

July Newsletter 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

It is hard to believe that the school year is almost over. We were hoping that 2021-22 would be a much easier year than the previous year, but the autumn and spring terms were very difficult and we had the most covid cases we have had throughout the whole pandemic. The summer term improved as did the weather and we have had a much more enjoyable term.

This year, we are saying goodbye to some members of staff. We are saying goodbye to Mrs Young who has taught at Holland Haven for 15 years. She will be taking full retirement and we will miss her very much indeed. We are also losing Mrs Warwick who has been a LSA for 7 years. We wish her well in her new job.

Last week we had the Year 6 production, which was fantastic and so wonderful to finally have parents in school watching the show. Well done and thank you to all the Year 6 pupils for two great evenings. I would also like to wish our Year 6 pupils the very best of luck next year, in secondary school.

I would like to say a very big thank you to my staff and governors for all of their dedication and support this year. The staff at Holland Haven go above and beyond every day for our children.

Although Miss Cole has been married for a number of years now, she has decided to use her married name from September, so she will be Mrs Humphrey when we return to school.

We are hoping to have a BBQ on the final day of the term, however we really do need parents to support the PTA for this event to proceed. It would be a lovely final event, so I do hope we have some volunteers to help us, especially with the cooking.

I would like to wish you all a lovely summer break and we will see you all in September.

Regards

Mrs S Bardetti
Headteacher

Reminders

If your child is having their ears pierced this summer, please could you ensure they are pierced at the start of the holiday because pupils cannot wear earrings during PE sessions.

SEND

Here is the link to the July edition of The Bridge SEND newsletter. It contains information about events taking place in the summer holidays. It also mentions the various support groups that families can access.

<https://essexcc.pagetiger.com/sendfamilybulletinmayedition/july-edition>

Place2Be

Place2Be, the national children's mental health charity, have "Parent Smart" tips for parents and carers of children aged 4-11, to support children's wellbeing and behaviour. They also have articles about resilience and the importance of boundaries. Use this link [Parenting Smart](#) to go straight to the website.

Golden Assembly

| Date | Name | | |
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| 24.6. 22 | Sam Robinson Almira Kaya Parker Tarrant Jasmine Vaughan-Chatfield Edie Joshua Katie Sallis Erin Knight Danika McGinn Olivia Braxton Hayden Ellwood Arthur Murphy Peaches Lee Lazone Lola Harris Laura Kedge Maggie-Mai Tulip Ellie Joseph | 1.7.22 | Isaac Walker Tommy Baker Jacob Hawkins Lucas Hawkins Sophie Day Erin Partridge Ava Cox Petal Read Albie Taylor Dominic Clarke-Valencia Ruby Russell Marcus Tricker-Allen Wren Chan Erin Partridge |

Attendance

In September we will be giving pupils more rewards for good attendance. We already have our weekly attendance bear award and termly attendance treat for classes with the highest attendance. In the Autumn Term we will be telling children about an annual reward for the class with the best attendance, which will be an outing for the whole class. We will also be reintroducing our termly badge system for pupils who have 100% attendance.

This year we have had our lowest attendance in the past 10 years(not including covid absences) . Attendance is a big consideration for Ofsted, and since we are due an Ofsted, we are keen to show them that our pupils do have good attendance. Please support us by ensuring your child is in school on time every day.

Thank you.

From September 2021 to July 2022

Overall school attendance is 92.2%

| Class | Attendance |
|-------|------------|
| RBa | 90.9% |
| RBe | 91.5% |
| LF | 91.7% |
| LBP | 92.8% |
| LC | 92.5% |
| LHW | 94.2% |
| MCY | 93.8% |
| MG | 93.1% |
| MH | 93.2% |
| MC | 92.7% |

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| UH | 88.9% |
| UHa | 91.8% |
| ULH | 90.4% |
| UD | 92.0% |

Well done to LHW for the highest attendance this year.

UKS2 Rounders Festival

Well done to the following children who attended the Rounders Festival at TTC on 30th June 2022. The children took part in a series of games, winning 3 and losing 2.

Vinnie J, Alfred R, Olivia I, Evie H, Zac R, Finley G, Alfie C, Laura K & Dylan F

Beat The Street

Thank you to all the families who have signed up to Beat The Street. We have been awarded a £50 voucher to spend on P.E equipment!

Golden Baton Challenge - National Schools Sports' Week

Last month, Holland Haven pupils took part in the Golden Baton Challenge, completing as many miles as we could as a school. We were awarded joint 1st place along with 2 other schools.

Governor Corner

As we approach the end of this school year, I just wanted to reflect on the school attendance data for the year. After all of the disruption to children's learning caused by the impact of Covid over the last couple of years, it has never been more important that children are in school every day, actively participating in their class curriculum, so please think about this for your own child.

I hope the incentives that will be introduced from September will support improving the attendance levels for the 2022 / 2023 academic year.

On behalf of all of the Governors, we hope you and your children have a lovely summer break and look forward to welcoming you back in September

Carolyn Terry

Governor

Green Day #Gogreen

Thank you for supporting our second Green Day - this event was shared with many Multi Council Schools across Essex. At Holland Haven, pupils watched 5 Climate Change charities' promotional videos and voted. Practical Action received the most votes and we have donated our Green Day funds of £375 to this charity.

| | 1st 3 points | 2nd 2 points | 3rd 1 point |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Cool Earth | LHW | UHa MH MG UH | |

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| Union of Concerned Scientists | | | UHa |
| Greenpeace | MH UH | UD | MC |
| Rainforest Alliance | MC | MG | UD UH |
| Practical Action | MCY UHa UD MG LC ULH | MC MH | |

How are we helping at Holland Haven... From the list of 'things you can do about climate change'...

- Protecting Green Spaces
- Plant more trees

In our Growing Courtyard there are always new plants (such as trees and shrubs) growing from seeds and cuttings. They are taken care of in pots until they are ready to be planted in the school grounds. We also protect and develop our lovely outdoor learning spaces: The Haven (and Herb Garden), The Hills, The Forest (and vegetable patch) and The Library Garden, and, join in with several growing projects each year like the Williams Cup Potato Competition and planting bulb lasagnes. Well done Holland Haven!





Holland Haven Green Day 6.7.22

Year 2 decided to help clean up our local environment. We enjoyed an afternoon of litter picking at Hereford park and in the school grounds. Everyone was surprised at how much litter that we collected.



Sports' Day

A huge thank you from Miss Day to the children, teachers, staff and parents for supporting our children and making the day enjoyable and memorable. A big thank you to all the KS2 Sports Helpers and CCHS students and teachers who led the carousel activities.

Year 6 Leavers' Fayre

Thank you so much to Year 6 children and their parents for their efforts and contributions towards our very successful Leavers' Fayre! Thank you also to children and parents in all year groups, for spending so generously at the fayre. The children had a wonderful time and we raised an incredible £475 which Year 6 are donating to Cancer Research UK.

Online safety – Summer 2022 - From Jo Barclay Head of Education Safeguarding and Wellbeing

Children and young people today are growing up in an increasingly complex world, living much of their lives online. The internet provides many opportunities for our children, but also brings with it risks. We need to help our children understand these risks and equip them with the skills to keep themselves as safe as possible online. We also need to be confident that they understand how to report online harm and where to access help and support if they need it. Any child can be vulnerable online, and their vulnerability can fluctuate depending on their age, developmental stage and personal circumstance.

It is important to teach children how to navigate the online world and equip them with sufficient knowledge and understanding to keep themselves safer online. General messages about online safety are appropriate, as to refer to specific potential harmful websites and apps can increase risk. The key to help children and young people develop are:

- **How to evaluate what they see online** – children need to be able to assess and make judgements about what they see online, and not automatically assume that what they see is real or appropriate
- **How to recognise techniques used for persuasion** – children should understand the techniques that are often used to persuade or manipulate others
- **Online behaviour** – children should understand what acceptable and unacceptable online behaviour (in themselves and others) looks like. They should apply the same standards of behaviour and honesty on and offline, including respect for others.
- **How to identify online risks** – children should be able to identify possible online risks and make informed decisions about how to act

- **How and when to seek support** – children should understand safe ways in which to seek support if they are concerned or upset by something they have seen online, and also how to report online harm

Resources for parents and carers:

- [Internet Matters](#) – a not-for-profit organisation set up to empower parents and carers to keep children safe in the digital world. Their support for parents includes a range of downloadable guides covering subjects such as transition to secondary school, Vlogging & live streaming, online gaming and cyberbullying
- [NSPCC](#) - includes a range of resources to help parents keep children safe when they're using the internet, social networks, apps, games and more
- [Parent Info](#) - from CEOP and Parent Zone, Parent Info is a website for parents covering all of the issues amplified by the internet. It is a free service which helps schools engage parents with expert safety advice, endorsed by the National Crime Agency's CEOP command. This website provides expert information across a range of online harms
- [Parent Zone](#) - offers a range of resources for families, to help them meet the challenges of the digital age, including parent guides on the latest digital trends and platforms.

Resources for pupils:

- [BBC Own It](#) - support for young people to take control of their online life, including help and advice, skills and inspiration on topics such as friendships and bullying, safety and self-esteem
- [Childline](#) – includes information for pupils on sexting, gaming, grooming, bullying, porn, relationships.

There are further resources for schools on [Essex Schools Infolink / online safety](#), The Essex Safeguarding Children Board also has a lot of information about [Online Safety \(escb.co.uk\)](#) and parents can be directed to the website.

Asda News

Please see this information I received this week:

Asda has announced its next move in bids to help feed children this summer, meaning kids across England and Wales can eat for just £1 at any time of day in Asda Cafés, seven days a week, with no minimum adult spend required.

To help tackle holiday hunger at a time when the cost-of-living is higher than ever, children aged 16 and under can access a hot or cold meal for just £1.

Asda's 'The Kids Eat for £1' initiative is available all day, every day from 25th July until 4th September in England and Wales, as long as the Café is open and dependent on the store, a hot meal or cold meal, or both, will be on offer.

Baby food is also available as part of the initiative, with little ones able to enjoy a free pouch of Ella's Kitchen baby food (70g pouch) in their local Asda Café.

Dates for the Diary

20th July last day of the Summer Term

5th September 2022 first day back of Autumn Term



HOLIDAY COURSES

Bikeability Level 1, Level 1 & 2 and 3 and Learn to ride courses

To book, please visit link
essex.cycleready.co.uk/publicbooking

There is a £10 non-refundable booking fee



**Do you have a
special educational
need or disability?**



Essex are looking for
young people who want
to have a say on things
that affect you



**Pizza and drinks
will be provided**



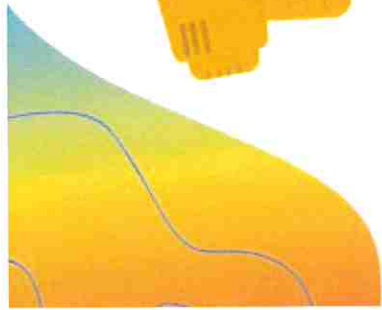
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