



Holywell Primary School

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we are a learning community with the spirit to succeed

29 April 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope everyone had a restful Easter break.

Playground Opening Times

Can I please remind you that the school playground opens at 8:45am each day, as we are unable to supervise your children in the playground before then? As the pedestrian gates do not open before 8:45, can I ask that you do not enter the site while visitors and staff enter or exit the school premises via the vehicle gates.

Occasional Day

As part of the Queen's Jubilee Year Celebrations, I have decided to allocate the Occasional Day to Monday 6 June 2022. School will therefore be closed to all pupils and staff.

Ramadan

With Eid Celebrations approaching, can I remind you that one day of absence only will be authorised for religious reasons to those of you who will be celebrating Eid during the school term time.

Year 6 SATS

During the first week of the Easter break, we had some Year 6 pupils attend an 'Easter school' in preparation for their upcoming SATS in May.

We have also restarted the Booster and tuition classes for some children in addition to the extra interventions that teachers and teaching assistants are delivering during the school day.

The Year 6 SATS are from Monday 9th May 2022 until Thursday 12th May 2022. Can I please ask all parents whose children are in Year 6, ensure that they are in school every day for these important assessments. We cannot make alternative arrangements for pupils absent on the day of the test.

Clubs

The summer clubs have now started back and will continue until week commencing the 23 May. There are a few spaces available on both the morning and afternoon clubs except the Year 5 and Year 6 Football Club. The Clubs, which are still available, will show on the school money payment system.

Lunch Clubs

This week, we have started offering pupils lunchtime clubs. Each year group has an allocated day to take up the club offer. The clubs are fully funded by the school. The uptake for pupils to attend these clubs has been great and whilst we cannot accommodate all pupils to take part, we hope all pupils will get an opportunity to take part sometime during the summer term.

NFER Trail Examinations

This week, pupils from Year 6 took part in the NFER trial examinations. These tests are used as trials for future public examinations and Holywell was asked to take part. We received a special email thanking all staff and pupils involved for the part they played in this. Well done to everyone involved.



Reception September 2022

Can I please ask Parents to accept their Reception place offer for September 2022, no later than Tuesday 3rd May 2022.

Class Photos

On Wednesday 4th of May 2022, the class photographer will be in school. Can we ask that all children must attend in full school uniform and bring their PE kit in a separate bag if they have PE on that day.

Polling Station

On Thursday 5th May, the School Olympic Hall is being used as a polling station for the local elections. This will not affect the school, as we are able to lock and partition off the school for the visitors on site. Even though the school gates are left open, we will keep the school building secure at all times.

Bank Holiday

Just a reminder that school is closed on Monday 2nd May for the May Bank Holiday.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C van Straaten', written in a cursive style.

Mr C van Straaten
Headteacher

UNICEF ARTICLE OF THE WEEK

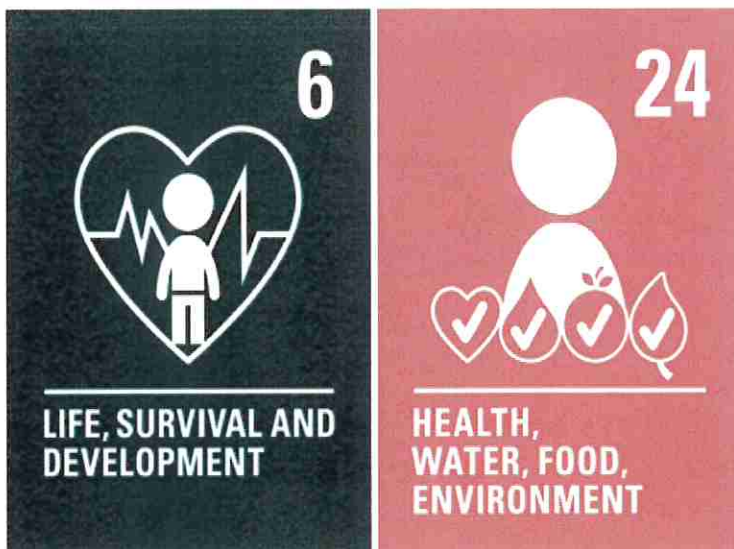
Earth Day-Article 6 and Article 24

Earth Day, 22 April

Earth Day takes place every year on April 22 to show support for the protection of the environment and our planet. It was first held on April 22, 1970, in the United States of America. More than 1 billion people around the world now participate in Earth Day activities each year.

This year's theme is **Invest In Our Planet**, encouraging everyone to take action and come together in partnership for our planet.

LINKED UNCRC ARTICLES



This week's activities link to the following articles:

Article 6 (life, survival and development): Every child has the right to life. Governments must do all they can to ensure that children survive and develop to their full potential.

Article 24 (health and health services): Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy. Richer countries must help poorer countries achieve this.

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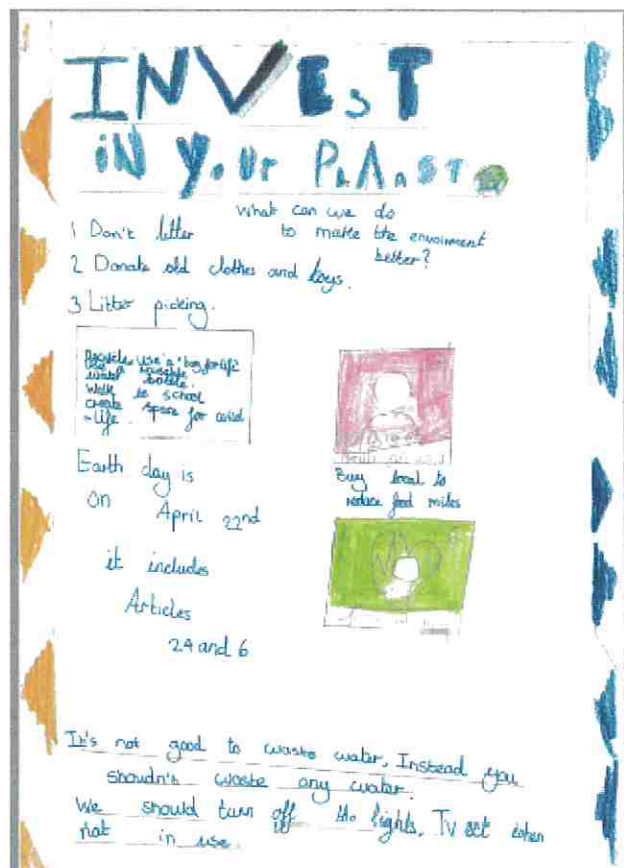
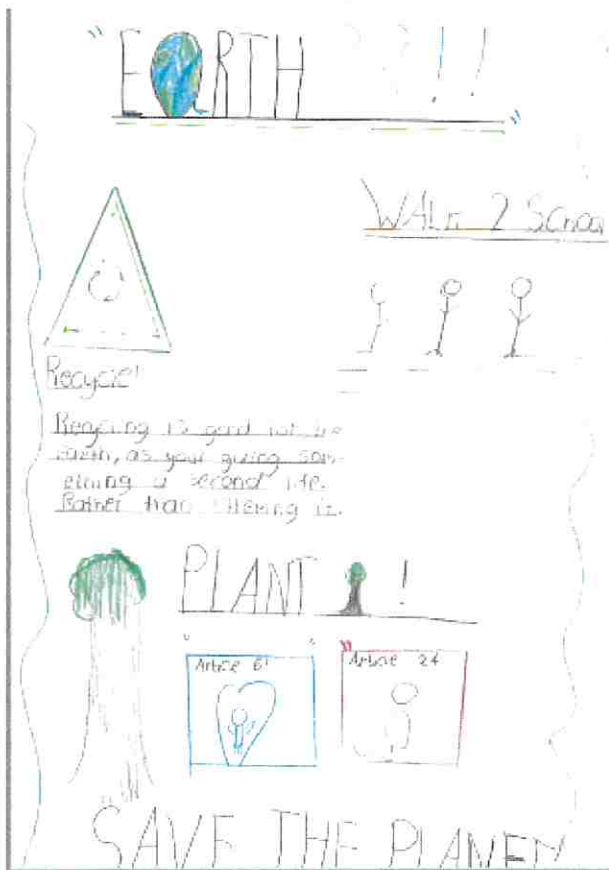
RIGHTS
RESPECTING
SCHOOLS

What do you think your school and your family do that helps the environment and the planet?

HOW MANY OF THESE DID YOU GET?

- Recycle
- Litter picking
- Buy local to reduce food miles
- Turn off lights, TV etc when not in use
- Walk to school
- Donate clothes and toys that are still in good condition
- Use a 'bag for life'
- Don't waste water
- Use a reusable water bottle
- Plant trees in the school grounds
- Create space for wildlife
- Write to decision makers such as MPs or companies to ask them to protect the environment

Our children came up with their creative ideas to contribute towards celebrating 'Earth day'



DONATE TO TEAM SEA'S

HELP ARE PLANET AND TURN IT AROUND

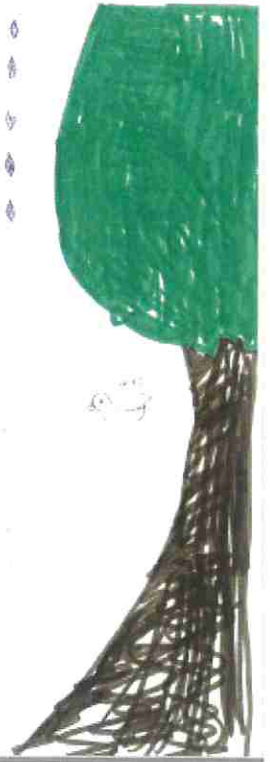
PLANT MORE PLANTS AND MAKE MORE ROOM FOR WILDLIFE

DONATE TO TEAM TREES

Create space for wildlife

Trees need to be planted, millions of
trees are cut down every year
Such as mangroves, natural habitat
being turned into farms for palm oil

Duck eggs used to be more
because their chicken eggs are better
was known for its quality, look
the market



No Litter

Earth day is celebrated on 22nd April.
We should not litter on the ground or
anywhere we go

- Recycle
- Litter picking
- Walk to school
- Create space for wildlife
- Don't waste food

Article 24 and 6

Recycle

Litter picking

Don't waste water

Use a 'bag for life'

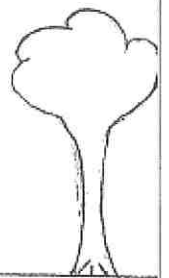
Use a reusable water bottle

Create space for wildlife

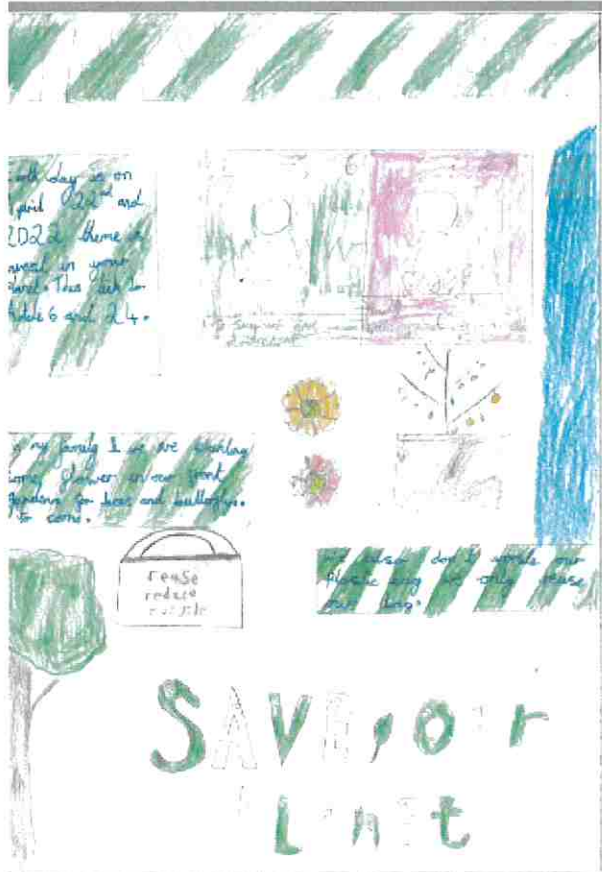
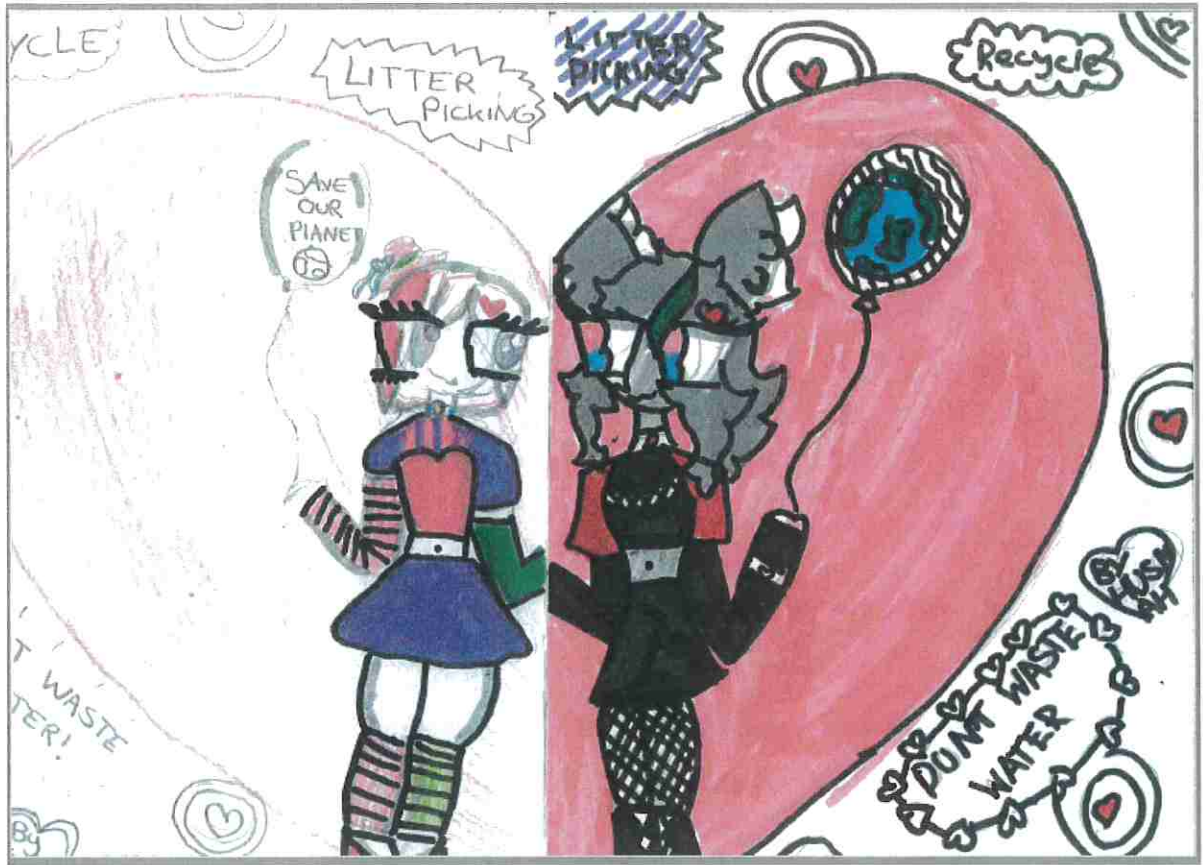
Walk to school

Plant trees

SAVE OUR
EARTH



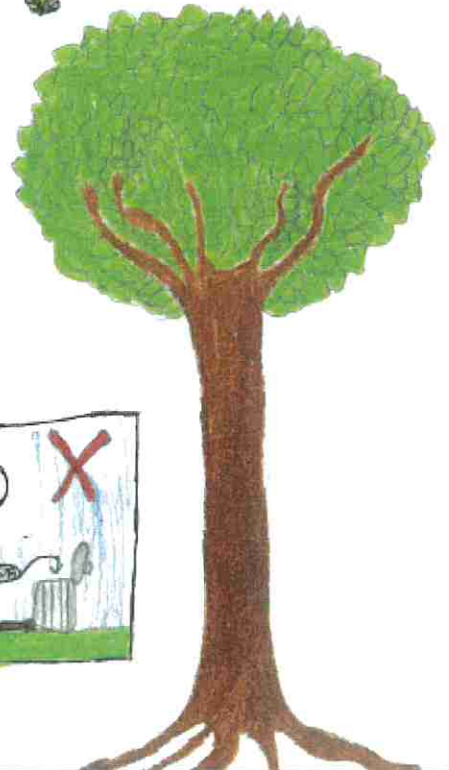
Earth day



DON'T THROW IT, SAVE IT!



Recycle, Reuse Reduce



Health, Water, Food, Environment

Save the World

Song: Real the bad things
singers: Jim



P: Bandages being around
Screaming, the yellow bloom
the world and all of us meeting was bound
The purpose was to protect but now our
world is destroyed on down

M: Help the world, make it a better
place

is a good idea and the other part
is not

P: Get the things
there are two
called bad and good

Real the bad things are bad and bad
Pollution, destruction they're the ones who
cause

M: There are people doing to make our the world
more of a good place, if you care enough for
the world

P: Bear the sadness
Get stronger and run on to fight the bad
and change

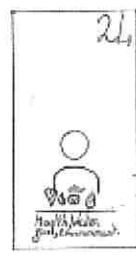
The world gets time a time of, modern

insert the music we were connected in
the world of the world
part of the world the bad things are the bad things

How to Save The World!

Articles that
Match With saving
The World

from Basket
Band and Shamir



You can help your
planet by not
throwing trash
on the floor

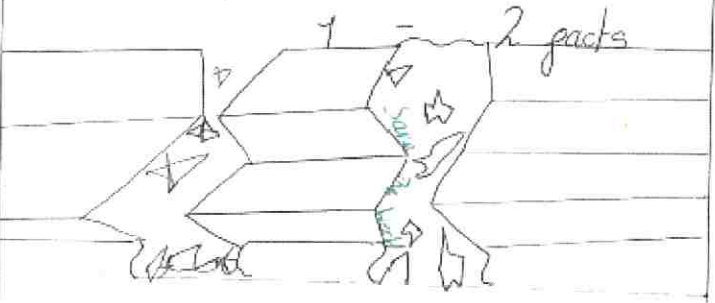


Tips to Save

- o No pollution
- o Less plastic
- o No wasting food
- o Respect



Always treat the
World With respect



WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE FROM SEPTEMBER 2021
92%

Week Commencing 20 April - 22 April 2022

Attendance by Class			
Nursery	67%	Mulberry	93%
Reception	83%	Y4 Cedar	85%
Y1 Sycamore	90%	Y5 Chestnut	96%
Y2 Hawthorn	93%	Y5 Elder	92%
Y2 Hazel	93%	Y6 Elm	96%
Y3 Rowan	93%	Y6 Birch	94%

Attendance	
<i>Best Classes in the whole school for attendance</i>	
Key Stage 1	Y2 Hawthorn & Hazel
Key Stage 2	Y6 Elm

Star & Charter Certificates - 29.4.022		
	Star Learner of the Week	Charter Certificate
Reception	Elliott	Shanzay
Y1 Sycamore	Aidan	Layla
Y2 Hawthorn	Zak	Muaaz
Y2 Hazel	Zayvon	Jordan
Y3 Rowan	Hannah	Maisey
Y4 Cedar	Harvey	Amira
Y4 Mulberry	Hamithra	Rebeka
Y5 Chestnut	Malwina	Harley
Y5 Elder	Grace	Dilan
Y6 Birch	Sara S	Sarah M
Y6 Elm	Jonah	Cristiana

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
SUMMER TERM 2022

May 2022

Monday 2nd May

Tuesday 3rd May

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Wednesday 4th May

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Thursday 5th May

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Bank Holiday - School Closed

Cricket Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y1 & Y2 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y3 & Y4 Tennis Competition - Watford Girls School (1:00 - 2:30)

Class Photos

KS2 Netball Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Netball League Match - Holywell v St Anthony's (2:00 - 3:00)

U11 Football League - Holywell v St Anthony's (2:00 - 3:00)

Polling Day (school remains open)

Multi Sports Club (7:50 - 8:50)

RockSteady Music Lessons

Y5 Elder Swimming Lessons

Y3 & 4 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y6 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Year 6 SATS

Y3 & Y4 Watford Heritage Trail

Y5 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Cricket Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y1 & Y2 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

KS2 Netball Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Multi Sports Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y5 Elder Swimming Lessons

Y3 & 4 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y6 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y5 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Cricket Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Nursery Trip to Cheslyn House & Gardens (9:45 - 12:00)

Y1 & Y2 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Reception Class Visit to Cheslyn House & Gardens (9:45 - 1:30)

KS2 Netball Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Multi Sports Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y5 Elder Swimming Lessons

Y3 & 4 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y1 Sycamore & Y2 Hawthorn and Hazel - Visit to Cassiobury Park

Y6 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y6 Leave for the Isle of Wight

Y5 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Cricket Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y1 & Y2 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

KS2 Netball Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Multi Sports Club (7:50 - 8:50)

Y5 Elder Swimming Lessons

Y3 & 4 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Y6 Cineworld

Y6 Return from the Isle of Wight

Y6 Football Club (3:30 - 4:30)

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June

Half Term

Holywell Primary School Assemblies Schedule

Theme: Resourcefulness	Whole School Assembly - Y1-Y6 - Olympic Hall		
Topic	Class	Time: 9:10am	
Shakespeare	Year 5 Chestnut	Friday 22nd April	
St Georges	Year 4 Cedar	Friday 29th April	
Eid ul Fitr	Year 4 Mulberry	Friday 6th May	
VE day	Year 3 Rowan	Friday 13th May	
Florence Nightingale	Year 2 Hawthorn	Friday 20th May	
Resourcefulness	Year 2 Hazel	Friday 20th May	
Queen Jubilee celebration	Year 1 Sycamore	Friday 27th May 2022	

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Football Holiday Courses

May Half Term 2022

Monday 30th May to Wednesday 1st June (3 days)
10am-3pm

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-Parent, holiday course participant.

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