# Website:Hollymountschool.org

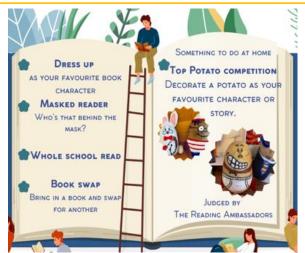


Welcome back to the final half of the Spring Term. The week treated us with some beautiful sunny weather.

Please do ensure children continue to bring a coat to school. It may be sunny but it is still cold and UK weather is always changeable. Wherever possible, we like to get children outside – even if it is raining a bit!

# A reminder please to check that EVERY ITEM OF CLOTHING is NAMED.

Every day we have lost coats, jumpers and blazers. If it is named, we can have it returned within minutes. Without, it joins a pile of clothes some of which are never claimed. We will continue to hold regular opportunities where you can come and check for lost items (look out for text messages) but anything unclaimed by Easter will be washed and join our 2<sup>nd</sup> hand stock or be given to charity.



## World Book Day

Lots of great reading activities are planned for Thursday – dressing up, although fun, is optional!

**Year 3 –** you will still be swimming so please have a costume which is practical. NO HAIR DYE, FACE PAINT OR MAKE-UP! The pool will not let you in!

If you are joining in with the decorating potato competition, please have all entries in by 9am on Thursday. Thank-you



## Week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> March Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

**Clubs:** computing; multi-skills; hockey

## Tuesday 4th March

Year 5 swimming

Clubs: football, cricket, choir,

drama, yoga, forest school

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday 6th March

## WORLD BOOK DAY

Year 3 swimming

Family learning 1pm

Clubs: gardening, art, lego, dance,

music

Friday 7th March

Year 3 History workshop – all day at school

## Parents' Survey

Thank-you if you have completed the survey.

You have one last chance today to do so – the survey will close tomorrow at 12pm so that results can be analysed and shared with parents and the Governing body.

Follow this link:

PARENT SURVEY SPRING 2025



PROUD TO BE ME

ENJOY LEARNING ACHIEVE SUCCESS RESPECT FOR THE

WORLD

#### Website:Hollymountschool.org

Hollymountschool



#### **Keeping Children Safe**

Safeguarding and Family Support

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs S Ricketts Deputy Safeguarding Leads: Mrs A Donnelly Mrs R Hussain Pastoral/ behaviour leads: Mr Ryan

#### **Special Educational Needs:**

Mrs E Davis-Lloyd (SENDCO) Mrs L Montgomery (Inclusion lead)

If you have a concern about a child or wish to speak about any worries, please see one of our team. They can signpost families to additional support, if it is required.

Anyone can make a referral to Children's services. <u>Children's Social Care</u> Worcestershire County Council

In an emergency, always ring 999.

#### Keeping Children Safe Online

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure children are safe in day to-day life and online. Please check your child's online activity,

• Check game age advisory notices

• Limit children's time spent online

• Set filters so that inappropriate material is blocked

• Keep phones, tablets etc. out of bedrooms

#### <u>Attendance</u>

Year group	Week beginning 24/02/25	This Term	This Academic Year
Reception	90.5	93.4%	94.3%
Year 1	91.1	90.3%	92.7%
Year 2	93.3	92.7%	92.3%
Year 3	89.8	91.8%	93.8%
Year 4	90	92.9%	94.5%
Year 5	94.2	94%	93.9%
Year 6	92.4	92.1%	94.6%
Whole School (Rec - Y6)	91.6%	92.5%	93.7%

INSPIRING SUCCESS

#### <u>Year 6</u>

Tomorrow – 3<sup>rd</sup> March – is high school allocation day. If you applied for a school **online** by the October deadline, you will receive an email but you do not need to wait for this and can access the information via the online portal from tomorrow morning. **You need to respond to the allocation via the portal by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March.** 

If you applied late, or via paper form, you should also receive an email tomorrow but his could be delayed. The email will have a letter attached with your child's allocation. A response form is on this letter.

If you have any questions, or problems accessing the information please call admissions, not school; we do not hold the information you need. Please be aware, they are likely to be extremely busy for the next few days.

#### School Admissions: 01905 822700

#### <u>Clubs</u>

If your child applied for a club (by the deadline) he/ she should have come home with a letter on Friday with their allocation. Clubs were given out as fairly as possible with 60% of pupils from Reception – Year 6 asking for, and being allocated, a space. Please check your child's club letter and look at the timetable of clubs above. All clubs run from 3.15 – 4pm. Collect children from the middle entrance to the school.

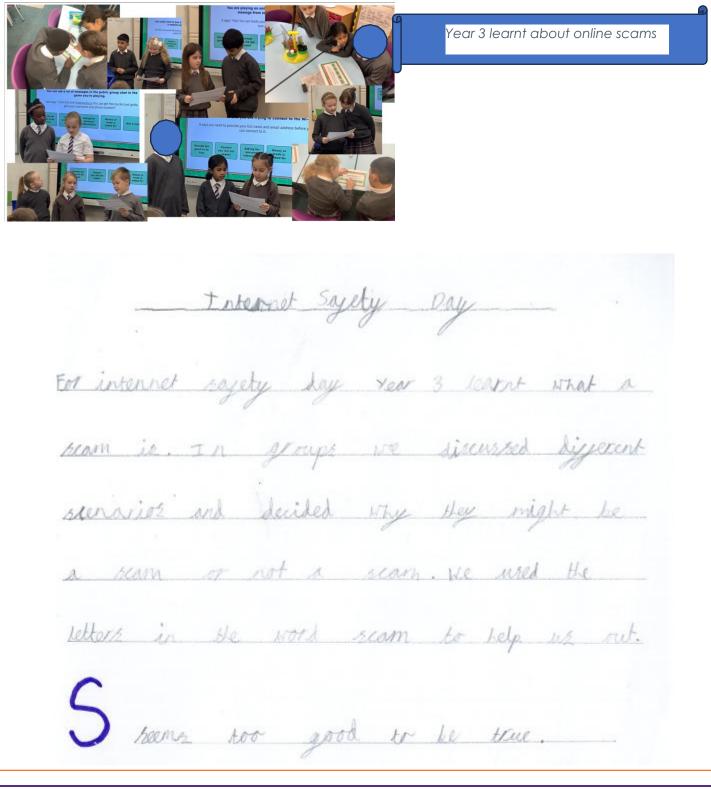
Children in Year 5 and 6 may walk home alone IF they do so regularly or permission is given at the office. All other children must be collected by an adult. Thank-you Website:Hollymountschool.org Hollymountschool



## Online Safety

Staying safe online is a daily feature of all children's learning. We hope it is a regular conversation at home too.

Just before half-term, all children had an extra focus in class about staying safe and we wanted to share some of their work with you.









#### **Reception – Online Safety**



In reception we read the story of Smartie the Penguin. There were different scenarios where Smartie was playing games on his tablet when an ad popped up, a different game opened and other players said unkind things in a game chat. We told Smartie to ask his parents for help, rather than clicking on buttons he doesn't know. We have learnt to always ask our grown ups for help if we are in these situations.

After the story and discussion we played a memory game. Finding two of the same pictures showing us what information we should never share with a stranger like: our address, our birthday, the name of our school, a place we go to and a password.

Website:Hollymountschool.org Hollymountschool

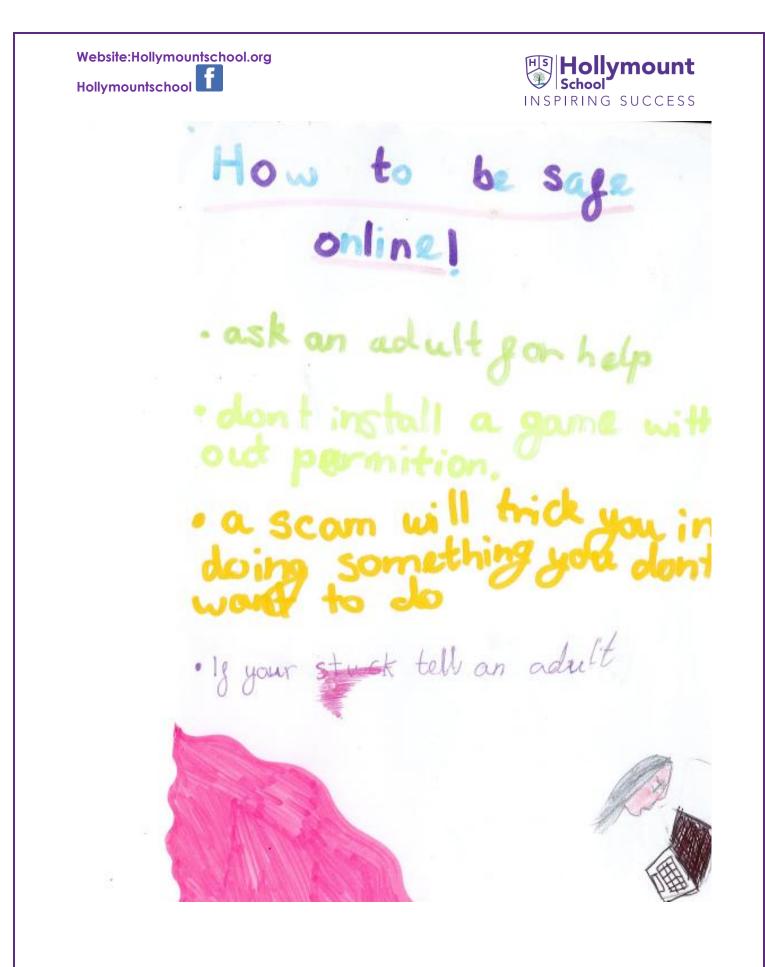


Year 4 - 2KD



In 2KD, we were reactivated out knowledge of how to keep our personal profiles and spent time taking about how, sometimes, people may try to 'scam' us. We identified the kinds of things we need to look out for and then explored 'phishing'. In teams, we sorted different scenarios according to whether they were showed elements of 'phishing'.

sighs to look out 5 ounds boogood boke Juce 0 Contact you didn't expect. Benerel Part you know deal Asks gor personal iso Money or buck esked gos hen you are Sonna - Chateneje F#+A afor more playing a year will a under meaning and anece you don't liquin anylog "year woon a apple i pad, put your aldress in ad dair M which one do you choose?







# HAVE YOU ORDERED YOUR CHILD'S LUNCH FOR NEXT WEEK? IF NOT, PLEASE DO SO VIA SQUID STILL THIS WEEK.

## What is my child learning? How can I help?

All children have access to age-appropriate educational websites. You will find their usernames and passwords for these in their reading diaries. If you have any problems, please speak to your child's class teacher. Three key sites are:







You will find links to appropriate sites on the school website, year group page. PLEASE help your child to use these regularly. They will make such a difference to their reading and maths fluency and help a child feel confident in their own abilities.

