

Newsletter

Spring 2 2019



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Upcoming Dates

April 23rd—Tuesday—Children return to school 8.45am

Holtsmere End Infant and Nursery School

Dear Parents,

It's incredible to think that we have reached the end of the spring term. It has been an incredibly busy term and your children have taken part in many exciting learning opportunities and have made great progress.

Year 1 Sports

Year 1 thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the Sports Centre where they engaged in different sports alongside several other local schools. They returned to school with beaming faces and reports of how much they'd enjoyed it.

Around the World Day

Yesterday was our 'Around the World' day. What a fun day it was! The children entered their 'departure lounges' 'checked in' and had their bags searched. They then enjoyed a flight simulation and 'flew' to their class destination. Several children looked out of the window at the end of the simulation just to make sure that they hadn't 'actually' flown anywhere!!!

Our wonderful staff planned exciting activities appropriate to each country such as Bollywood dancing, using chopsticks, learning the Haka, making pizzas, salsa dips, learning about the pyramids and so, so much more. In the afternoon the children moved around the school to experience a 'taste' of each country. It was such an exciting day and fun day which we'll definitely repeat next year with different countries. Thank you to all the staff who worked so hard planning and resourcing the day.



Staffing

Although I have written to individual classes regarding staff changes and we are looking forward to welcoming new staff members after Easter which are detailed below, I would like to wish Miss George and Mrs Clewett well as they leave us today. Miss George has only been with us a short time and we wish her well in her new role at a school in Harpenden.

Mrs Clewett has worked at Holtsmere for many years and will have taught many of your children and their siblings. She had shown great dedication and commitment to the school and has worked incredibly hard. I am sure that you will join me in wishing her well in her well earned time off with her family.

New staff

Hazel class - Mrs O'Toole and Miss Thingsaker (pronounced Tin sarker)

Oak class- Mrs Barnes- Friday teacher as Mrs Rayment now works in our Nurture classroom

Nursery - Mrs Dempsey - Maternity cover teacher

I wish you all a wonderful Easter break and we will look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Tuesday 23rd April at 8.45am.**

Mrs O'Connell Head Teacher

Happy Learners. Aiming High.



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Stars of the week

Maple	Chestnut	Oak
Abbey and Akshaya	Tiana and Oliver	Leo and Tilly
Hazel	Pine	Beech
Deeksha and Amelia B	Alfie N and Keerth	Aleyna and Toby
Willow	Alex and Taha	

Star Writers

Maple	Chestnut	Oak
Enzo	Cody	Henry
Hazel	Pine	Beech
Thomas	Melissa	Oliver P

 #hotchocfriday—joining Mrs O’Connell for hot chocolate on Friday to celebrate good behaviour at lunchtime— Summer, Melissa, Tiana, Freddie, Logan, Lily-Alice

Attendance—Week beginning 25th March

Maple	Chestnut	Oak
93.75%	95.41%	92.07%
Hazel	Pine	Beech
94%	89.03%	87.67%

Oh dear! None of the classes reached the magic 96%

Please remember Every day counts.

