



**Academic Year  
2021/22**

**FEBRUARY**

Monday 28th  
Learning Review  
Meeting - Mr Heskin  
& Mrs Toms **only**

**MARCH**

Tuesday 1st  
Learning Review  
Meetings

Thursday 3rd  
Learning Review  
Meetings

Monday 14th  
Bikeability Level 2  
Course starts

**APRIL**

Friday 1st  
End of Term 1:30pm

Wednesday 20th  
Start Summer Term

**MAY**

Monday 2nd  
Bank Holiday  
School Closed

30th - 3rd June  
Half Term Break  
School Closed

Monday 6th  
INSET Day  
School Closed

Tuesday 7th  
Queen's Jubilee Day  
School Closed

# Holtsmere End Junior School

## Newsletter

ISSUE 3

11TH FEBRUARY 2022

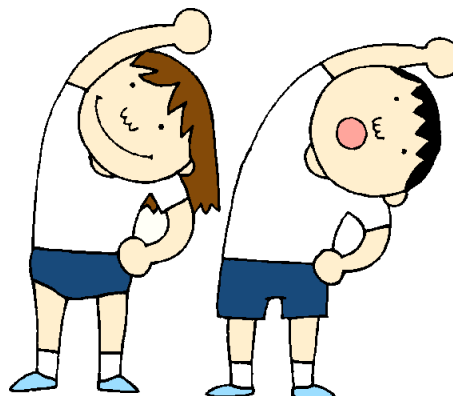
### Message from Mrs McGuigan

As we come to the end of this busy half term and the weather begins to get warmer I would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support during what has continued to have been a challenging half term with many children, parents and staff continuing to suffer from the ongoing pandemic.

Learning has continued and we are grateful that we have been able to be in school teaching and supporting the children and working our way through the catch up programme.

As this term continues we have lots planned for the next half term starting with Learning Review Meetings. These will be virtual again this year due to the fact that we continue to have high numbers of positive cases in the school and we want to continue to reduce the risk to all as much as possible. We are aware that this means that parents are not having an opportunity to see children's books however we hope to have an after school opportunity for this by the end of the Spring term. If you think that you will find the technology a challenge please let the office know and we will try to arrange a ten minute phone conversation instead. These meetings are an essential opportunity to discuss the progress that your children are making and how we can all work together to ensure they reach their full potential.

We have some sporting opportunities planned next half term completing against other schools - we are keen to give children this opportunity and will continue to look at opportunities for children to experience these events as much as possible.



## Letter from the Governors:

Dear Parents

I am writing to you as chair of Governors of Holtsmere End Junior School (HEJS) to ask you to think about becoming a parent governor at the school, something I think you will find a very worthwhile community contribution. Did you know that there are about 300,000 people offering their time as volunteers across the country to support the education of all of our children?

There are ten Governors in total at HEJS, two of which are specifically nominated by parents. One of our parent governors, Sarah Robson, is stepping down to focus on her employment in the school, creating an opportunity for someone new to step forward.

Governors support the leaders and staff at the school, providing an additional perspective on the strategic questions faced by the school and holding the school to account for delivering the very best for the children. As a governor, you would attend meetings, mostly in the early evening, conduct some visits to the school and get involved in issues over email. The amount of the time commitment over a full year is in the region of 50 volunteer hours.

Formal invitations for nominations and self-nominations will be issued after half term, but if in the meantime you would like to discuss more about what is expected, please feel free to email me at [philxmurray@gmail.com](mailto:philxmurray@gmail.com) or to phone me on 07703 190555.

Thank you for thinking about this

Phil Murray

Chair of Governors



### Poppy Appeal - November

We have received a thank you letter from the Royal British Legion - our poppy collection last year raised **£203.34**



### Digital Leaders are:

Year 3: Jesse & Enzo

Year 4: Christopher & Tutu

Year 5: Karina, Hristian & Emma C

Year 6: Shane & Gloria

### Eco Committee:

Year 3: Mason & Abbey

Year 4: Grace & Thomas

Year 5: Alishia G & Israa

Year 6: Bella & Pippa

## BUG-BUSTING!

### HEADLICE REMINDER

Several of our classes have had recent outbreaks of head lice. When we are aware that lice are present, we always send home a letter to the class concerned. It is important that we all take steps to regularly check and treat our children.

Remember:

- Head lice can only be caught by close head-to-head contact – lice cannot jump or fly.
- If your child has long hair it is advisable for them to have it tied back for school.
- If you do find living moving head lice, there are a number of treatments that can be bought over the counter from your local pharmacist. Alternatively a visit to your GP will mean treatment can be gained on prescription.
- The best way to stop an infestation is regular combing of the whole family's hair using a fine tooth comb when the hair is wet and contains conditioner. This will remove the eggs and any live lice. This needs to be continued over a period of time to ensure all the eggs have been removed.



### HSA £20.22 FOR 2022 FUNDAISING



For the 2022 February Challenge I ran a cake sale. I raised £45 for the school. I baked delicious sponge cupcakes, which I knew would be very popular. It was a real delight to see how many people bought my creations!

By Maisie D Y6

**Well done Maisie - What a fantastic idea**

### YEAR 6 ONLY - BIKEABILITY TRAINING

We still have spaces available for the bikeability training course which starts on March 14th

You must have a serviceable bicycle and helmet - cost £25

Please email school if you would like your child to attend



## YEAR 3 VOLCANIC ACTIVITY



Firstly we chose which of our volcanoes to explode! Then, we kept a few teaspoons of water. After that we poured in a few squeezes of washing up liquid, then we carefully poured in red, blood coloured food colouring! Then cautiously we put a whole bunch of baking powder in, we thought it was half the box!

After that, we went onto the field to explode our volcano that we had chosen. When we were on the field we poured half a bottle of vinegar into our real-looking volcano.

Finally, our volcano exploded and it kept going for about 3 - 5 minutes. We called it the non-stop volcano.

By Aryan K





## Kidzania Y3 & 4



When we got to kidzania we got wristbands that showed where we were. Then we also got a fake credit card so we could spend it on jobs and work to earn money. Firstly, me and Fia looked around and found an aircraft and we saw a plane. We picked up mail then we did the air hostessing. Then we had lunch in the theatre, sadly there was no movie. After that we did the petrol station then we looked after a baby. My friend dropped a baby which was funny. Then we went to deli-wraps and got an edible free wrap for working hard and then we left.

Lastly we checked how much money we had left on our credit cards and spent it in the gift shop. We then got on the coach and went back to school.

By: Maisie W & Fia S.

Fun Fact:: It was fun



When we got to Kidzania I was so excited. We got special securicam tracking bracelets and a credit card.

The first place I went was the Just Dance Club, we did need to pay 5 kidzoz for entry though.

After doing a dance it was time for lunch, we ate lunch in the theatre, Abigail did do some dancing on the stage.

My favourite one had to be the radio station because there was music. We got to buy something in the gift shop.

This was the best school trip yet!

By: Antoninia



Class	21/1/22					28/1/22				
	6R's	Writer of the week	Reader of the week	Mathe-matician of the week	Hand-writing	6 R's	Writer of the week	Reader of the week	Mathe-matician of the week	Hand-writing
Mrs Kaydu	Reggie	Gabriela	Isabelle	Adam	Ion	John	Isabelle	Freddie	Cody	Lyla
Miss Fuller	Lyra	Oliver	Izaak	Ivan	Aryan	LJ	Rhett	Roberta	Junaynah	Younes
Miss Abrey	Paris	Velina	Leo	Lennie	Sean	Antonina	Ben	Tilly	Luca	Sean
Miss Carroll	Amelia	Aanya	Filip	Elias	Seanna					
Mr Heskin Mrs Toms	Summer	Vincent	Melvin	Lyla	Noah	Alicja	Toby	Katie	Jean-Baptiste	Jack
Miss Graham	Chloe	Keerth	Louis	Zion	Fabiana	Emma	Israa	Zion	Fabiana	Maciej
Mrs Deacon	Millie	Seby	Charlie	Taha	Lenny	James	Louie	Mia	Lilly	Shane
Mrs Tredwell	Pippa	Grace	Harry	Stanley	Imran	Brenda	EJ	Luke	Macey	Gloria
Class	4/2/22					11/2/22				
	6 R's	Writer of the week	Reader of the week	Mathe-matician of the week	Hand-writing	6 R's	Writer of the week	Reader of the week	Mathe-matician of the week	Hand-writing
Mrs Kaydu	Nathaniel	Isabelle	Pareeta	Tiffany	Lolu	Enzo	Gabriela	Reggie	Lyla	Cody
Miss Fuller	Nikola	Alfie	Evalynn	Younes	Aryan	Lyra	Jesse	LJ	Sara	Julia
Miss Abrey	Christopher & Daniel	Stella	Antonina	Jaziah	Zayd	Lexi	Aanya	Abuba-kar	Christo-pher	Vienna
Miss Carroll	Elias	T'iarah	Amelia	Joshua	Jack	Sean	Lily	Tony	Henry	Polly
Mr Heskin Mrs Toms	Flynn	Isabelle	Hristian	Noah	Alisha	Katie	Gabriel	Karina	Aleyna	Isabella HA
Miss Graham	JJ	Melissa	Peyton	Daisy	Emma	Louis	Daisy	JJ	Edie	Nelly
Mrs Deacon	Jack	Mayson	Maisie	Calvin	Zain	Faith	Bella	Lenny	Antonia	Millie
Mrs Tredwell	Tehzeeb	Sorayaha	Iwinosa	Lia	Nasta	Nathan	Macey	Nasta	Kandi	Ronnie