



Holbrook C of E Primary School

Together we Learn

Upcoming dates

10.10.22 – Police in to talk to whole school (Halloween/Bonfire night)

11.10 – Open morning for Sept 23 Starters

12.10 – Individual & sibling photos

13.10 – Harvest festival at St Michael's church (10am)

17-19.10 – Parents' Evening

A full lists of dates for the year can be found on the school website

Harvest Festival: Just a reminder that we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival at the church (Years 1-6) on the 13th October, and are asking for donations from the 10th October for the Padley Centre. If some of the donations come in decorated boxes that would be wonderful as we can use them to display in church. We would also appreciate some parent/carer helpers for the walk down – if you are interested, please get in touch with the office.

New faces: Look out for our new caretaker and cleaning team. Mr Parker is our caretaker and we also have Mrs Parker who will be taking over the breakfast club as well as supporting Mr Parker with cleaning. We are very happy to have them join our team and school is already looking sparkling!

Open morning: A reminder about our open morning for September 2023 new starters – please spread the word for anyone you think may be interested. The meeting is aimed at grown-ups, but if anyone is stuck for childcare they can bring children along.

Flute places: Mrs Harden, our flute teacher, has places for children in the junior classes to have lessons. Remember that there are subsidies available, as well as instrument hire. Please get in touch with Mrs Swinfield in the office if you would like to know more.

Holbrook in Bloom: We are trying to get together a community group to take part in the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' aspect of 'East Midlands in Bloom.' A focus would be our school garden, which produced some super produce in the summer term but needs further development. It would be lovely to involve the community more in helping children to understand gardening, the environment and how to grow produce. Initially, we would like some parents to help clear the garden before winter, and maybe longer-term work with the Holbrook in Bloom team to work with the children, or to look after the garden during holidays (especially the summer). If you think you would be able to spare a few hours, even as a one off, or if you think you might be able to commit to the project over the next few months, please get in touch with school.

Black History Month: This week children have been exploring music by black composers during assembly and in class. Our diversity weeks help ensure that everyone is included and has a voice, and help children build an understanding of what equality and fairness can look like at school, in the community and in the wider world. Our assembly PowerPoint, with links to the music, is on Class Dojo, so if you have chance, have a chat with children about what they have been learning.

MacMillan Coffee Morning: Thank you to those who supported our coffee morning. The children really enjoyed organizing and running this event and our total of £154.50 was boosted by £49 thanks to Erin's sterling work running her own coffee morning at home. Well done everyone!

Half term holiday Clay creators: Don't forget that 'clay creators' is running during October half term in our school hall – a great club to keep children occupied, especially if the weather is particularly autumnal. The children attending this club are really enjoying it, and have made some fantastic creations! If you would like to book onto the half term sessions, please use the link. go.claycreators.com/hol

Fun at JCA: Our Year 5 and 6 had a great time at JCA building up their confidence, their problem solving skills and their independence. Of course, they also had a lot of fun too! Thanks to all the staff who gave up their time to plan and supervise these trips and kept everyone safe and happy.

