



Holbrook News



Goodbyes and have a good holiday.

Wow! Time has flown by this year and it is hard to believe that it was only 10 months ago when I was writing to welcome you all to a new school!



So, the last newsletter of the year and a tricky one to write as it is always tinged with sadness from staff and pupils who are moving schools but also, an air of excitement as a fresh new year is ahead with new aspirations to fulfil!

The last week has seen two fantastic end of Key Stage events—Year 2's Beach Day performance where they really did show off how ready they were for KS2 and then Year 6! Wow! An amazing and so witty assembly, delivering a wonderful last HURRAH with for their farewell assembly. We have had another successful Year at Holbrook School and are very proud of all the children and what they have achieved, both in and out of school, this is very much due to the support from parents over the years. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their dedication to the Holbrook Community and their determination to support children in being the BEST!

As well as saying our goodbyes to 91 Year 6 pupils, sadly it is at this time of the year that we say goodbye to staff...

After 7 years with us Miss Cash (Year 6) is moving on to Castle Phoenix Teaching School Alliance. We wish her all the best for the future in her new role.

This week, we welcomed back Mrs Richardson, Mrs Fernando and Mrs Parry from their maternity leaves and everyone welcomed them back to Holbrook.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy and relaxing holiday and I look forward to welcoming you all back to Holbrook on **Tuesday 3rd September**.

Mrs McCarthy



This year the Summer Fayre raised over £3000 for school funds!

THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone for coming to the Summer Fayre. I am sure you will agree with us that it was a highly enjoyable afternoon.



The next huge THANK YOU must go to all the staff and parents who helped out on the day to make it the success it was. Also we would like to thank lots of local businesses for providing prizes for our raffle.



Barbecue

Carpet Castle

Venus Chip Shop

Masala Jacks

Haircut Cutting Crew

Tuscany Pizza

The Holly Bush

Royal Punjab

Bengal Delight

Asiana



What to do?

I am sure that many pupils around the country are hoping that the summer holiday means hours of uninterrupted playing on their games console. However there are so many other great activities that they can be doing that will help prepare them for the new school year in September—even our Year 6 pupils!

Keeping up those reading, writing and maths skills over the summer really will help. Coventry and it's surrounding areas has loads of great places to visit and explore. Just a few are listed below, but if you go further a field make sure you send me a postcard!

Mr Connolly

Become a Culture Vulture!

Coventry has museums, cathedrals and a Roman Fort to visit.

The Herbert Art Gallery and Transport Museum offer a range of activities over the summer for only a few pounds per a child —better to make an arty mess where your mum won't tell you off!

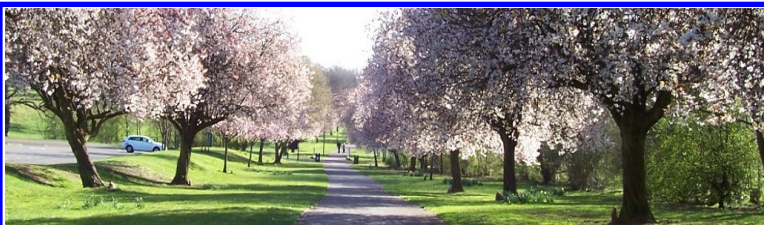
Check out the websites to see events that might interest you so you can plan interesting days out.

https://www.theherbert.org/whats_on/1430/summer_holidays_a_summer_of_playful_making

<https://www.transport-museum.com/events>

The Lunt Fort has some extra events over the holiday.

<http://www.luntromanfort.org/index.php/home/whats-on>



Get to the Park!

There are also lots of activities at the Memorial Park, so pack up a picnic, blanket and ball and make a day of it. Physical Activity doesn't just have to be limited to a PE lesson. You could even hold your own family sports day!

Check out the council website for any special events. <http://www.coventry.gov.uk/wmpevents>

Read a book...

Find out facts and learn about things that interest you, or escape to different worlds and have adventures safe at home.

Visit the local library; it's free to join and you can borrow endless books.



Regular reading over the summer builds upon all the learning that has happened over the year and makes the move to your next year group a little easier, even for year 6 pupils! It is also a lovely way to spend time with your children, sharing a story.

If you take part in the Library's Reading Challenge you can earn rewards! If you do complete the challenge, we would love to award the certificates in BEST Assembly.

Play a game!

Dust off those board games and get out the dice.



Playing board games are great fun for the whole family and can be educational.

- Taking turns.
- Counting and adding numbers especially if you use two dot dice.
- Reading the instructions and rule!

With more advanced games like Monopoly and Yahtzee there is a huge amount of maths involved—money, percentages, chance and probability as well as strategic thinking.

