



HOLLYFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

4 October 2019

NEW Harvest Festival



We would really appreciate any donations of food (packets and tins) for our harvest festival in readiness for our assembly on Monday 21 October. Anything you can spare would be greatly appreciated (please check best before dates, as we would hate to have to throw anything away!) The School Council will decide on where the items will be distributed to help those most in need. Once again, thank you for your continued generosity, support and assistance.

Leave in Term Time

As you will no doubt be aware we follow the Birmingham City Council guidelines for Leave in Term Time. This means that requests for family holidays will not be authorised. Leave in Term Time will only be granted for exceptional circumstances and family holidays do not fit this criteria. Unauthorised absences can lead to the issue of a Penalty Notice and/or a large fine. During last year September 2018 -July 2019, nine Penalty Notices were issued. In some cases this was two per family as both parents receive a fine. Two cases went before a magistrate and resulted in fines of between £300 and £850. Two further cases will appear in court shortly.

If it becomes apparent that we have been advised that a child is unwell, when they have actually been on holiday this can also lead to the same outcome.

We have a duty to safeguard pupils and if a child is absent without a reason, we are obliged to try and make contact with parents/carers and if necessary, contact the police to carry out a Safe and Well Check.



Parent's Evening

Letters have been sent home with your children to arrange an appointment with your child's class teacher at Parents' Evening on Wednesday 9 October. Please complete the slip with your preference time (at the bottom of the letter) and return this to school as soon as possible. Thank you.



A very big thank you to our PA and everyone who came to our cake sale and coffee morning last Friday to support Macmillan cancer. We managed to raise £180.00 which will be donated to this fantastic cause.



As a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, we continue to teach children about their rights.

The impact of this will be that children continue to feel:

SAFE in school;

RESPECTED by and enjoy supportive relationships with adults who care for them;

ENGAGED within their education, their local community and the global agenda.

For further information on the Award itself please follow:

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/rights-respecting-schools/>



New Reception Parents

Letters have been sent out inviting you to our coffee mornings next Wednesday 9 and Friday 11 October at 9.00 am in the Reception block. It will be lovely to see you all there to join us for a cup of tea/coffee and a biscuit or two!

Menu for next week



Fresh seasonal salad bar/bread , fruit and yoghurts and drinking water available daily; Vegetarian options daily.

**Dinner money
for the rest of this
half term is £35.25
£11.25 due on:
Monday 7 October**

Please state what
the money is for
Name, Class
Amount enclosed



Bonfire Night



We will be having a “Bonfire Night” themed school meal day on Tuesday 5 November. Please look out for letters being sent out soon to book your meal!!

Safeguarding - Tip of the Week

Two Factor Authentication (2FA) is a free security feature that prevents hackers from accessing your accounts, even if they know your password. Most of the big service providers now offer 2FA. 2FA means you cannot login to an account on a new device without entering a onetime code usually sent via email or by text. This means hackers need your password and access to your emails or text messages to access your account. This website has tutorials on how to enable 2FA on many of the common service providers.

www.telesign.com/turnon2fa/




Overall attendance this week



KS1:
1M
9.3%

**KS2:
6W
100%**

96.9%

	
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★ 6C	Whole Class
★ 6W	Whole Class
★ 5C	Macie-Mae
★ 5R	Thomas
★ 4L	Ore
★ 4BS	Daisy
★ 3D	Lucas
★ 3C	Esha
★ 2G	Mason
★ 2W	Sophie B
★ 1WN	Arlo
★ 1M	Max
★ 	Jahvonie
★ 	Zae
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We are all looking forward to seeing our year 6 children back from their Residential today - it has been quiet this week without them. I bet they will sleep well this weekend!!

Mrs C Lewis