



Holbrook News



Year 6 Tests.

For all Primary schools, next week is the start of formal testing for Year 6 classes across the country. Tables have been split and chairs moved, new pencils bought and displays covered, all in preparation for these tests.

For teachers, as much as pupils, this can be an anxious time. We still support pupils, but it is under test conditions. We have to trust in our teaching, and all the hard work and learning that pupils have received from Holbrook Primary School over the last seven years.

My teaching staff have given pupils a chance to practise in test conditions so the experience isn't totally new for them but, the actual tests can still make children a little nervous as they want to do their best. But, the job of worrying is for me and my teaching staff, so to help pupils worry less and overcome nerves, there has been a free breakfast club for all Year 6 pupils from 8am. Being with the friends that they have made during their time at Holbrook and with the support of my staff, what can be a nervous time for them becomes less of a worry and more enjoyable like a normal week. So, please feel free, if your child is in Year 6, for them to join us for cereal and toast as well as lots of fun.

From all the BEST assemblies I have seen over the years, hearing what is said by pupils to each other in the BEST Respect awards, it is clear to me that these tests only show a small part of the person they have become since the children have started with us. Some of you have been at our school for nearly 8 years and have had lots of different teachers, made lots of friends from a huge range of family backgrounds, as well as coping with the pandemic closure and continuing learning on line, taken part in trips, activities and afterschool clubs. All of this has developed and shaped you not just as a learner, but as a whole person, making me as your Head Teacher very proud to have been a part of your learning journey.

To the Year 6s I say, 'This is your chance to shine and all the staff know that you will do just that.' I have one last word of advice, have a good weekend, rest up, enjoy the good weather and come in on Monday and remember the B in our Holbrook BEST—Believe in yourself.

Mrs Kelsall



Forthcoming Events

Monday 13th	SATS START. PE—Year 3, Year 6
Tuesday 14th	PE—Year 2, Year 4 Year 5 50 things workshops—Nursery 10:45am & 12pm
Wednesday 15th	PE—Year 1 & Year 5
Thursday 16th	PE Reception, Year 1 Year 2, & Year 4
Friday 17th	BEST Assembly—1, 3, & 5 2:20pm start. PE—Nursery AM, Nursery PM, Year 3AF, 3G Swimming 3F

PERFECT PE KIT!



LONG HAIR TIED BACK, AND EARRINGS REMOVED OR JUST A SMALL PLAIN STUD.



SENSIBLE FOOTWEAR FOR SPORT.

IF IT HAS LACES YOUR CHILD WILL NEED TO BE ABLE TO TIE THEM!

PLAIN BLACK T-SHIRT
BLACK SHORTS OR TRACKSUIT
BLACK SWEATSHIRT OR JACKET IF IT IS COLD.



READY, SET, GO!





Deaf Awareness Tennis Festival

Last Friday, four pupils who have hearing difficulties and their friend went to a Deaf Awareness Tennis Event with lots of other children in Coventry who also had hearing loss.

We had lots of fun playing games and tennis with coaches and children from other schools. We used skills we learned in school to hit balls over nets, to rebound nets and used hand paddles, even Mrs Denne joined in! There were lots of different activities for us to try helped by Coventry Ambassadors.

It was nice to meet lots of other children who also had hearing difficulties and we saw a tennis match played between a coach and a professional tennis player who is deaf!

We would like to thank Mr Connolly & Mrs Denne for taking us to the tennis event, we all had a great time.

Hadiya & Anaiya 4C

Sky Blues in the Community Football at the CBS Arena!



Yesterday, 8 pupils from Year 5 took part in a football event inside the CBS Arena organised by Sky Blues in the Community.

As the stadium is only a short walk from school we had an early lunch and walked over to the stadium. Mr Connolly quickly ran into Decathlon to sort us out some shin pads as we all needed a pair!

We played really well during the afternoon winning many matches, I even scored a hattrick! We all tried our hardest and showed our Holbrook BEST when we played. We were definitely enthusiastic!

We would like to thank Mr Craker for making the event happen and my mum for helping out on the trip. It was a great afternoon and we were so proud representing the school.

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Going Green

With the multiplication check coming up just after half term, year 4 are furiously practicing their times tables.

In school and out of school they're embracing their inner rock stars playing TT rockstars as much as possible. Recently over 50 year 4s have turned their heat maps green! With more close to achieving this very soon. Rock on Year 4