they no longer need we would love to take them off your hands. The children love using them for building and make believe. Thank you to anyone who has already helped us in the past, *Mr O'Rourke*.

#### **READING**

We are enjoying our DEER time at Hollywood. DEER means 'Drop Everything, Everybody Read.' This is a timetabled slot that takes place every day. This week, my book of the week was a non-fiction book based on a collection of photographs taken by Tim Peake when he was aboard the International Space Station. It is National Non-Fiction November. Over the weekend, please share a non-fiction book with your child to find out something new together. Happy reading! Mrs Pritchard.





# THE SUN FREE BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN

Calling all Sun readers, we need your help to collect 3,500 tokens printed daily in The Sun between Saturday 23rd November 2019 and Saturday 18th January 2020. The pack of books contains a total of 105 fantastic Collins Big Cat Books for all year groups. Could you please send any tokens to Mrs Haddock in the Library – Happy Collecting.

### CHRISTMAS BEDTIME STORIES @ WYTHALL LIBRARY

On Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December between 3.45pm and 4.30pm there will be a Christmas storytime session. You can listen to wonderful Christmas tales and receive a present from a very special guest! For children aged 1 year and above. There is a cost of £2 per child, tickets are limited. Booking is essential, please see library staff to book.

#### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December Monday 9th December

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December Friday 13th December

Wednesday 18th December Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 20th December Monday 6th January 2020

Tuesday 7th January 2020

- Christmas dinner

- Reports go out to Parents

- Nativity (Reception, years 1 & 2) 9.30am - NO SIBLINGS ALLOWED

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- FOH Christmas Fayre - pick children up from 2.30pm to look around

- Children's Christmas parties

- Carol Service in church for KS2 pupils 10am & 2pm

- Break up for Christmas break

- <u>Teacher Training Day 3 - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS</u>

- Children return to school

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Getting over a painful experience is much like crossing monkey bars. You have to let go at some point in order to move forward." C.S. Lewis

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