



# HOLDEN LANE PRIMARY NEWS

“Working Together, Learning for Life”



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## WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

A huge well done to all the children and staff who came to school dressed as characters from their favourite books or in their pyjamas for story time to celebrate World Book Day yesterday. We had a fabulous day as everyone enjoyed taking part in a range of activities to promote the joy of reading and a love of books. The children and staff enjoyed the experience of sharing books and worked together to carry out a class author study. The range of authors studied included Roald Dahl, JK Rowling and Anthony Browne. Each child has received a World Book Day voucher which can be exchanged for a book of their choice in a range of shops until Sunday 26th March.

Daily reading with an adult makes such a huge difference and we are very grateful to all the parents and carers who continue to support reading development in our school. Well done to everyone for celebrating World Book Day and the joy of reading!

Enjoy your new book and enjoy sharing it with your family!



## YEAR 5 VISIT THE PEAK DISTRICT

Year 5 visited Buxton and Leek this week to enrich their learning about rivers. They carried out a study of the River Dane with the expert staff from Stanley Head Outdoor Education Centre. They braved the great outdoors to carry out a range of investigations. They visited the source of the river and examined the effects of erosion. They worked together to calculate the speed of the river flow and took measurements to investigate the depth. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and showed great enthusiasm for their learning.

Well done Year 5—you have made us all very proud.



## PARENT CONSULTATION EVENING WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH 2023

Parent Consultation Evening will take place on **Wednesday 8th March** from 3.30pm to 7pm. This is an opportunity for you to come into school to discuss your child's progress and development areas. We will be operating the usual appointment system to enable parents time with their child's teachers. Letters were sent out before half term. We hope that all parents will attend. Thank you for your continued support.

Parent  
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## ATTENDANCE CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Families are warmly invited to join us to celebrate the attendance success of our children. We will be awarding our attendance awards and certificates for last Half Term and would be delighted if families would come along to share this special assembly.

**NURSERY, RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2 ~ TUESDAY 7th MARCH at 9.10am**

**KEY STAGE TWO ~ WEDNESDAY 8th MARCH at 9.10am**

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

**DOORS ARE OPEN FROM 8.45AM!**

Thank you for your continued support.



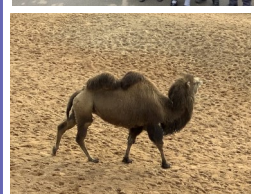
## RECEPTION VISIT CHESTER ZOO

A **HUGE** well done to our fantastic Reception children who visited Chester Zoo on Tuesday. They had a wonderful day and thoroughly enjoyed learning all about all the different animals. The children as always were an absolute credit to our school and Mr Gibson was extremely proud of each and every child for their outstanding behaviour and positive attitude to learning. They were very excited and showed great interest and enthusiasm. They were absolutely thrilled to meet all the different creatures and found out many amazing facts about them to support their learning back at school. Their favourite animals included the elephants, giraffes, camels and lions.

Well done Reception, we are very proud of you all!

Many thanks also to the volunteers who gave of their time so generously to support the visit.

Your support is greatly appreciated by the staff and children.





### PARKING AND DRIVING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We would like to express our sincere thanks to our parent fundraising group and Councillor Joanne Powell-Beckett for providing the funds to enable the school to purchase our new traffic calming sign and parking buddies. Please look out for the new parking buddies outside the school gates. We ask that all parents park away from the school and walk to the school gates in order to keep our families safe.

**As always, the safety of our children and families remains our highest priority. Please park and drive responsibly to keep the journey to and from school safe for everyone!**

Please note that we are relying on the cooperation of parents and carers to drive responsibly in order to keep our school community safe.  
Thank you for your support and cooperation.



### REPORTING ABSENCE

If your child is absent from school, please inform the school office on 01782 234890. Thank you for your continued support.



**No mobile phones**

### MOBILE PHONES

We would like to remind parents and carers that we do not allow children to bring mobile phones to school. This policy ensures that loss, damage and inappropriate use of the phone during the school day is prevented. We would very much appreciate your support in ensuring that mobile phones are left at home.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

### NON-UNIFORM DAY FUNDRAISER — OUR THANKS

Very well done to all the children who took part in our non-uniform fundraising event to raise money for our chosen school charity, the Guide Dogs for the Blind Association. We raised a super total of £148.50 and would like to thank all of the children that took part.

Thank you all for helping others!  
We very much appreciate your support!



### NON-UNIFORM DAY FUNDRAISER FRIDAY 17th MARCH RED NOSE DAY FOR COMIC RELIEF

We are holding a non-uniform fundraising day on Friday 17th March to raise money for Comic Relief. Children are invited to come to school in their own clothes wearing red or a red nose in exchange for a small donation to the charity.

We hope that everyone will get involved to show support for this year's campaign.

Thank you for your continued support.



### SCHOOL UNIFORM — SPRING TERM 2023

We would be very grateful if parents and carers would continue to support us by ensuring that your child attends school in the correct school uniform to reinforce our high standards. This includes their shirt, tie, school jumper and sensible black shoes.

Please note that trainers, shoes with heels, purple sweatshirts and polo-shirts are not part of our uniform. Please support us to ensure that each and every child feels proud to be part of Holden Lane Primary School. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.



### SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us to find out more about how to support your child's learning at home. Please join Mrs Condliffe in the school hall during Parent Consultation Evening on Wednesday 8th March. Mrs Condliffe will be demonstrating a range of straightforward ideas to support children with their reading, writing and mathematics skills. Please come along with your child and have a go at the activities on offer.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

- ◆ Tuesday 7th March ~ Attendance Celebration Assembly for Nursery, Reception, Y1 and Y2 at 9.10am
- ◆ Wednesday 8th March ~ Attendance Celebration Assembly for Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 at 9.10am
- ◆ Wednesday 8th March ~ Parent Consultation Evening
- ◆ Friday 17th March ~ Red Nose Day Non-uniform Day
- ◆ Friday 31st March ~ Charity Fundraiser Non-uniform Day
- ◆ 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 ~ BANK HOLIDAY**
- ◆ **Tuesday 9th 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**

