



# HOLYCROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## December 2020

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

We have had an incredibly busy term at Holycroft and would like to extend a thank you to all the children and staff for their hard work during this very busy time. Thank you all for continued support this term. It has been especially difficult when so many children have been poorly and we have really appreciated it when parents have rung to let us know that their child is ill, or to ask us advice about coming to school.

***Whatever your faith, we wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January.***

*Mr Morrison Head teacher*

### **Attendance**

Our school attendance currently stands at 96%!

Well done to those of you who try really hard by coming to school every day. Whilst this term has been particularly challenging, it's important that your child attends on a regular basis. Please do not keep your child off school for minor ailments such as aches and pains.

**Coronavirus Update:** Please continue to follow the Government guidelines regarding Covid-19. If anyone in your household develops a **Temperature, Cough, Loss of change to taste/ smell**. You must isolate and get a test. If your test is positive, please let school know and follow the Government guidance. Please do not send your child to school if anyone in your household develops any of the covid symptoms or tests positive. Please note that your child's attendance is not affected by Covid 19 related absence.

Mrs Vause - Attendance Officer

### ***A very special mention....***

We are very sad that we have to say farewell to Mrs Clarke, our Office Administrator, who has worked at Holycroft for over 20 years. Mrs Clarke is going to work at the Trust's Business Unit in Skipton as Finance Officer from January. We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Clarke for everything she has done for Holycroft and for all her hard work. She came to us as a temporary member of staff and forgot to leave because she loves it here so much, but the time has come for her to move on. Mrs Clarke will always be a member of the Holycroft Family and we wish her all the very best with her new role. We will miss her very much.



### School Dinner Money

Please note the school dinner price is £1.90 per day, £9.50 per week. Nursery is £1.70 per day. Please ensure you keep on top of your child’s dinner money balance and do not let it build up. Dinner money that is not paid will be billed to school, taking funds away from school resources. If debt builds up, we will stop providing a lunch and ask you to send your child with a packed lunch or have home dinners. Dinner money can be paid easily through Parent Pay by adding your debit card. If you require your username and password to get you started, please see the school office.

### HPFA/ Hub news

Members of HPFA came together to acknowledge the Heroes of Holycroft all the staff. Who in the light of the coronavirus pandemic have tirelessly worked through lockdown and continue to do so. Each member of staff was gifted a thank you box of chocolate. Due to the covid restrictions HPFA could not host a Macmillan coffee morning in September. So instead HPFA members remotely came together in organising a bun sale for children and the fantastic amount raised was **£103.71p**. Well done!

We will keep you informed of when we will be opening the Family learning Hub for parent courses and coffee mornings.

### Holiday dates: 2021

Re –opens		Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2021
Half term	Close	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2021
	Re opens	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2021
Easter Holiday	Close	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2021
	Re opens	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> April 2021
May Day	Closed	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021 (1 day)
Midterm break	Close	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 3pm
	Re opens	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
Half term	Close	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2021
	Re opens	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2021
Summer Holiday	Close	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2021