

January Newsletter 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy new year to you all. I hope that you had a lovely Christmas break. We have made a good start to the term and it has been lovely to welcome some new pupils to our school.

I was hoping that Covid would not be an issue this term, but unfortunately it is still very much present in the school. If you receive a letter about regular testing please make sure this takes place to avoid class outbreaks. I do not wish to close classes this term and I can only stop this happening if you are vigilant and committed to testing your children when there is a need.

We will continue with our LOTC silver award this term and so please make sure that your child has appropriate outdoor clothing. Wellies are a must so that our children can access all the outside learning areas we have to offer.

Mrs Bardetti

Headteacher

Latest COVID guidance for schools from the DfE

Once again there were new isolation rules starting on Monday 17th January. The day symptoms start or if your child has no symptoms, the day they test positive on a LFT, is day 0. The next day is day 1, which is their first isolation day. Begin to test early in the morning (before school) on day 5. After 2 negatives, in 24 hours, they can return to school. Please provide evidence of your child's positive and negative tests to the school office (admin@hollandhaven.essex.sch.uk).

Parking

Please can you ensure that you do not park across our neighbours driveways or on the zigzag lines outside school.

The school car park is **only** for members of staff.

Golden Assembly

Date	Name	Date	Name	Date	Name
14.1.22	Kristen Harris Aithen Shubin Isla-Rose Sutton Summer Rydon Ollie Partridge Isla Murray Maggie Russell Alanna O'Hara Kason Wright Charlie Armstrong Phoebe Goldsmith Evie-Rose Hopley Elsie May Murphy Oliver Moye Aaron Grant	16.12.21	Logan Kirk Kayleb Hawke Kurt O'Dell Kristen Harris Olivia Brading Angel Vennell Mia Fielder Jones Lola Toby Swift Alf Russell	7.12.21	Lennie Willis Lucy Rose Richardson Annabelle Lockett Max King Ava -Rose London and Bella Bangs Lily-Mae Fenner Albert Smith Lille-Rose Cocks-Ilett Archie Gilchrist Isla-Mae Facey Xavier Alyward Finley Gooding Alfie Smith

	Bailey Gilchrist Bobby Lawrence				Reggie Rendall
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Wellie Amnesty - KS2

Please donate your used wellies! As a LOTC school, it is handy to have a spare set of wellies -we currently have gaps in sizes 1 and up. If you have any wellies that no longer fit, please send them in with your child.

Governor Corner

On behalf of all the governing board I wish you all a Happy New year.

January is officially the longest, depressing, and hardest month..... it's nearly over!

We find ourselves running around trying to manage our everyday lives, organising our children, and completing chores, with the hope that we are doing the best we can. January's toll and the cold, short days with long, dark nights seem ever more apparent. Maybe we are fed up that any new year resolutions we decided to accomplish are not going to plan... stay focused and keep going, you will succeed!

In our current world filled with so much distraction, I stumbled across this poem which shares a bit of kindness, I felt it appropriate to share this with you

K - Kindness is shown by what we say and do.

I - It says to the other person, "I care about you."

N - Never neglect to show kindness to everyone you see.

D - Day or night, young or old, whoever it may be.

N - Nothing touches the heart like a big, warm smile.

E - Everyone needs to feel loved, whether adult or child.

S - So smile at someone to show them that you care.

S - Show kindness and love to everyone everywhere.

Our children are so precious and to share a simple gesture of kindness can be a wonderful gift. Look forward and embrace 2022.

Wishing you all well.

Sharlie Patel

Co Vice Chair of Governors

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

February 2022

8th & 9th February - EYFS Height, Weight and Vision checks

11th February - Planetarium to visit, Year 5 & 6

Half Term Monday 14th to Friday 18th February

21st February - Return to school

Essex Library

Lots of prizes to be won!

Essex **Library** Services

Read, learn, connect.

Winter Reading Challenge

Saturday 27 November 2021 - Saturday 19 February 2022

Pick up a giant bookmark from any Essex library. Read six books to complete the challenge and collect a stamp for each library book you read!

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