



Holbrook News

The Power of Reading!

Having been a teacher and head teacher for many years now, one thing that we know makes a huge difference to children's learning is **reading**.

Being able to read and comprehend what you are reading is useful as adults—sometimes you have to

google the answer to a question or find out how to deal with a technical issue! It also improves children's writing skills and is useful in Maths when they need to tackle word problems!

Children also learn from hearing others read, (parents and carers, not just teachers!) You can show your child how to read clearly and with expression, how the text is read from left to right and how you can put on different voices for different characters too! All of this will support their reading skills while expanding their vocabulary. Reading a story together at bedtime is a great way to end the day but also, a way of helping your child with their learning.

Your child does come home each day with a reading book and reading record. Pupils in Year 2 upwards also have Accelerated Reader so can do quizzes on their books they have read! It would be really helpful if you could spend a little time each day hearing your child read and asking them questions about what they have read—it is just as useful for the pupils in Year 6 as it is in nursery just starting out reading. Please fill in the reading record when you have heard your child read to tell us how you think your child is doing!



Mrs Bills



PE

Apart from Nursery pupils, **all pupils** should bring in their PE kits ready for PE on these days:

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| Mondays | Year 5 & 6 |
| Tuesdays | Year 2 & 5 |
| Wednesdays | Year 1 & 3 |
| Thursdays | Reception. Year 4 & 6 |
| Fridays | Year 3 (3P Swimming) Year 2 & 4 Nursery |

Reception School Places for 2025



We are rightly proud of our school. Our OFSTED rating **GOOD** with **OUTSTANDING** for Leadership and Management. If your child is in Nursery you won't want to miss out on coming to Holbrook School in September so you need to apply now or you may not be allocated your choice of school for your child.

Tinselly Tuesday 17th December

On Tuesday 17th December the school council are holding a non uniform day, instead of wearing your school sweatshirt we want everyone to dig out your Christmas jumpers, wintery dresses or snowman earrings to join in our Festive day and raise money to help buy a buddy bench for the school playground.

If you do not want to come in a Christmas jumper, you can come in a winter themed jumper, a Christmas onesie, a Christmas hat or even tinsel wrapped around you. It would be great if everyone can join in the fun and raise money.



Applications for reception places for 2025 can be made online.

http://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/113/school_admissions_-_online_applications/1

The closing date for applications is **15 January 2025**

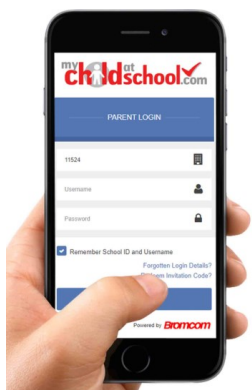
Don't leave it too late. Sign up now!

REMINDER

16th—20th December

On the last week of term, **ALL** after school clubs are cancelled,

This has been on the My Child at School APP since club sign up, please make sure you have arrangements in place to collect your children at 3:20pm





Keep our Streets Safe.

The roads around school are busy especially at the start and end of the school day.

It is important that all parents do don't part on any of the double yellow lines or zig zag lines and the junctions on Gateside Road especially at Lythalls Lane and Crown Green.

Parents are encouraged to park at the Cherry Tree carpark and walk across.

If you do notice poor parking, as well as informing the school please contact the police via 101 number or the council, as it helps give them information to build up a picture of the problem,



VISIT SANTA'S GROTTTO

Monday 16th December 2024



If you want your child to visit Santa and get a present, the deadline to pay £2.50 on your My Child at School app is by:-

Monday 9th December.

After this all bookings for this event will close so please make your payment prior to this date

Dol-y-Moch Evenings

Information has already been sent out to parents vis the My Child at School APP but make sure you save the dates!

YEAR 6

Wednesday 18th December

3:20-400pm.

Chance for parents and pupils to find out information and ask questions about their upcoming residential trip.

EYFS—Nativity.

The links to book tickets for the Nativity Performances have been sent out.

Tickets are free, but make sure you sign up so you have a seat for the performance.



Pantomime Beauty and the Beast



Wednesday 11th December Yr2 & Yr4
Thursday 12th December Yr3 & Yr6
Friday 13th December Yr1 & Yr5

Leaving 9am - Returning 1pm

The cost of the trip is £17.90 per child.
This can be paid in instalments.

Please make your payment online using My
Child At School App (MCAS)
Under Clubs- Available
by Wednesday 11th December 2024.

BEST Assembly.

What a fantastic finish to a school week hearing all about the wonderful; learning in classes and those pupils who have really shown their Holbrook BEST since the last assembly to receive this week's awards!



A huge well done to all our award winners this week. Keep showing your Holbrook BEST.

This week our certificates were awarded to:-

Aaliya

Anushka

Eshal

Reece

Agata

Araiz

Hadiya

Reveen

Aisha

Ateeq

Hassan

Ruby

Amelia

Ayesha

Karman

Salaar

Ana

Bushrah

Manesa

Zareesha

Anais

Elakiya

Miyah

Zidan