



Holywell Primary School

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We are a learning community with the spirit to succeed

Friday 14 January 2022

Dear Parents & Carers

I would like to start by wishing you all a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. I have no doubt 2022 will bring its own challenges but I am sure that we are equipped as a school community to deal with this.

It seems fitting that our focus for the half term is on "Resilience" from our School Charter. In our Whole School Assembly on Friday we talked about what it means to be resilient and in particular we talked about 'Never giving up', 'Encouraging each other', and 'Aim for excellence'. I am looking forward to speaking to our pupils in a few weeks' time about their own resilience and coping strategies.

Safety Around School

I was shocked to hear this week that a car on Tolpits Lane had hit one of our pupils. Thankfully, the pupil is absolutely fine and has now returned to school, but I must reiterate to parents that they and their children should ensure that they use the pedestrian crossing on Tolpits Lane at all times. In addition, they must also use the Green Cross Code when crossing the road even though they are using the pedestrian crossing. Cars travel at high speeds down Tolpits Lane and it only takes a second's lapse of concentration from a driver to cause an accident. Parents dropping their children and parking on the double yellow lines also causes a hazard for other road users and pedestrians. I have written to our Local Councillor, Nigel Bell about this accident and have requested extra notifications to warn motorists of the school, reduced speed limits around school and we will also teach pupils again about road safety and how to ensure that they can do everything possible to keep themselves safe.

COVID

We have had a rise in the number of positive cases in school and especially in Year 6. We have asked that parents test their children yesterday and this morning. Year 6, who were in one bubble because of their boosters, are now back in two bubbles. We do not want parents to feel anxious about this; we are merely wanting to do everything we can to ensure the safety of everyone. If your child is well, they should be in school as normal. We will remain in bubbles for the next week and keep a close eye on the number of cases. Self-isolation guidance has changed recently and we will update you again next week. We will keep you informed about the latest guidance at all times.

School Start Times

Just a reminder to parents that the school gates open at 8:45 am each morning. The bell rings at 8:50 for those pupils that are here but everyone should be in class by 8:55 when school starts.

Clubs

Our morning and after school clubs have started this week. Although the majority of Afternoon Clubs are well attended, we still have places for the Wednesday afternoon Dodgeball and Thursday Y3 & 4 Football Clubs. We also have a few places available for the morning clubs. Please sign up for a club via the School Money on-line Payment system if your child would like to come along.



Owl Visit

All children and staff in school enjoyed an owl visit on Wednesday morning. There were different types of owls from the UK and all around the world. They sat on perches at the front of the hall while their handlers explained interesting owl facts. Some owls then took part in flying displays. This was tremendously exciting, as owls were flying very low and just above the children's heads! Photographs of all children with a barn owl sitting on their shoulder will be available to buy in the next two weeks as a memento of the experience.



Cooking Club

On Wednesday, Year 4 took part in their first Cooking Club. We made fruit skewers using apples, bananas, strawberries, grapes and nectarines. We learnt the importance of food hygiene, cleanliness and the use of the correct chopping board. We all took turns to practice the bridge and claw grip to cut the fruit.



Football Match

Unfortunately, our scheduled football match against Fairfield did not take place this week even though we were ready and all warmed up: we will try to reschedule the match.

STAR & CHARTER CERTIFICATES

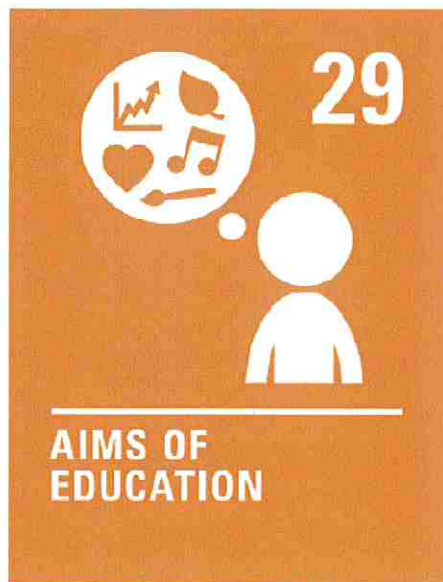
	Star Learner of the Week	Charter Certificate
Reception		
Sycamore	Makanaka	Ahmed
Hawthorn	Joseph	Tayla-Rose
Hazel	Ellie	Amelia
Rowan	Sarah	Esther
Cedar	Natasha	Khaira
Mulberry	Kaleem	Amina
Chestnut	Jaida	Harley
Elder	Dilan	Elif
Birch	Margarida	And
Elm	Rayya	Hannah

UNICEF ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

ARTICLE 29- AIMS OF EDUCATION

The start of a new year is often a time for looking at our lives and making promises to ourselves. The UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is a list of promises from world leaders to all the children and young people of the world.

Why do you think education is a central part of that promise? Why does it matter so much?



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UNITED KINGDOM



RIGHTS
RESPECTING
SCHOOLS

Article 29 – Goals of education

Education must develop every child's personality, talents and abilities to the full. It must encourage the child's respect for human rights, as well as respect for their parents, their own and other cultures, and the environment.

Education matters because it helps children and young people to:

- Learn how to be safe and healthy
- Be part of a community
- Meet people, play and make friends
- Develop new ways of learning (such as online learning)
- Learn ways to support each other through hard times
- Feel included and have a voice
- Access healthy food in schools
- Prepare for adult life and work
- Learn about wellbeing and mental health
- Find out more about different cultures and traditions
- Learn how to work as part of a team
- Develop their personality
- Learn how to develop their talents and abilities
- Become independent
- Learn about the world we live in
- Learn about their rights
- Learn about school subjects like English, maths and science

Article 29-Aims of Education.

Our students' views about Article 29-Aims of Education.

EDUCATION

ARTICLE 29 | UNCRPD 29 | UNICEF

ARTICLE
29

Every child should have access to all
Education and develop their abilities with it.

UNCRP 28

Everyone has the right to education no matter
what disability they have.

English

OA BS CC
JD VE JF

VI + IV = <u>MATH</u>

$$1 + 1 = 2$$

$$2 + 2 = 4$$

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For Every Child

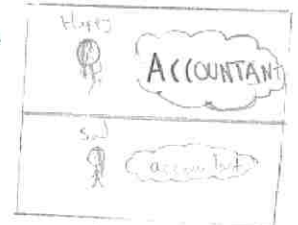
Article 29

Every child's education must develop their abilities and talents and
teach and help them to respect people, live peacefully and protect
their environment.

Article 29 is very crucial to our
life. It would help us kids to
get a job that we actually want
to do. For example if someone
is very good at maths but
they only learn spanish.



If they don't learn the language
they really want to do they
right give up their dream
job.



Goals of education

All children must have the right to an education.

Without an education you will not lead a happy and stable life.

When you apply for a job they look at your record. It is likely for
someone who has a more refined and better education to get the job
than someone who does not.

Education boosts your mental health. It makes you self dependent
and turns your dreams into reality. It helps you become a more
useful member to society and helps make the world safer.

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What is your goal!!!

Article 29 is about aims of education. With education you can succeed in life. Like if you want to be a famous athlete you have to work hard if you were good at something when you were young and not work hard because you were good at it when you were young you won't be a famous athlete. Like a part of the world people are stopping climate change. For example a girl uses banana skins to make items to reduce plastic. And people are campaigning to stop people's parents to let young kids to get married instead of education.



UNCRC (United Nations International Convention on the Rights of the Child) Article 29 is about aims of education. This means that children are free to learn about subjects at school such as Maths, English, Languages, Art, Music etc.

It is important to learn these subjects because when you grow up you need money and for that you need a job. To get good jobs you need these subjects. For an Artist you need Art and for an accountant you need maths etc.

Article 29:

1 No poverty 	2 No hunger 	3 Good health
5 Gender equality 	29 Aims of Education 	
4 Quality education 	6 Clean water and sanitation 	7 Renewable Energy
8 Good jobs and economic growth 	9 Industry, innovation and infrastructure 	10 Reduced inequality
11 Sustainable cities and communities 	12 Responsible consumption 	13 Climate action

ARTICLE 29: goals of education:

Article

that people have a good quality of life.

Energy

Singing

Reading

Drawing

Football

Dancing

1

2

3

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ARTICLE 29



Learn from the world
to be
HEALTHY

Prepare for a bright
and work

29-GOALS OF EDUCATION

Life under water and
climate action because
it includes in article
29 education and good
healthy with a healthy
land



Protect your environment



ARTICLE
29!



Aims of education

Every child has the right to
Education. and good at
Mind health and education to
be a good citizen

Child should be
taught to be a good
citizen

to be a good
citizen



Instead of girls getting
married when they are young,
they should go to school
and get some education



GLOBAL
GOALS

- 1- No Poverty
- 2- No Hunger
- 3- Good Health
- 4- Quality education



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPRING TERM 2022

January

Monday 17th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Monday 17th January 2022 – Reception Health Screening

Monday 17th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 5 / Year 6 Football

Tuesday 18th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Dodgeball

Tuesday 18th January 2022 – New Entrants meeting – 11:15

Tuesday 18th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 1 / Year 2 Football

Wednesday 19th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Kwik Cricket

Wednesday 19th January 2022 – Year 4 Cornet Lesson (9:00 – 10:00)

Wednesday 19th January 2022 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons (1:30 – 3:00)

Wednesday 19th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – KS2 Dodgeball

Wednesday 19th January 2021 – After school Cooking Club (3:30 – 4:30)

Thursday 20th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Thursday 20th January 2022 – Year 3 Rowan Swimming

Thursday 20th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 3 / Year 4 Football

Friday 21st January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Handball

Friday 21st January 2022 – Y5 Elder School Assembly – Burns Night

Monday 24th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Monday 24th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 5 / Year 6 Football

Tuesday 25th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Dodgeball

Tuesday 25th January 2022 – Wizard theatre

Tuesday 25th January 2022 – New Entrants meeting – 11:15

Tuesday 25th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 1 / Year 2 Football

Wednesday 26th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Kwik Cricket

Wednesday 26th January 2022 – Year 4 Cornet Lesson (9:00 – 10:00)

Wednesday 26th January 2022 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons (1:30 – 3:00)

Wednesday 26th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – KS2 Dodgeball

Wednesday 26th January 2021 – After school Cooking Club (3:30 – 4:30)

Thursday 27th January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Thursday 27th January 2022 – Year 3 Rowan Swimming

Thursday 27th January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 3 / Year 4 Football

Friday 28st January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Handball

Friday 28th January 2022 – Y4 Cedar Assembly – Chinese New Year

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Monday 31st January 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Monday 31st January 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 5 / Year 6 Football

February

Tuesday 1st February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Dodgeball

Tuesday 1st February 2022 - Wizard theatre

Tuesday 1st February 2022 – New Entrants meeting – 11:15

Tuesday 1st February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 1 / Year 2 Football

Wednesday 2nd February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Kwik Cricket

Wednesday 2nd February 2022 – Year 4 Cornet Lesson (9:00 – 10:00)

Wednesday 2nd February 2022 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons (1:30 – 3:00)

Wednesday 2nd February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – KS2 Dodgeball

Wednesday 2nd February 2021 – Afterschool Cooking Club (3:30 – 4:30)

Thursday 3rd February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Thursday 3rd February 2022 - Year 3 Swimming starts – Rowan class

Thursday 3rd February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 3 / Year 4 Football

Friday 4th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Handball

Friday 4th February 2022 – Y4 Mulberry School Assembly – Internet Safety Day

Friday 4th February 2022 – Year 6 Mayan Workshop

Friday 4th February 2022 - Football Match U11 – Holywell v Bromet (3:15pm)

Monday 7th – Friday 11th February 2022 – Festival of learning week

Monday 7th – Friday 11th February 2022 – Feeling Good Week

Monday 7th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Monday 7th February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 5 / Year 6 Football

Monday 7th February 2022 - The Grove Academy v Holywell Primary football U11 match (3:30)

Tuesday 8th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Dodgeball

Tuesday 8th February 2022 - Wizard theatre

Tuesday 8th February 2022 – New Entrants meeting – 11:15

Tuesday 8th February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 1 / Year 2 Football

Tuesday 8th February 2022 – Parents evening 15:30 – 18:00

Tuesday 8th February 2022 – Governors meeting (6:30)

Wednesday 9th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Kwik Cricket

Wednesday 9th February 2022 – Year 4 Cornet Lesson (9:00 – 10:00)

Wednesday 9th February 2022 – Year 5 Ukulele lessons (1:30 – 3:00)

Wednesday 9th February 2021 - Holywell v St Anthony's U11 - Netball Match (Home)

Wednesday 9th February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – KS2 Dodgeball

Wednesday 9th February 2021 – After school Cooking Club (3:30 – 4:30)

Thursday 10th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Tennis

Thursday 10th February 2022 - Year 3 Rowan Swimming

Thursday 10th February 2022 – After school club (3:30 – 4:30) – Year 3 / Year 4 Football

Thursday 10th February 2022 – Parents Evening 17:00 – 19:30

Friday 11th February 2022 – Morning Club (7:50 – 8:50) – Handball

Friday 11th February 2022 – Y3 Rowan Assembly - Resilience

HALF TERM

Monday 14th – Friday 18th February 2022