

HOLDEN LANE PRIMARY NEWS

"Working Together, Learning for Life"



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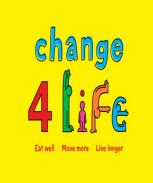
Thursday 20th October 2022

NORTH STOKE CHANGE4LIFE

Very well done to our Year 6 pupils who attended Excel Academy on Monday to take part in a sports leadership programme as part of North Stoke Change4Life.
They took part in a range of Change4life activities organised by Mr Edwards and the Excel Academy Sports Leaders. The activities included parachute games and ball skills.
The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and they all displayed excellent sportsmanship and conduct.
They demonstrated outstanding teamwork and were keen to work with the students from Excel to develop their leadership skills.

Very well done to all the pupils involved for representing Holden Lane with pride and making us all very proud.





PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING ~ OUR THANKS

Thank you to all the parents and carers that joined us for our Parent Consultation Evening last week. We were so pleased to see you and welcome you into school to discuss your child's progress and areas for future development. If you were unable to attend, please see your child's teacher, who will be very happy to arrange a suitable alternative appointment time.

Many thanks also to all the parents that completed our school questionnaire. We very much value your thoughts on how to continue to develop and improve our school.



HALF TERM BREAK

School closes today for the Half Term break. We wish all the children and their families a very happy half term and look forward to seeing you all when school re-opens on **Monday 31st October**.

Doors will be open from 8.45am. Please ensure that your child is in school bright and early so that they can start their learning at 9am prompt.

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Please note that school is closed tomorrow for staff training.



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK TO MRS HEASMAN

This half term, we are saying goodbye and wishing the very best of luck to Mrs Heasman who is leaving our school to begin a new life in Yorkshire. We would like to sincerely thank Mrs Heasman for her dedicated service to our school. Her commitment to Holden Lane has been greatly appreciated and we wish her all the very best for the future.



YEAR 5 FRIENDSHIP ASSEMBLY ~ VERY WELL DONE!

Many thanks to all the families that joined us to share our Year 5 class assembly on Wednesday. We would like to congratulate our super Year 5 children for performing such a fabulous assembly and making us smile whilst sharing their special messages about the importance of friendship. They worked as a team, sang beautifully and delivered their parts exceptionally well.

What a wonderful way to start the day! Well done Year 5, you are a credit to our school and we are very proud of you all!











ATTENDANCE CELEBRATION

The attendance success of our children will be celebrated after half term. We will be awarding our attendance badges and certificates for this half term.

Our attendance for this half term is 94.8%.

The target for all Stoke-on-Trent schools is 96%.

We need to keep working really hard to reach our target, eliminate Persistent
Absence and reduce the amount of children arriving late.

Please support us by making sure that the children arrive at school on time to ensure that they are in class by 9 o'clock ready for their learning. Doors open at 8.45am.

Your support is greatly appreciated.



NON-UNIFORM DAY FUNDRAISER — OUR THANKS

Very well done to all the children who have taken part in today's non-uniform fundraising event.

The School Council have chosen to raise money for Cheadle Animal Welfare who are a small, local charity that provide support to help stray and abandoned dogs and cats.

We have raised a super total of £149.49 and would like to thank all of the children that have taken part.

Thank you for your continued support!



STAFF TRAINING DAY FRIDAY 21st OCTOBER

Please note that school is closed on FRIDAY 21st OCTOBER for staff training.



PLAY EQUIPMENT ~ REMINDER

We politely request that parents and carers discourage their children from using the outdoor play equipment on the school playgrounds before and after school as staff supervision is required as part of our risk assessment procedures. Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping keep everyone safe at Holden Lane.



For safety reasons this play equipment can only be used under School staff supervision





SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCH GLORIOUSLY MESSY

Families are warmly invited to 'Gloriously Messy', a fun event for all the family, led by Saint Andrew's Church at the INDI Club, Ralph Drive. From 4.30pm to 6pm on 20th November and 11th December, there will be crafts, games, activities, songs and interactive talks, concluding with a meal. For more information email: sarah@standrewssneydgreen.com or telephone 07888669233.

NON-UNIFORM DAY FUNDRAISER FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER CHILDREN IN NEED

We are holding our annual non-uniform fundraising day on Friday 18th November to raise money for Children in Need. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes, in spotty clothes or dressed as Pudsey Bear in exchange for a small donation to the charity. We hope that everyone will get involved to help less fortunate children and their families.

Thank you for your continued support.





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:

- Thursday 20th October ~ School closes for Half Term
- ♦ Friday 21st October ~ SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
- Monday 31st October ~ School opens for pupils after Half Term
- Friday 18th November ~ Children in Need Non-uniform Day
- Thursday 15th December ~ School closes for end of Autumn Term 2022
- Tuesday 3rd January ~ School opens for Spring Term 2023
- Friday 17th February ~ School closes for Half Term
- Monday 27th February ~ School opens for pupils
- Friday 31st March ~ School closes for end of Spring Term 2023
- Monday 17th April ~ School opens for Summer Term 2023
- Monday 1st May ~ School closed for BANK HOLIDAY
- ♦ Monday 8th May 2023 ~ Key Stage 2 SATs Week
- Friday 26th May ~ School closes for Half Term
- Monday 5th June ~ School opens for pupils
- Friday 21st July ~ School closes for end of Summer Term 2023
- ♦ Monday 24th July ~ SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
- ♦ Tuesday 25th July ~ SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING

