

Holbrook School News



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#OnlineSafety

Dear Parents and Carers.

If you follow our school Facebook page you will have seen a few postings all about internet safety. During lockdown many of us used technology more than ever before; for work, to keep in contact with friends and family, school learning and entertainment! Internet safety runs throughout our computing curriculum, but at the start of the school year we like to remind pupils of the key messages to staying safe online.

We know that every few weeks children find new games and websites that they enjoy and trying to keep up to date is really hard for parents. There are many websites out there that can help parents understand APPs, Sites and game - <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/> from the NSPCC and <https://www.common sense media.org/> but the most important message from our Internet Safety lessons for pupils is

TELL—When you see or read something online that makes you feel uncomfortable, tell an adult. Whilst as parents we may not know what to do straight away, we have the experience and skills to find out what to do and help and support our children and keep them safe.

As a school we like to share the resources we use on internet safety with parents because we carefully select resources that are appropriate to a child's age and online usage. We would recommend parents to have a watch of these films so you can use them to start having discussions with your children and help keep them safe online.

Have a good weekend and stay safe—online and in the real world.



Mask



In response to the national rise in COVID-19 cases, Coventry Local Authority has asked all parents and carers that can, to wear face masks when dropping off and collecting children from school.

Thank you for your ongoing support during these difficult times.

Attendance FAQs

E-mailed out to parents along with the newsletter is an [Attendance Guide](#).

Guidance for Parents about att

What to do if...	Action needed
... my child feels unwell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not come to school Check for coronavirus Contact school

Please have a read over it so you follow school procedures to help keep everyone in our school community safe and well.

If your child isn't in school because they have had COVID Symptoms and has been sent for a test, they can't come back to school until we have seen a negative test result.

The week ahead!

Monday 13th	PE Kits—Year 6 & Year 3
Tuesday 14th	PE Kits—Reception Classes
Wednesday 15th	PE Kits—Year 5
Thursday 16th	PE Kits—Year 1
Friday 17th	PE Kits—Year 4



Weekly Challenge

Be mindful of your BEST!

- **Be active...** Aim for 60mins of exercise a day
- **Eat healthily...** Remember your five a day
- **Sleep well**
- **Take time for you...**

Be healthy inside and out!

Challenge 25...

Learn to lace.



It might be quick and cool to just tuck in your laces, but learning to tie them means that your shoes will stay put!

This weekend it would be great if you help your child learn to tie their own laces!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhXXYuCpVwc>

It would be great to see a picture of two of parents and children trying this challenge! Especially our younger pupils— challenge@holbrookprimary.com You might win a special challenge badge if your picture is selected!

Independence.



It is important for the children to be able to get themselves

dressed and undressed as part of their independence. Please practise this with your child, especially their jumpers, cardigans, socks and shoes.

How quickly can your child put on their coat? Can they zip it up? You and your child can use a sand timer to see.

How quickly can they put on their school clothes or their PE clothes? Can you make it into a competition between them and other members of the family? Who is faster?

If you send your child to school in lace up shoes please make sure that they can tie them on their own.



Data Sheets.

In the first week of term your child came home with a datasheet and a few forms to sign. A huge thank you to those that have carefully checked them, made any changes and returned them to school.

If you still have your child's sheet at home, please return them on Monday to save us having to chase them up!

Secondary Education in Coventry 2021

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Year 6

Secondary School Applications

The deadline for all applications is

31 October 2020.

From the [Secondary Booklet](#) 'Last year 78.6% of children got their first preference school due to the high number of applicants. Many schools received more applications than there are places available. This meant that parents who applied late were often unsuccessful in getting a place at one of their preferred schools. It is therefore very important that you apply by the closing date and use the information in this booklet and advice from Admissions staff to ensure you have the best chance of getting a place at your preferred school.'

Please make sure you look at the booklet and the guide for [School Admissions Online User Guide](#) so that you can make sure you get your applications in on time.

Fishy Friday is back!

We have made a change to our school dinner takeaway menu from next week bringing back a favourite—Fish and Chip Friday!

Please take a look at the new school dinner menu online.

