



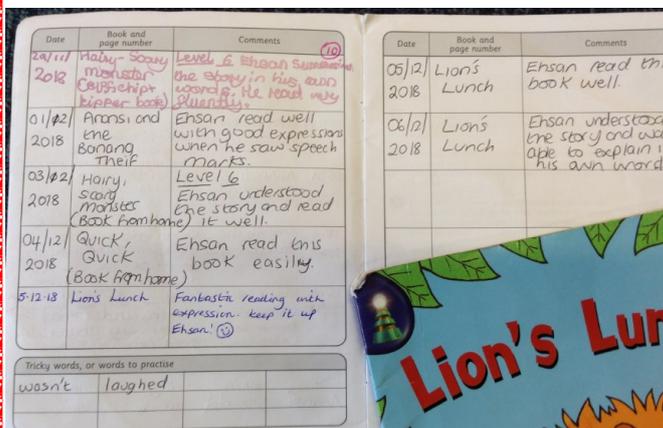
Holbrook News



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Helping at home.

One of the easiest and simplest ways of helping your child at home with their learning, that would help across all their learning is *reading*. It is such an important skill that we use across all aspects of the curriculum. Just a quarter of an hour each day hearing your child read and asking them questions about their book or magazine that they are reading, would really help them. This is as true for Year 6 pupils as it is for Reception children. Every child has a home reading diary so you can record their reading each day. You don't have to make a comment each day, sometimes a smiley face or just sign your name will be enough. However, you might like to give more information, telling the teacher if your child enjoyed the book, how well they read it or if they found it quite hard, could they answer any questions that you asked? You can even use this section to list down new / unfamiliar words your child finds as they read, then with your child you can look them up in a dictionary or on the web, supporting extending their vocabulary.



The year group blogs on the school website are another great way that you can help your child with learning at home. The blogs provide you with a window into the classroom. This means that you can share with your child, what they have been learning in school. Talking to your child about their learning not only values their work, but also helps develop their understanding. This is because it gives them the opportunity to explain themselves to you and to others and not just in the lesson, a very tricky skill! On the blogs you will also find that the teachers upload links and clips. If you have time to follow these with your child, this will really enable you to be fully part of your child's learning journey at school while also providing you with opportunities to extend their learning at home, especially if your child is enjoying their topic.

Mrs McCarthy

Forthcoming Events

Assembly Themes— Advent

Monday 10th	3:45—Year 1 & 2 Return from Pantomime Visit. 4:30pm Governors—Performance & Standards .
Tuesday 11th	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 12th	3—4pm Year 4 Drama Group
Thursday 13th	AM Nursery Visit Santa. School Christmas Dinner Year 5 & 6 Netball Match
Friday 14th	PM Nursery Visit Santa. Festive Friday

Attendance Report

1	1B	98.6
2	3S	97.9
3	3D	97
4	4D	96.7
	5S	96.7
	5C	96.7
	6H	96.7
8	4H	96.5
9	4M	96.3
10	6W	95.3
11	3R	95.2
12	2C	94.7
13	Nursery AM	94.6
14	2S	94.3
15	1M	93.9
16	1F	93.7
	Whole School	93.6
17	2K	93.3
18	5D	92.7
19	6C	92
20	RM	90.4
21	RW	83
22	RL	80
23	Nursery PM	73.3

We have stopped the slide in our attendance but we need to work hard to get back to 96%.

Well done to all the classes in yellow who have managed to get over the 96% target.

26 Nov-30 Dec

YTD 95.0
% - 0.1



Reception School Places for 2019

Applications for reception places for 2019 can be made on-line by logging onto www.coventry.gov.uk and selecting the 'schools and colleges' tab. The closing date for applications is 15 January 2019.

If you do not apply you may not be allocated your choice of school.

Don't leave it too late. Sign up now!

CHRISTMAS POST

The school post box for Christmas cards will be in the entrance hall from next week. Please could you ensure envelopes are clearly labelled with children's names and classes.



Sports & Arts Club Cancelled

For the last two weeks of term there are no sports or arts clubs.

This is Gymnastics, Football, Multiskills Athletics, Dodgeball, Bangracise, Drumming, Choir and Arts.

The special Dram group and Gymnastics team training will continue as per the letter to get ready for the performance and competition in the New Year.

Spring 2019

After School Clubs.

Over the next week you can sign up online for after school clubs starting in January.

<https://goo.gl/forms/87eKzzzptDbrgn12>

Mr Connolly will let everyone know if they successfully managed to sign up for a club on the last week of term.



Festive Friday

This coming Friday please dig out your Christmas jumpers, Wintery Dresses or snowman earrings to join in our Festive Friday.

We ask that everyone donates £1.00

If you do not want to come in a Christmas jumper, you can come in a winter themed jumper, a Christmas onesie, a Christmas hat or even tinsel wrapped around you!

Santa's Grotto

THURSDAY 20th DECEMBER

Santa is making a special visit to Holbrook School on Thursday 20th December so all pupils will have the chance to visit him in his Grotto and get a gift. If you would like your child to go please return the slip to your child's class £1.50 before Friday 14th December.

Name _____ Class _____

