



# HOLLY LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022

Newsletter Number 16

**TOGETHER WE CAN ACHIEVE MORE**

**Respect Effort Achieve Care Honesty**

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! We wish all our families a healthy and happy new year. I hope you all had an enjoyable Christmas. It was lovely to see the eagerness and enthusiasm of the children, as they returned to school this week.

Our REACH school value is Achievement this half term. This week our focus word for achievement is "Journey" – teaching the children that achievement is like a journey – there will be ups and downs. Making mistakes or going through tough times are part of that journey. The important thing is to keep going and learn from mistakes. The small changes and the regular practice are all steps to achieving. This is where you can help your child to cultivate those good habits. E.g. just 5 minutes of regular reading every day and 5 minutes on times table practice may not seem much but accumulates throughout the year and always leads to progress.

We are still supporting children to fill in gaps in learning as a result of Covid closures and are making use of the additional Government funding to support with small groups to give targeted extra support. Thankfully Covid numbers are very low as we return to school. We review our risk assessments regularly. The latest risk assessment and contingency plan can be found on our website. We aim for children to have a full and "normal" experience at school and only put in additional measures if we have a Covid outbreak in conjunction with the UK Health Security Agency advice. Parents will be informed if there is an outbreak in a class (not individual cases). The Government undertake any track and trace to make contact where appropriate.

For Years 1-6, please do make sure you have signed up to the report portal for autumn reports which will be available from 17<sup>th</sup> January.

We have now confirmed our final INSET date for this academic year: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Please see below for dates which will be added to as they are available.

Finally, THANK YOU to all our families who generously donated money to our sponsored Reindeer Run in aid of Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. We raised an incredible £4013.20!

Mrs Dancer, Academy Head

## Year R September 2022 Admissions

Please may we remind you that the national closing date for Reception and Junior applications for September 2022 entry is **15 January 2022**.

Applications should be made online via Surrey County Council:

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions>

Parents will be informed by Surrey Admissions of the outcome of applications on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

## Club News

Teacher clubs commence next week. We have notified parents by text message to inform you if your child has a place in their chosen club.

Start dates for external clubs may vary, so please contact the club provider directly.

Please check this section of the newsletter every week for any club cancellations. \*We will not send texts for club cancellations unless it is a last minute change\*

## \*\*Upcoming Dates\*\*

### January

17<sup>th</sup> Y1-6 Online Reports Portal opens 3.30pm (<https://parents.kite.academy/login.php>)

28<sup>th</sup> Y1-6 Online Reports Portal closes end of today

### February

14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Half Term

21<sup>st</sup> INSET DAY (School closed to pupils)

### March

1<sup>st</sup> St David's Day (pupils may wear uniforms associated with Scouting movement or similar)

17<sup>th</sup> St Patrick's Day (pupils may wear uniforms associated with Scouting movement or similar)

### April

1<sup>st</sup> Last Day of Term (school finishes 1.15pm)

4<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Easter Holidays

19<sup>th</sup> Start of Summer Term

Further dates for 2022 coming soon...

### \*INSET DAYS\*

1st September 2021

1st October 2021

21st February 2022

27<sup>th</sup> May 2022 \*NEW

22nd July 2022 (Last day of summer term for children: 21st July)

New dates added in red. Further dates will be added in due course.



**Bronze Award:** Austin Frost, Gracie Mae Upton, Molly Moyle, George Muirhead, Sebastian Nosworthy, Anabel Burgess, Arabella Wisbey, Layton Cane, Ezra Voller, Jack Vaughan, Selorm Jigge, Ruby Agnew, Todd Wallace, Charlie Muirhead, Ethan Brimacombe, Autumn Kelly, Jack Wilson, Maisie Eighteen, Sophia Cornally, Ivy-Mae Trainor, Katelyn Porter, Sybil Murray, Finley Hitchman, Max Bland, Luis Paddock, India Sneddon, George Hopwood, Aidan Thistleton, Lola Thurlow, Emily Whelligan, Joscelyn Mann, Charley Brown, Ruby Barlow



**Silver Award:** George Brade, Lily Munday, Harry Eades