



Holt Community Primary School Newsletter Spring 1 18th January 2016



Congratulations to the 55 children who achieved 100% attendance last term. We had a visit from the attendance officer last week. The good news is that our attendance rate is currently at 96.5% which is at the national average rate. The attendance officer checks the attendance rate of each child, checks to see if other family members are absent on the same days, looks for patterns of attendance and checks lateness. The government has recently increased the rate which is defined as persistent absentee to 90%. The attendance officer has asked the school to write to all parents of children who are currently below this level. We have also been asked to remind parents that the school is not allowed to authorise holidays in term time.

We have a slight problem with some children arriving late and some parents taking too long to leave the building in the morning. We have a bell at 8.45 am, so that parents and children know when they can enter the school building. The bell rings again at 8.55am, which is the time parents should leave.

To help with attendance and to prevent the spread of the sickness bug, can I remind parents that children should not return to school for 48 hours following a bout of sickness.

Dates for your diary

- Fri 22nd Jan Y6 - Sheringham High School
- Fri 29th Jan Y3/4 - Trip to Norwich Castle
- Fri 29th Jan Y6 - Guardian Workshop London
- Wed 3rd Feb - Y1/2 class assembly
- 13th - 21st Feb - Half term
- 23rd Feb - Class Photographs
- Wed 9th Mar YR class assembly
- Wed 16th Mar Y5/6 class assembly
- 25th Mar -10th April Easter Holiday
- 15th April - Y1-6 reports to Parents
- 3pm- 4.30pm Thurs 21st April - Parents drop in
- 9th -13th May Year 6 Sats



Year 6 recently debated the motion 'It should be a criminal offence to place recyclable items in your landfill wheelie bin'. They approached the whole activity very maturely and many sensible and thoughtful arguments were raised. Eventually the motion was defeated by 18 votes to 4.

Holt School Uniform order slip

Please complete and return this slip, with any orders, by Friday 29th January. **Do not** send any money with this slip, as this will not be required until the sweatshirts and bags are available for collection.

Child's Name Class.....

School sweatshirt Size 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-13 @ £6.15 each. Number required Size.....

Bookbags @ £3.65 each. Number required