

# Holdbrook Messenger

Friday 1st May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The last two weeks has been full of exciting experiences and wonderful achievements across the school.

Our Year 4 and Year 5 children had the fantastic opportunity to attend a White Water Centre session, where they demonstrated great enthusiasm, teamwork and resilience. It was a brilliant day out, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the challenge and adventure.

In Nursery, the children took part in a drama workshop. They had lots of fun exploring storytelling, movement and expression, building their confidence and creativity along the way.

We are also delighted to celebrate the many children who have achieved the Book of Excellence this week. Lots in Reception and Year 1, where pupils have been recognised for their beautiful handwriting. In Year 6, several children have been awarded for their exceptional writing, showcasing impressive creativity and skill.

Our extra-curricular clubs have now started, and there are still some places available. All clubs are free of charge, so we encourage families to sign up and take advantage of these fantastic opportunities. The children who have attended this week, really enjoyed them.

Well done to everyone for their hard work and achievements!

Michael Mackey - Headteacher

### Other information:

**After school clubs have started.**

**PLEASE NOTE ALL EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS**

**WILL BE FREE!**

**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 Melania	Rec Olivia	Rec Helin
Y1 Otis	Y1 Uzayr	Y1 Shopithan
Y2 Jesse	Y2 Maame	Y2 Yunus
Y3 Marcelina	Y3 Xander	Y3 Myra
Y4 Mira	Y4 Lydia B	Y4 Arian
Y5 Michelle T	Y5 Artem	Y5 Ida
Y6 Kemi	Y6 Mason	Y6 Jamie-Leigh

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 4 – 97.9%**

**Well done Year 4.**

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## Key Dates

Date	Information
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Bank Holiday – school closed
11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Year 6 KS2 SATS Week
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	Last day of the half term. School finishes at 3.15pm
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Children return to school for Summer Term 2
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	INSET Day – School closed to children
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Sports Day (Timings will be confirmed but it will be in the morning)
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026	Last day of the Summer Term. School finishes at 1.15pm

## 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 child has a healthy, balanced lunch box.*



*No chocolate, nuts, sesame seeds or fizzy drinks.*

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