



Holbrook C of E Primary School

“Live Life in All its Fullness” John 10:10

A message from Mrs Taylor: It has been another fun-filled half term, topped off by lots of lovely Christmas activities. You can find out about some of the things we have been up to this half term here, and see how we have been working to provide children with our 'Holbrook Top Ten' experiences. On behalf of all the staff I'd like to say a big thank you for all the cards, gifts and Christmas wishes which have been sent our way. I want to wish everyone a happy and healthy Christmas and new year, and I hope the usual spate of illnesses have passed in time for everyone to enjoy their holiday. We'll see everyone on 7th January!



Trips and more trips: The infants enjoyed their trip to the cinema last week, and the juniors had a great time at the theatre. Children enjoying cultural experiences comes under our 'connoisseur' top ten badge. I was very proud of all children on these trips – in fact, a member of staff from another school came to let us know how beautifully behaved our children were during the interval. Well done everyone!

Christmas Service: Thank you if you were able to join us for our Christmas church service on Thursday and I hope it helped you get in the holiday spirit! Performing to an audience is one of our Holbrook Top Ten experiences and I think the children can all say they have achieved that one through the service or through our lovely nativity performances. Well done to our school choir for their excellent performance. If you would like your child to join the choir which meets on a Thursday lunchtime, please do email the office. Mrs Robinson will be returning from maternity leave to lead the singing lessons and the choir and I know she is excited to come back and sing with us again.



Community Work: After our church service, children from Class 5, Fabulous Foxes, visited Holbrook Hall residential home to sing for the residents. We visit once a term to perform there and it certainly brightens our day to go, and also brightens the day of all the residents too. Well done Year 6 for contributing to our community and earning your 'local hero' top ten experience.



KEY DATES:

- 06.01.25 – INSET (no children in school)
- 10.01.25 – Y2 and Y6 visit from the fire service
- 15.01.25 – Year 6 visiting Derby University
- 17/24.01.25 – Year 5/6 first aid training by the British Red Cross
- 30.01.25 – Disco
- 10.2.25 – Children's Mental Health Week (whole school topic)
- 11/13.02.25 – parents' evening

All dates are also on the website



Safeguarding over the holidays: If you are concerned about a child, please contact Derbyshire County Council's starting point service, 01629 533190, or phone the police in an emergency.

Derbyshire Domestic Abuse Helpline tel: 07534 617252

For well-being and mental health support: [Derby & Derbyshire - Emotional Health & Wellbeing](#)

Please note, the school's safeguarding email safeguarding@holbrook.derbyshire.sch.uk is not monitored over holidays.