Holyhead Newsletter November 2024

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As we enter the second part of the Autumn term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on our journey thus far and share some important updates with you.

Firstly, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all families who participated in our recent parents' evening. Your engagement is invaluable to us as we work together to support your children's education and well-being. We appreciate the commitment you have shown, and we encourage you to continue this open dialogue as it greatly enhances our partnership.

This term, we have placed a strong emphasis on home learning through the Century platform, which has been warmly received by our families. We are excited to announce that we will soon reveal the winners of our home learning initiative. Thank you for encouraging your children to engage with this valuable resource.

I would like to remind all families of the importance of good regular attendance. Consistent attendance is crucial to ensuring that your children do not experience gaps in their learning. We kindly ask for your continued support in this matter.

Moreover, we have received some concerns regarding the usage of WhatsApp groups among our pupils outside of school. We have addressed this issue with our students, emphasising the significance of online safety and the age-appropriateness of applications such as WhatsApp. Our discussions included the topics of online bullying, how to stay safe, and the importance of kindness in digital interactions. We seek your support in ensuring that your children apply this knowledge at home by monitoring their digital interactions, including checking who they are communicating with, the content of those conversations, and the amount of time spent online.

In positive news, we have an update regarding the Sandwell HAF vouchers scheme. We are pleased to inform you that these vouchers will be distributed again next week. The vouchers will cover the Holidays in October, December, and February, amounting to a total of £120 per child. If you believe you are eligible for this support, either through Pupil Premium or due to having no access to public funds, please do not hesitate to contact the school office for further assistance.

As we approach the end of the term, please be reminded that we have a busy schedule ahead, please see below for dates for the diary over the next few weeks. We encourage you to look at our Facebook page for pictures from various opportunities and to stay informed about important upcoming dates.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we work together to provide the best for your children.



Dates for your diary



9th December 2024 – Selected children – Choir at Wednesbury Town Hall 10th December 2024 – After school HEN children performance to parents @ 2:30pm 11th December 2024 – Christmas in the forest with Santa-Information to follow 11th December 2024 – Christmas dinner day 11th December 2024 – Christmas in the Forest with Santa and reindeers 12th December 2024 – Christmas Jumper day 12th December 2024 – Year 5 & 6 trip to see Pantomime 13th December 2024 – Tiny Two's & Nursery Trip to Lower Drayton Farm 16th December 2024 – EYFS & KS1 Nativity play 1:30pm-Performance to year 1 & 2 families only 17th December 2024 – Tiny Two's Christmas crafts 17th December 2024 – Year 1 & 2 trip to Birmingham Hippodrome 'Jingle Claw' 18th December 2024 – EYFS & KS1 Nativity play 9:30am – **Performance to EYFS** families only 19th December 2024 – KS2 Christmas Carols 9:30am & 2:30pm-Information to follow 20th December 2024 – Break up for Christmas at 1pm

Please keep a look out for any changes or added events on our Facebook page & Website.

