

Holdbrook Messenger

Friday 24th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you've all had a lovely week. We've come to the end of this half term after a very busy few days!

This week, our Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a cyber-safety workshop delivered by the police. It was a fascinating and valuable session that the children engaged with brilliantly. Our younger pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 also enjoyed a visit from *Little City*, where they had a wonderful time dressing up and taking part in different role-play activities.

We rounded off the week with our celebration assembly—please take a look below to see this week's award winners!

Year 6 also had an exciting trip to the White Water Centre, where they met some athletes, watched them train, and even took part in their own kayaking session. You can see a photo of the class below before they set off on the water.

I'd like to share an important update about Breakfast Club. From now on, bookings will be made weekly. The booking system will open each Friday at 4pm for the following week. For the week after half term (beginning Monday, 3rd November), bookings will open next Friday at 4pm (31st October). Spaces are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, and we kindly ask that you let the office know if you no longer require a space so it can be offered to another child.

This week also marked Diwali. To all our families who celebrated, I hope you enjoyed a wonderful time of light and celebration together.

Next week is half term—I hope you all have a restful and peaceful break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on **Monday, 3rd November**.

Michael Mackey
Headteacher

Other information:

All clubs have started. SPACES AVAILABLE. Club details have been emailed out to parents and carers.

Any questions please contact the school office.

Breakfast Club: We open at 8am. Choice of breakfast. NO COST! Sign up on Parent Gateway.

MAX 30 places, if not booked call the office!!!

After School Club: Our ASC runs each day until 5.45pm. A light snack and lots of activities. £6 - sibling discount available.

Uniform reminder: *Please can I ask that children wear the correct uniform. In particular the correct jumper and plain black trainers or shoes. Thank you!*

SAFEGUARDING:

If you have any concerns for the safety and well-being of any child, please contact a member of our safeguarding team. The safeguarding leads are Mr Mackey, Mrs Turner, Ms Bull & Mrs Englefield.

Reading Award	Writing Award	Holdbrook Hero
Y1 Uzayr	Y1 Lea	Y1 Ama
Y2 Aisha	Y2 Ahnaf	Y2 Yunus
Y3 Keziah	Y3 Waseem	Y3 Kaitlyn
Y4 Ollie & Jolene	Y4 Lydia B	Y4 Leyana
Y5 Michelle T	Y5 Ayesha	Y5 Henry
Y6 Safa	Y6 Mason	Y6 Elif Su

Well done to everyone! 😊

Hardworking
Organised
Listeners
Determined
Brave
Resilient
Optimistic
Open Hearted
Kind
Honest
Empathetic
Respectful
Ourselves

Be Co-operative
Be Curious
Be Caring
Be Confident



Top attendance: Y4 – 99.7%
School attendance this week:
96.2% (School target: 97%)

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Year 6 at the White Water Centre



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Key Dates

Date	Event
3 rd Nov	Children return to school following the half term break.
14 th Nov	Children in Need Day – Non School Uniform Day - £1 donation
19 th Nov	Parents Evening for Year 2, Year 3 and Year 6.
20 th Nov	Parents Evening for Year 1 Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.
20 th Nov	Parents Evening for Reception Parents/Carers
27 th Nov	Christmas Bonanza 3.45pm - 5.45pm
28 th Nov	INSET Day – School closed
10 th & 11 th Dec	Art Exhibition Week
12 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
16 th Dec	EYFS Christmas Nativity
17 th Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
17 th Dec	Performance Poetry
19 th Dec	Last Day of Term – School finishes at 1.15pm.

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

Breakfast Club

Please make sure you have booked your place.

BOOKINGS ARE NOW WEEKLY.

BOOK FROM FRIDAY 4PM FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

If you haven't booked, please call the office on the day. If you turn up please come with your child to the office and speak to the office staff.

Many thanks!

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Reminders

Please refrain from using your mobile phone on the school site when dropping off or collecting your child.



We have lots of children in our school with allergies. Please refrain from sending in nuts, chocolate or food with sesame seeds in. THANK YOU!

Healthy Pack Lunches

Please can you ensure that your child has a healthy, balanced lunch box.



No chocolate, nuts or fizzy drinks.

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NEW
**PARENTING
REAL TALK**



FREE
Parenting
group

Real talk **with** real people,
**a friendly group to listen and support the
highs and lows of parenting.**



Let's chat about all things parenting over a tea, coffee,
cake or biscuit!

When : 5th November 2025
19th November 2025

Where : Tesco Community Room , Brookfield

Time : 1.00pm - 2.15pm



No need to book. Just turn up..

We'll pop the kettle on!



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