

# March Holbrook News



## Coronavirus (COVID-19)

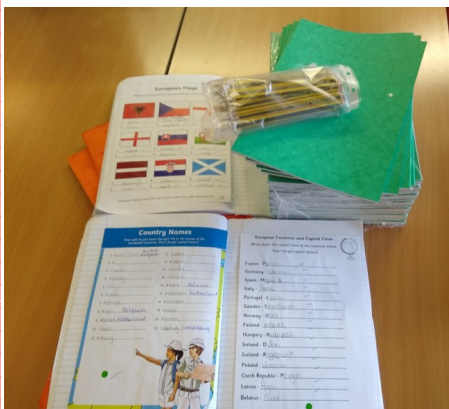
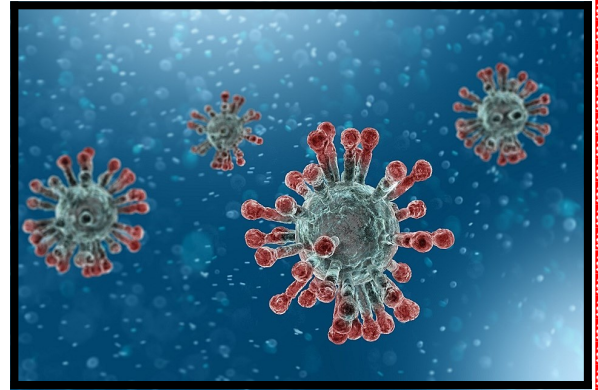
Dear Parents,

From conversations with pupils and parents over the last week it is clear that many are concerned about the Coronavirus. At school the safety and welfare of the pupils in our care is our top priority at school so we have been following advice from Public Health England and the department for Education.

At Holbrook School we have always had hand sanitisers which are regularly used (especially on the way into lunch) and boxes of tissues in classrooms for pupils to use to stop the spread of any illnesses and sickness bugs that children routinely get. Since the outbreak staff have been repeating the message to all pupils of the importance of regular hand washing.

If you have been keeping up to date with the news you will have seen that the country has entered the delay phase to stem the spread of Coronavirus. Only schools directly affected by COVID-19 are closed, the vast majority, like Holbrook Primary School, remain open and will continue to stay open until advised by Public Health England and the government.

Hopefully schools will remain open and the epidemic will quickly pass but in the event of an enforced school closure myself and my team have been thinking about how we can continue to provide learning at home.



Every year group has a fantastic blog already that shows off the excellent learning our pupils do and gives information to support further learning at home. In the event of an extended school closure, teachers will post on the blogs daily a range of links to websites that pupils can access at home and activities that pupils can do offline, we have even got ready exercise books and stationary. During the school year all pupils from year 1 to 6 are used to accessing the blogs from the [school website](#) so will know how to see the posts from teachers. Hopefully this advance planning won't be necessary.

Even without a school closure one thing we will always encourage is lots of reading at home. To keep up to date with the school information please follow us on Facebook @holbrookps and the school website.

*Mrs McCarthy*

## Forthcoming Events

Monday 16th	<b>Reception Walk to Greengrocers</b>
Tuesday 17th	
Wednesday 18th	<b>YEAR 1—PE Come Dressed in PE KIT</b> Police visit Nursery <b>Reception Walk to Greengrocers</b>
Thursday 19th	<b>9am Year 6 SATs Workshop</b> <b>Swimming—4D &amp; 4P</b> <b>Reception Walk to Greengrocers</b>
Friday 20th	

## Attendance Report

	Class	% Attend
1	5S	98
1	5F	98
3	3S	97.3
4	RM	96.9
5	6M	96.3
6	4P	96
7	3D	95.9
8	1M	95.7
9	4D	95.3
10	1B	94.8
11	Nursery AM	93.6
12	6H	93.1
13	3R	92.7
	Whole School	92.4
14	5C	91.3
15	6G	90.7
16	4H	89.7
17	RW	89.6
18	2S	89
19	1F	86.9
20	2K	86.1
21	RL	85.1
22	Nursery PM	84.2
23	2C	81.4

Not a great week for attendance the biggest factor isn't illness but extended holidays!

However! A huge **WELL DONE** to 5S & 5F for a topping the attendance with 98% table.

2 - 6 March

**YTD 95.2%  
-0.1**





## Easter Egg Raffle.



**20p a ticket 5 for £1**

To raise funds to buy wet play games we are having an Easter Egg Raffle. We will be selling tickets each day for the next few weeks.

We hope you will continue to support our fund raising.

*The School Council.*



## 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!*

This week's challenge has been chosen by Mrs Kelsall. She loves Narcissus, more commonly called daffodils. They are like sunshine on a stalk!

### Challenge 9... Daffodils Dreams



This week Mrs Kelsall would like you to get creative with the theme of daffodils. You could create a collage, paint a fantastic picture or write a poem. Whatever you create, daffodils need to be the star of the show.

Please bring your creative work to Mrs Kelsall next week.

### Correct Uniform



Recently we have seen a number of pupils not wearing the correct school uniform.

If you are in any doubt please look at the uniform page on the school website.

<https://www.holbrookprimary.com/school-information/school-uniform/>

Head scarves or handkerchiefs should also be plain colours; blue, black or white.

Also remember jeans should not be worn!

Jewellery should not be worn at school with the exception of small stud earrings.

### Row, row, row your boat!

On Thursday the boys and girls rowing teams certainly didn't row gently down a stream but as hard and as fast as possible on a rowing machine as part of the a competition against 27 other schools.



Both teams were ambassadors for Holbrook School and did themselves and the school proud. The boys finished 10th overall and the girls came 2nd so will be going forward to represent Coventry West in the School Games Finals.

Great Rowing from you all.