



## Holtsmere End Infant and Nursery School

### Newsletter

Autumn Term Week 2

Dear Parents,

It was great to see so many parents at our curriculum meetings this week. We hope that you found them informative and useful. Please look out for our Phonics workshops and a reading workshop later in the term. Our aim is to give you as much information as possible to enable you to help your child at home.

#### Play equipment

There was great excitement on the playground this morning as the installation of our 'clamber stack' has begun. The installation team assure me that this will be completed by Wednesday. We are having a 'spongey' surface installed as well and the children will be supervised when using the equipment.

Last year's school council members were consulted on the designs after indicating that they wanted more equipment to play on.

#### DENS assembly

As you may be aware our Harvest food collection last year was donated to DENS, a local charity supporting the increasing number of homeless people. Representatives from DENS held an assembly on Wednesday informing the children of the important work they do and the need for donations. We will be consulting with the newly elected members of our School Council where this year's donations should be sent.

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Due to a low turn out to our previous Macmillan coffee mornings we have decided to combine our popular family breakfast with the coffee morning. Whilst the school will provide tea, coffee, pastries for breakfast we will also be selling cakes and expect at least a £1 donation as we are raising money for such a worthwhile charity. Please book your places using our Parent's evening system.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs O'Connell Headteacher

#### Upcoming dates

<b>27th Sept</b>	Macmillan Coffee morning Family breakfast 8.15 Please book online
<b>3rd October</b>	School tour for prospective Reception parents 9.15 Please call the office to book a place
<b>7th October</b>	Year 1 Theatre Trip—The Tiger who came to tea 12-3.15
<b>14th October</b>	Year 1 Phonics Workshop 2.30 No sign up needed
<b>15th October</b>	Individual photos Please ensure that your child has the correct uniform on
<b>15th October</b>	Reception Phonics Workshop 2.30 No sign up needed

## ? Question of the week

***Would you rather be a wizard or a superhero?***



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Autumn Term Week 1



### Happy birthday to you!



### Amazing Attendance

*Every day counts*

Chestnut	94.04%
Maple	95.5%
Hazel	93.33%
Oak	98.33%
Beech	96.55%
Pine	97.26%

### Poem of the week

#### African Animals

Giraffes are tall with necks so long

Elephants' trunks are big and strong

Zebras have stripes and can gallop away

While monkeys in the trees do sway.

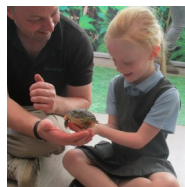
Old crocodiles swims in the pool so deep

Or lies in the sun and goes to sleep.

### Science activity

Download the free Tree ID App and go on a tree hunt. Did you know we have more than 20 different species in our grounds?!

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/trees-woods-and-wildlife/british-trees/identify-trees-with-our-tree-id>



The children in Oak and Hazel classes were extremely lucky to have a visit from 'Spirit of the Wild' on Wednesday to enhance their Wild animals topic. We were amazed at how fearless and willing the children were to hold the creatures!