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Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am or 1.00pm  
Open Session for September 2019 new intake  
(please call to book)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2.30pm  
Reception Phonic Workshop

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October  
Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nasal Flu Spray

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 3.30-5.30pm  
Pupil Progress Evening

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 3.30-5.30pm  
Pupil Progress Evening

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October  
Harvest Festival (children only)

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 3.00/3.10pm  
School Closes for Half Term

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 8.45am  
School reopens / Children back to school

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November  
Bonfire Night Safety Assembly

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Diwali

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
Children in Need

Dear Parents/Carers

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Uredi to the Holland House team as our new Nursery teacher.

## Multi Academy Trust

Thank you to those parents that attended the MAT meeting at St John's Church hall on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September.

Please note that the PowerPoint presentation and accompanying notes from the evening can be found on the school website. <http://www.hollandh.bham.sch.uk/> We will also be posting the questions and answers document that we referenced at the meeting as soon as this is finalised. We will of course endeavour to keep you informed of all developments as and when appropriate to do so.

We have today also added supporting materials for your reference that go some way to offering a balanced view about the pros and cons of academisation.

## Pupil Progress Evenings

The Pupil Progress Evenings are taking place as follows:

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 3.30pm - 5.30pm (For all years)

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October 3.30pm - 5.30pm (For all years)

You will be able to book this using our online booking system at [hollandhouse.parentseveningsystem.co.uk](http://hollandhouse.parentseveningsystem.co.uk) The booking system is now open for you to book your appointments and will remain open until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October. You will need to log in with the email address that you have registered with the school.

## Phonics and Reading Workshop

If you would like to help your child with Phonics/Reading there will be an opportunity for you to come into school and hear an important introduction for Reception aged children on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm.

## Individual School Photographs

Individual and sibling school photographs are taking place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like your child's photograph taken with a sibling who does not attend Holland House you are welcome to come to school from 8.20am.

## MacMillan Coffee Morning



Thank you to parents and carers who were able to join us for our MacMillan Coffee Morning. Your generous donations means we raised £115 for this very worthwhile cause.

### The article this term is Article 24:

**Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible healthcare. Safe water to drink, nutritious food and a safe environment.**

**OUTRIGHT** Speak out on children's rights



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The Unicef UK Rights Respecting School Award (RRSA) is based on the principles of equality, dignity, respect, non-discrimination and participation. At Holland House Infant School we believe the award will ensure our pupils grow into confident, caring and responsible young citizens, both in school and within the wider community. Look out for the article links throughout our newsletter. **Article of the Term:** The Rights Respecting Champions chose to focus on Article 22 "Children have the right to special protection and help if they are refugees". Children will be exploring the life of a refugee and talking about their rights.

## Twitter @HHbB72

Please follow us on Twitter, it is easy and it is a great way to see what we are learning about in school and what wonderful work is being undertaken in school as and when it happens.



## Ava Lovelace Day

This day was an opportunity in school for children to celebrate the achievements of women in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics).



Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> October was Ava Lovelace day and celebrated the life and achievements of this very remarkable woman.

Ava is acclaimed as the first ever computer programmer. We are confident that the children will be able to tell you all about Ava, her life and her accomplishments and those of other inspirational women in STEM.

Reception created their own counting machines, Year 1 created and tested algorithms to guide people to treasure on a map and Year 2 used ipads to create algorithms, develop and debug them using 'Scratch'!

## Black History Week 15<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> October

Next week welcomes Black History week in school. This is an annual commemoration of the history, achievements and contributions of black people in the UK. Although it is important to recognise that this celebration not only takes place in school during the week in October but it also threads through and underpins our school curriculum. Children across the school will be learning about inspirational black British men and women, such as Mary Seacole, Lilian Bader, John Edmonstone, Sir Learie Constantine and Phillis Wheatley.

Reception will be learning about Lilian Bader who was the first black woman to join the British Armed Forces, Year 1 will be exploring the life of Rosa Parkes as a significant individual and the theme of equality and Year 2 will be learning about Rosa Bridges who was the first African-American child to go to a white school.

## Gold Award

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that we have been awarded the Infant Gold Award through the Kingsbury Sports Partnership. This is in recognition of our commitment to Physical Education and Physical Activity including our clubs, the excellent provision we offer in school sports and our commitment to attending both intra-school and inter school competitions.

## Kingsbury Sport Partnership

We are also delighted to announce that we have been awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Place overall in the inter school competitions that we took part in last year on a leader board of 36 other schools. These include the 1<sup>st</sup> Place medals we received in athletics and gymnastics and the Silver medals that we won in football and multi-Sports. Look out for the competitions coming up soon. We will be looking for children to take part in a sports festival and a Year 2 Multi-Skills competition in the coming months.

## Visiting Speakers

Each Wednesday morning we invite visitors from the local community to join our Key Stage 1 assemblies.

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October we were visited by Carol, Malcolm and Helen from Duke Street Church who came to share our assembly with us. They acted out a parable from the Bible and taught us a new song.

The children really enjoyed their visit and are looking forward to their return after half term.

## Clubs

Our clubs have once again proved very popular but we still have a few remaining spaces for hockey so please pop into the school office if you are interested in signing up.

## Parent View

Although our in-school questionnaires capture your overwhelming positivity about Holland House it would be nice if parents/carers could take the time to follow the link below to complete an online parent view survey about Holland House available from (Ofsted), The Office for Standards in Education. The Governing Body and also the staff from Holland House would greatly appreciate you taking the time to complete this survey.

I am reliably informed that it only takes a few minutes to complete and that there is only a requirement for an email address upon registration. Then Ofsted and other parents/carers considering school places at Holland House can also share in our success and your positivity about our school.

The link to the website is <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/login?destination=give-your-views>

There is also a link to the Parent View page on our website. Many thanks!

# School Council

School council have met to elect the chair, vice chair and secretary. The following children were elected democratically for the following roles:

Chair – Emma

Vice Chair – Noah

Secretary – Ellie.

## The School Council for 2018 - 2019 is as follows:

Cody

Ellie

William

Evie

Noah

Molly-May

Emma

Erin

Reception pupils will join the school council later in the year.

# Harvest Festival

On Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October we shall be holding our Harvest Festival in school. As in previous years we are asking for donations of food which we will give to the foodbank based at Sutton Coldfield Baptist Church.

We would welcome donations of cans and packaged goods with long sell by dates (not fresh fruit and vegetables please) which can be brought into school on the day.

Many thanks in advance.



# School Improvement

- Boldmere Teaching School Alliance meeting.
- NBCM of school review meeting.
- Guided Reading Staff training.
- Social Skills Programme training for support staff.
- SENCO Network meeting.
- Senior Leadership Team review of School Evaluation.
- Senior Leadership Team review of School Improvement Plan.
- Pupil SEF undertaken.
- Learning behaviour walk by Senior Leadership Team.
- Data review meeting with Senior Leadership Team.
- Lesson observations.
- Policy annual review by governors.
- PTA Annual General Meeting (AGM)

# Bag2School

Following on from the success of last year the PTA have once again organised a Bag2School event on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November. Bags2School is a fundraising scheme using unwanted resources that everyone has in their homes. Bags2School works with schools to help us raise funds through donations of old clothes. They operate through the UK collecting and selling unwanted textiles and clothes to importers and wholesalers. Further details will be sent home via a PTA letter.

To find out more about this great project follow this link <https://bag2school.com/>

With very best wishes,

Mrs S Bradford  
Head Teacher



## School Attendance by Class



Each newsletter Hollie the Holland House owl will be giving a list of the attendance figures for each class. Please look out for when your child's class gets 100%. Well done to these classes.

### W/E Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dolphins	100%	<b>WELL DONE!</b>
Seals	94.7%	<b>OH DEAR!</b>
Puffins	96.6%	
Penguins	98.1%	
Seahorses	96.7%	
Turtles	96.8%	
Starfish	97%	

### W/E Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dolphins	98.7%	
Seals	96.7%	
Puffins	90.7%	
Penguins	100%	<b>WELL DONE!</b>
Seahorses	95.3%	
Turtles	93.6%	<b>OH DEAR!</b>
Starfish	96%	

## School Lates by Class

### W/E Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Starfish	1
Seahorses	3
Turtles	1
Penguins	0
Puffins	2
Dolphins	4
Seals	1

### W/E Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Starfish	1
Seahorses	1
Turtles	2
Penguins	0
Puffins	4
Dolphins	1
Seals	4

Please can I remind you about the importance of good punctuality. The School gates are open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am. After this time you child will receive a late mark. Being late is disruptive to the school day and adds up to lost learning. Please help your child to be punctual.

## Hollie the Holland House Owl Attendance Awards

### CONGRATULATIONS!!

Each week the class with the highest attendance gets a certificate presented in assembly this week's winners are:

W/E Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September - Dolphins 100% **WELL DONE!**


W/E Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October - Penguins 100% **WELL DONE!**

Well done to these classes!




# Week 1 beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Article 24: Every child has the right to nutritious food.



## YOUR MENU

Week ONE



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BBQ Cowboy Bake with Quorn Sausages(v)	Chinese Style Sticky Mango Chicken	Roast Turkey with Stuffing	Reggae Reggae Jerk Turkey Burger and Pineapple Salsa	Pizza Margherita (v)
Salmon and Sweetcorn Tortilla	Cheese and Onion Pasty(v)	Quorn Roast with Stuffing (v)	Vegetable Burger(v)	Battered Pollock Fillet
Wholemeal Pasta Garlic Slice Seasonal Vegetables	Egg Fried Rice Seasonal Vegetables	Roast or New Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Seasoned Wedges Seasonal Vegetables	Chunky Chips Baked Beans Seasonal Vegetables
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily				
Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily				
Fruit or Yoghurts	Cocoa Concrete	Fresh Fruit Salad or Jelly	Strawberry Cheesecake	Flavoured Ice Cream Tubs

ADDITIONAL MENU OPTIONS AVAILABLE DAILY


Vegetarian Options Available Daily.

For Any Allergen/Dietary Requirements Please Speak To The Catering Supervisor

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Holland House

# Week 2 beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018



## YOUR MENU

Week TWO



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetable Pancake Roll(v)	Hoi-Sin Chicken Stir Fry	Roast Chicken with Stuffing and Gravy	Lamb Keema Rogan Josh	Pizza Margherita (v)
Tomato Quorn Bolognese Pasta Bake(v)	Cannelloni with Tomato Sauce (v)	Spring Vegetable Quiche (v)	Bombay Potatoes with Lentil and Vegetable Curry Sauce (v)	Breaded Cod and Salmon Fish Cakes
Garlic Slice Coconut Rice Seasonal Vegetables	Egg Noodles Garlic Slice Seasonal Vegetables	New Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Pilau Rice Seasonal Vegetables	Chunky Chips Baked Beans Seasonal Vegetables
Fresh Seasonal Salad Bar Available Every Day With Bread Baked Fresh Daily				
Selection Of Fresh Fruit & Yogurts Available Daily				
Cocoa Hedgehogs	Cocoa Mousse	Banana Muffin	Yoghurts or Fruit Jellies	Ice Cream

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