

Holdbrook Messenger

Friday 13th February 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a good week. We finished the half term off with an extremely busy week. On Tuesday the whole school gathered together for an assembly about Safer Internet Day. The assembly was led by Mr F and this year's theme was based around the safe use of AI and how we use it without even knowing.

On Wednesday we met again for a whole school assembly with Miss Stevens for children's mental health week. We linked this year's theme with our class promises. Each year group spent some time creating and agreeing to their class promises and each class has them displayed in their classroom.

Friday was also a busy day with our celebration assembly and in the afternoon we had our Holdbrook Valentine's Day Cake Shop, where all the classes had cake and biscuits as a reward for all of their hard work.

On page 2 there are all the key dates which were shared in a separate letter earlier in the week.

Thank you for all of your support and we look forward to seeing you back in school after the half term break on Tuesday 24th February.

Michael Mackey
Headteacher

Other information:

All clubs have started. SPACES AVAILABLE. Clubs 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 & Mrs Englefield.

Reading Award	Writing Award	Holdbrook Hero
Rec Bella	Rec Penelope	Rec Roman
Y1 Bianca	Y1 Neymar	Y1 Yasha
Y2 Callum	Y2 Francie	Y2 Rayan
Y3 Kaitlyn	Y3 Hakeem	Y3 Richard
Y4 Leyla	Y4 Derin	Y4 Leyanna
Y5 Bulut	Y5 Patrick	Y5 Tiana
Y6 Denis	Y6 Yassin	Y6 Sema
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: Yr 6 – 97.6%
School attendance this week: 95.1% (School target: 97%)

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Key Dates

Date	Information
Friday 13 th February 2026	Last day of the half term. School finishes at 3.15pm
Monday 23 rd February 2026	INSET Day – School closed to the children
Thursday 5 th March 2026	World Book Day – more information to follow
Wednesday 11 th March 2026	Parents Evening (Y2, Y4, Y5 & Y6) – more information to follow
Thursday 12 th March 2026	Parents Evening (Rec, Y1, Y3 & Y6) – more information to follow
Thursday 19 th March 2026	Art Exhibition after school – more information to follow
Friday 20 th March 2026	Red Nose Day – more information to follow
Friday 27 th March 2026	Last Day of the Spring Term – 1.15pm finish
Monday 13 th April 2026	Children return to school for the Summer Term 1
Monday 4 th May 2026	Bank Holiday – school closed
Friday 22 nd May 2026	Last day of the half term. School finishes at 3.15pm
Monday 1 st June 2026	Children return to school for Summer Term 2
Friday 19 th June 2026	INSET Day – School closed to children
Tuesday 21 st July 2026	Last day of the Summer Term. School finishes at 1.15pm

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Reminders

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

Breakfast Club

Please make sure you have booked your place. If you haven't 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!

Please do not use your mobile phone on our school site, when dropping off or collecting your child. This is in line with our Safeguarding Policy.



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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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The poster is for "Spring Inspired Kid Crafts" and features a yellow background. At the top, the CHEXS logo is displayed. Below it, the title "Spring Inspired" is written in a large, pink, cursive font, with "Kid Crafts" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. A row of colorful flowers separates the title from the text below. A white box contains the text: "If you would like to book a space on our **FREE Spring Craft session** then please scan the QR code." An arrow points from this text to a QR code. Below the QR code is a red ribbon graphic. To the left of the ribbon is a grid of six images showing children's craft projects: a yellow chick, a blue chick, a yellow chick, a colorful striped object, a "WELCOME" sign, and a white bunny. To the right of the ribbon, the text reads: "Sessions run from Tuesday 2nd March to Wednesday 25th March 3.30 - 4.30pm". At the bottom, a white box contains the text: "ALL Children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment". Below this box is the "COMMUNITY FUND" logo and the text: "Direct link to book: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/chexs>".

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