

THE HOLLY LEAF

Message from the Head

You may not recognise The Holly Leaf - it's our new fortnightly newsheet aimed at letting parents and girls know what is happening in school in the near future. As well as coming home every two weeks in your daughter's school bags, it will be published on our website.

The old style newsletters, which you received half termly, will be replaced by a bi-annual glossy publication which will celebrate our school successes, and a new style annual magazine. We will be running competitions to name the new publications in due course - watch this space!

PUNCTUALITY

Can I remind parents that Senior School starts at 8.45am with registration. Girls should be in their form rooms by this time. Form teachers will be monitoring lateness. We expect all girls to be punctual.

HAIR

Girls with hair long enough to tie back, should do so: in a plain green, black or red bobble. If 'floppy bits' obstruct the face, they should be clipped back with unobtrusive clips or slides. Hair should not be dyed an extreme or unnatural colour. This includes having contrasting coloured streaks. Please note that girls may be sent home if they do not conform to this rule.

COAT Vs BLAZER IN SENIOR SCHOOL

Just to clarify:

- Girls may wear their black coat over their uniform to travel to and from school. They must always have their blazer in school as well.
- They may wear coats at lunchtime when playing outside.
- It is, however, not possible to wear coats in between the buildings at lesson changes (no space to hang/leave coats in various buildings).
- Blazers must be worn to and from PE and not coats.
- Blazers must be worn for all other visits which are off site unless girls are notified otherwise.

UNSUNG HEROES

I was prompted to write this paragraph after receiving a letter from an ex-pupil who wished me to publicly thank Mrs Land for her huge contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school and for her particular success. Sometimes in a school, it is easy to forget the enormous efforts of staff who beaver away at odd times of day and out of sight - and yet who make such a valuable contribution to the girls' Hollygirt experience. Mrs Land, and all the peripatetic music staff, I would like to thank you for your quiet dedication and unflinching efforts.

ISSUES

In the first instance please contact your daughter's form teacher to discuss pastoral issues or subject teacher for specific academic concerns. In the event of a complaint of a more formal nature, please refer to our complaints procedure which can be obtained on request.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SKIING

- Folgarida, Italy
- Sat 9th to Sat 16th February
- COACH IS LEAVING AT 1.00PM SHARP
- **DON'T BE LATE... AND DON'T FORGET YOUR PASSPORTS!**

Year 11
Food
Practicals

- Tues 19th February
- Fri 22nd February

Year 8
RS Visit

- St. Andrew's Church
- Fri 22nd February

Years 2 - 6
Craft
Afternoon

- Fri 22nd February
- 3.30pm - 5.30pm
- Friends of Hollygirt

Year 10
Work
Experience

- Mon 25th - Fri 29th February

Year 9
CREST Day

- Wed 27th February

Year 6
Food
Technology

- Thurs 28th February
- Cooking breakfast!

Year 11
History Visit

- Beth Shalom
- Fri 29th February
- Packed lunch needed!

Good luck to the ski party – please come back with all limbs intact!

FOR OTHER NEWS AND GIRLS' SUCCESSES PLEASE LOG ON TO OUR WEBSITE.

Year 9 CREST Day (CREativity in Science and Technology)

Wednesday 27th February

Girls will be working all day with a range of experts including Bobby Harvey from FACE (Farming and Countryside Education), John Freeman from Sat Bains Restaurant and Miriam Lee from Penncreative, to name but a few.

Parents of Year 9 girls have been invited to attend the presentation session in the Senior School Hall from 4.15pm to 5.00pm, to see what wonders they have created...

WHAT IS THE AIM?

TO PRODUCE AND CREATE
AN ICONIC REUSABLE BAG
FOR AN "ETHICAL
TAKEAWAY PRODUCT"

Anyone for Breakfast?

The Year 6 girls will be getting in the kitchen in their food technology lesson on Thursday 28th February and cooking breakfast for themselves and an invited guest. Mmmmmm.

Parents' Evenings

Yr5 & Yr6

Thursday 21st February

Prep, Yr2 - Yr4

Tuesday 26th February

Hollygirt Squash Club - Years 6 to 11

Running since last September, girls have enjoyed world class coaching at Nottingham Squash Club. There is space for four more girls to join the team. Transport is provided from school free of charge and girls are collected from Nottingham Squash Club.

When? Thursdays
Time? 3.45pm – 5.00pm
Cost? £3.00 per session

If you would like your daughter to join please email:
tonybill@hollygirt.notts.sch.uk.
First come first served basis applies!



FANCY ADDING A STRING TO YOUR BOW?

Mrs Seedhouse our violin teacher is able to take on additional pupils who wish to learn the violin. Please speak to Mrs Purchase or Mrs Storey if you require further details.

NEW STAFF

We welcome Mrs Taylor to the English team in the Senior School. Her appointment has allowed Mr Kay to go part-time so he can focus on his Arts Theatre commitments.

Year 11 Prom Night

- Friday 4th April
- 7.30pm - 11.00pm
- Trent Bridge Cricket Ground



Please will all girls who catch the link bus to the High School at the end of the school day, make haste! Queries about transport should be sent to Christine Winter at the Boys' High School.



Holey, Holey, Holey!

Jumpers are sprouting holes in the cuffs. This 'fashion statement' is not acceptable – please can all such holes be sewn up during half term please.

Year 11 Food - GCSE final product practicals are being presented to the Chef and Mrs Young from The Park Inn on:

Tues 19th & Fri 22nd February

If your daughter has recently achieved success then please let us know so this can be mentioned on our website.

Please email:

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SCHOOL

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