

Happy New Year and welcome back to the Spring Term!

We have had a *chilly* but *fantastic* first week in school and children continue to look really smart in their uniforms, thank you so much for your support with that.

Over the next few weeks we are looking forward to celebrating **Children's Mental Health Week**, **Number Day** and **Safer Internet Day**, which will include welcoming some special visitors into school! More details to follow.

A polite reminder once again about parking outside school. This morning was particularly dangerous, and despite many reminders, families are continuing to block the road and other vehicles. School are doing everything within our power to address this, including by talking with the police and the council. **You can help us with this by parking on Cherry Tree car park, walking to school if possible, and by reporting your complaints via this link:** [Report a parking problem – Coventry City Council](#) .

If you have a complaint that you feel requires immediate attention, you can also **call the council on this number: 024 7683 4367**

Thank you for your support, as always.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Bills

DID YOU KNOW?

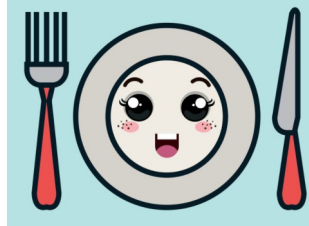
You can renew your passports at embassies and consulates in the UK, which means you do not need to travel abroad.



You can find more information here: [Embassies and consulates around the world - EmbassyPages.com](#)



School Dinners!



If your child is changing from a School Dinners to having Packed Lunches or if your child is changing from a Packed Lunches to having School Dinners, you MUST let the office know in advance.

School Dinners are currently £10.50 per week and if you are required to pay this must be paid via My Child at School APP.

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.

Applications for reception places for 2025 can be made [online](#).

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



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

PE

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

Mondays	Year 3, 5 & 6
Tuesdays	Year 2 & 5
Wednesdays	Year 1 & 6
Thursdays	Reception & Year 4
Fridays	Year 3 (3R Swimming) Year 2 & 4 Nursery



Cold Weather

A reminder that if we do have snow we will endeavour to keep the school open but if there is any need for a school closure the information will be announced on BBC Coventry and Warwickshire, Mercia FM, Heart FM and Touch Radio, we will also add an announcement to the front page of the school website, our Facebook page, Classdojo as well as an SMS message .

Please listen to the radio rather than phone the school as we need the line to be clear to talk to the radio stations and the Local Authority.

Thank you.

Reporting Absence



When reporting your child's absence on the absence voicemail or via school comms you must state your child's name, class and the reason for your child's absence. We cannot accept that they are "Unwell" as a reason.





10th January 2025



Understanding young people and their mental health

MENTAL HEALTH Matters



What is Mental Health?

Mental health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel, and act.

Importance of Mental Health

Good mental health is essential for overall well-being, enabling us to handle stress, relate to others, and make healthy choices.

Visit our website or scan the QR code to complete the survey: **END of survey 15th January 2025**

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdp9YY3ZOLNcJ6_vvVx1BjitRbfx9MPBU7R16tgPmuiBIDSzg/viewform



CAN YOU HELP US?

YOUR VOICE IS NEEDED!

Hello there! 🙋 In Coventry and Warwickshire, we are aiming to improve mental health services for young people like YOU. ✨

Your thoughts and experiences can assist us in developing services that will genuinely benefit you and your friends.

What Can You Do to Help?

We want to hear your opinions on what matters in mental health care!

We are working hard to make our services more "trauma-informed," which means recognising the best ways to support young people who may be experiencing anxiety, stress, or sadness due to difficult situations. ❤️

Your voice matters, and by working together, we can create services that benefit everyone.