

# Newsletter

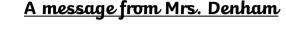


# LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

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Many other school events and news can be found on our Facebook page - click here

11<sup>th</sup> March 2022





Our wonderful School Council would like to say a huge thank you to all of our lovely Holywell community who donated much needed items to support the people of Ukraine. The items were successfully delivered to Smallridge Brothers on Saturday morning, who very kindly passed them on to Richard Easterbrook. While they require no further donations, there is a Just Giving page on Facebook where you can help fund Richard's journey to Ukraine. Check this out on FB if you're interested.

#### Many thanks to the School Council for organising this.

We appreciate there are lots of things going on in school at the moment. We have been notified about another fundraiser - on Wednesday March  $16^{th}$ , the Department for Education in partnership with the DISASTERS EMERGENCY COMMITTEE (DEC), is encouraging all schools to take part in a DAY FOR UKRAINE. Therefore, we are asking any pupil who would like to take part, to wear blue and yellow and donate £1 if they can. (We will accept £1 in cash on this occasion). If they have them, your child could wear all blue and yellow clothing or they could just show a token of the colours – it really won't matter. We all just want to show our support and help in any small way that we can.

Having the new gravel down on the driveway really has made such a difference. The carpets in school are very pleased!

It was so lovely to be able to hold last week's cinema night. The children really enjoyed watching the two films. Many thanks to our brilliant PTA and Mrs Hathway for jointly organising the event.

Many thanks to all the parents and staff who meet "virtually" this week for parent conferences. We hope you enjoyed hearing all about how your child's is getting on in school.

# Holywell is a NO NUT Zone

### School News

#### Year 5 Sports Leadership Training

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> & Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March, all Year 5 children will be taking part in Sports Leadership training with Miss Farr from Park School. They will need to come into school in their PE kit please.

#### Comic Relief UK House Group Day

On Friday 18th March, similar to last year, we will be having a creative house group day in aid of Comic Relief. The children will be taking part in a range of physical activities including a Comic Relief Mile around the field. Children may come into school dressed as their favourite sportsperson if they wish, for a £1 donation. We also have red noses available. To purchase and donate please do so on parent pay, under Red Nose Purchase and Comic Relief. Red noses will be given out on Friday, to those who have ordered them. YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO BE IN SUITABLE CLOTHES FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND WILL NEED PLENTY TO DRINK.

#### Year 3 & 4 Skern Lodge Residential Parents Meeting

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30pm, in Foxes, there will be a meeting to provide further information about the forthcoming trip and to provide an opportunity for parents to ask any questions. If you cannot attend, please do not worry, all information will be sent out electronically.

#### Sportsperson of the Week

Well done to Emily in KS2 & Samuel in KS1 for receiving this week's Sportsperson of the Week Awards. Every week Mr Day will pick a child from both KS1 & KS2 who has particularly stood out or 'let their light shine' during PE lessons. If your child receives the award, please you ensure it is returned by Friday the following week.

#### Breakfast & After-school club (Spaces available).

The cost for Breakfast club is  $\pm 4.50$  per child - can drop off from 8am. After School Club starts - pick-up 4.15pm ( $\pm 4.50$ ) or 5.15pm ( $\pm 9.00$ ).

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)

#### <u>ParentPay</u>

These trips are now available or will be available shortly for payment and consent to be made:

Purchase a Red Nose - £1.50 per nose Comic relief - Non Uniform Day - £1.00 School Meals - £2.30 per Skern Lodge - Residential - the final payment of £40.00 being due by the 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Breakfast & ASC Gymnastic Year 4 & Year 5 Walk to the Moon - donations of sponsorship money raised.

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

#### 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 <a href="https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/">https://ventrus.org.uk/our-people/privacy-notices/</a> and the privacy notice for pupils can be viewed <a href="https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf">https://ventrus.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Pupil-Privacy-Notice-2021-Final.pdf</a>

#### DIARY DATES:

**January 18<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) – to Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March (9 weeks) –** Years 4 & 5 Gymnastics (15th, 22nd March). <mark>Please collect your child from Falcons Gymnastics at 3pm.</mark>

**March 14<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> –** Year 5 Sports Leadership training at school – they will need to come into school in their PE kit please.

March 17<sup>th</sup> – Skern Lodge – Parents meeting 3:30pm.

March 18th - Comic Relief day at school - Non uniform for a donation of £1.00 on ParentPay

March 30<sup>th</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> - Skern Lodge Residential – Years 3 & 4.

**April 5th (Tuesday)** – Easter Service at Tawstock Parish Church – 9am. Please drop off at the church at (details to follow).

## News from the PTA



**Thank you** to all those who attended Tuesday's meeting and for everyone's continued support. Last week's film night raised over £160 to be split between PTA funds and the Edukid charity.

#### Funding update

We were pleased to fund a digital theatre experience for the children for World Book Day, which they can continue to access throughout the year.

We have also provided funds for the purchase of new playground equipment that the children requested through consultation led by the School Council.

#### Nearly new uniform sale – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – from 3pm

Get ready for the summer term and pick up some uniform bargains at the sale after school in the hall. We have lots of items for both KS1 and KS2.

Items with the school log  $\sigma$  -  $\pounds 2$  each or 3 items for  $\pounds 5$ 

Non branded items - £1 each or 3 items for £2

#### Easter Trail

Thursday 7th April after school. Please could we have volunteers to help with this event.

#### Year 6 Leavers' Hoodies

Thank you to all year 6 parents for your contributions towards these. The hoodies have now been ordered and will hopefully be here very soon!

#### Your School Lottery

This is a weekly draw and tickets are just £1! In addition to the cash prize, each ticket is entered into a **prize draw**. Please see attached poster for details. Tickets can be bought any time at <u>https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/holywell-church-of-england-primary-school</u> Good luck!

#### Online fundraising

When shopping online, please remember you can raise money for the school at no cost to you on: **Easyfundraising** <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofholywellschool/?invite=HP2SQV&referral-</u>

<u>campaign=c2s&utm\_source=rtwsharebox</u> **AmazonSmile** <u>https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1045040-0</u>