



Independence.

One of the important elements of a school residential trip like Dol-y-Moch is that it builds up pupil's independence. For some it's the first time away from home, having to do things for themselves.

We are really grateful to the staff who gave up their weekend with their family to take pupils away for five great days full of adventures and experiences, all the children got so much out of their stay.

Independence is something that we like to encourage for all our pupils in school. It is an important life skill as we don't always have someone to look after us. These skills start in Nursery and Reception and go on all the way up to the Year 6 pupils.

Changing for PE is one of those times our younger pupils can learn independence and as parents you can help greatly with this at home. Although it is easier and quicker to help children dress in the morning, it means that children miss out on learning how to do by themselves.

As children move through the school having them get their own PE kit ready, home reading book and bringing in their homework on the right day are useful skills, especially for our older pupils as preparation for secondary school. A check list or a day planner as well as a kindly reminder from a parent or carer can really help children learn these skills.

Mrs McCarthy



Forthcoming Events

Assembly Theme—ROAD SAFETY

Monday 7th Oct	3D & 3P Swimming
Tuesday 8th	3R Coventry Trip Even Classes (2-4-6) BEST Assembly RISE Parent Workshop
Wednesday 9th	Girls Football Match
Thursday 10th	3D Coventry Trip 9am—30minute Maths Workshop for Reception parents.
Friday 11th	3S Coventry Trip Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights

Newsletter Date: 4 October 2019

	Class	% Attend
1	2K	99
2	3R	98.7
3	1M	98.6
	2C	98.6
	5C	98.6
6	4D	98
7	RM	97.9
8	RL	97.8
9	4P	97.2
	6H	97.2
11	5F	97
12	4H	96.6
13	6M	96.5
14	3S	96.2
	Whole School	95.1
15	6G	95
16	2S	94.8
17	1B	90.7
18	1F	90.7
19	RW	90
20	5S	89.7
21	Nursery AM	89.6
22	3D	85
23	Nursery PM	78

Attendance Report

Slowly our attendance is creeping back up to our target but it would be great if so many more classes could hit 96% or even better 100%

24–28 Sept

YTD
95.1%
+0.1





Weekly Challenge

We will **CHALLENGE** ourselves every day, in and out of school, to extend our experiences and widen our knowledge.

Challenge 21... On your bike!

This weekend end why not dust off your bike, check the brakes and adjust the seat and get cycling.

Every time you go for a cycle do an "M—check" on your bike. Here is a great 3 minute clip to help you.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qtx60bcNk0>

As with our challenges please e-mail in any picture you take and if your picture is picked for the newsletter you get a BEST point!

challenge@holbrookprimary.com

Year 6

Secondary School Applications

The deadline for all applications is

31 October 2019.

The open days are over so you now need to make sure you have your online application.

Mrs Lama and Miss Smith are around if you need any help.

https://www.coventry.gov.uk/info/148/school_admissions/120/secondary_school_admissions/3

Parents' Evening

Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th October

The system has now stopped accepting appointments. Mr Connolly will now allocate appointments for everyone not yet booked and everyone will get the appointment slips next week.

School Council.

WOW! We are so pleased with our first fund raiser this year! As a school we raised £376.03 for MacMillian Cancer Support. Thank you to everyone that came in dressed in Green and donated to a great cause. It was amazing!



As well as helping to improve the school as a School Council we want

to help families in need in Coventry so we are going to use this harvest time to do a collection of food items for Coventry Food Bank.

We have done some research on what happens to the food we collect and what they need. Over the next week we will be sharing this around the classes in school and starting to collect food outside Mr Connolly & Mrs Henry's office.

It would be great if our families could get one extra item in their shopping from this list that the food bank so we can help people in need.

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

TINNED FISH

TINNED MEAT

RICE

RICE PUDDING

LONG LIFE MILK (UHT)

TINNED FRUIT

LONG LIFE JUICE

SQUASH

TOILETRIES

If you wish to find out more about the work the foodbank does please look at their website.

<https://coventry.foodbank.org.uk/>

Thank you for your support.

The School Council.

