

# Holbrook School News



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## A new normal for now...

Dear Parents & Carers,

It has been absolutely fabulous this week to have so many pupils coming in everyday, from Nursery all the way up to Year 6 and staying in their bubbles. The school has started to feel a happy and vibrant place again!

Walking round school, it has been great to hear the sound of children talking and having fun as they learn. The lessons aren't quite the same as they were in March as the focus has to be on keeping the pupils safe physically and mentally as they have been out of formal schooling for so long. This is why, as a school we were so keen to reopen, if only for a few days for every child in the school. These opportunities of coming in to school and mixing with others and beginning to see some return to normality will have been of huge benefit to the pupils in our care.

Normally next week would be Transition Day.

Pupils in Year 6 would go to their new school and

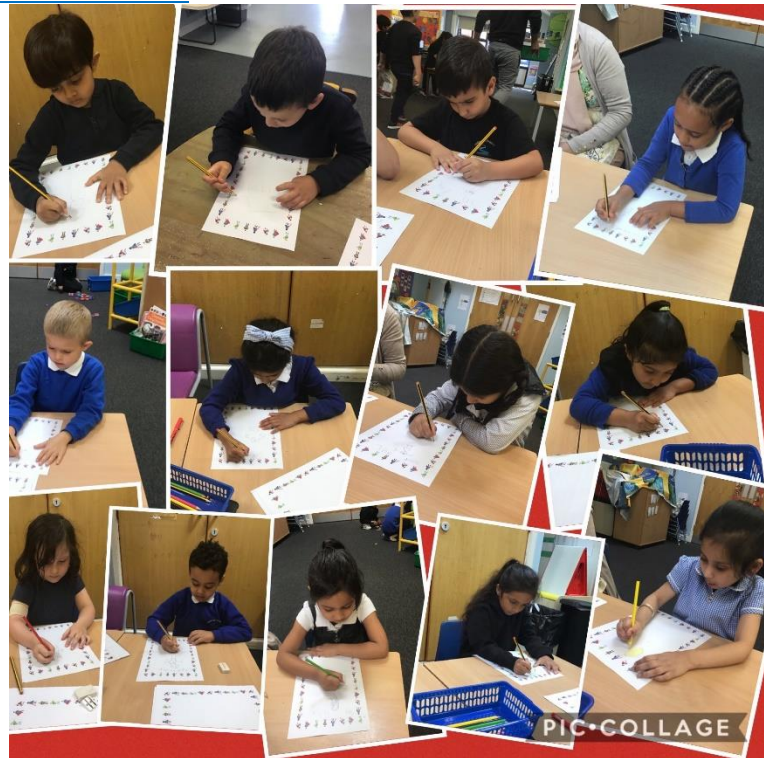
the rest of the school would move up to their new class and meet their teacher for next year.

Obviously this can't happen this year, however we are putting in place, ways for pupils to be introduced to their new teacher – it might be virtually via them reading a story or if we can maintain good social distance, the teacher will be able to pop into the classroom but! Remember our priority

remains to keep everyone safe. In the newsletter next week, we will introduce you to our new staff.

If your child hasn't returned to school yet, please send them! We would love to see everyone before the end of the school year so please! send them in on their allocated day.

This weekend, further lockdown restrictions are eased, but the advice is still to try and maintain good social distancing and maintain hand washing to prevent the spread. So, until next week stay safe and I look forward to seeing everyone next week!



## 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 21 – Make a game!

This week we would love pupils to make and play their own board game – you might even make your own dice!

It could be a track game like *Snakes and Ladders* or have risk and chance cards like *Monopoly*. You might even write some rules!



If you do join in this week's challenge you can't bring your game in to school but we would love to see a picture so email them in to:- [challenge@holbrookprimary.com](mailto:challenge@holbrookprimary.com) any entries that impress Mr Connolly could make the Virtual BEST assembly or our social media feeds and then you might get a new special Challenge badge and certificate



Make a Car Race Board Game



## Signing T-Shirts!



Another effect of the COVID-19 pandemic is this year pupils can't have shirts signed by their friends and t-shirts.

As an alternative the Year 6 Teachers are creating a collating messages and images on a virtual t-shirt for pupils. An e-mail has been sent out to everyone, but a not everyone has sent in a reply!

To give the teachers to create this leaving memento for pupils please send them in before the end of next week – July 10<sup>th</sup>.

## YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIE.

We are still doing the leavers hoodie for Year 6 pupils – a great memento of their time at Primary School and of a unique year!



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