



## NEWSLETTER

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27th October 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers

Here we are about to enter the first half term holiday of the school year, there are lots of activities available next week, please have a look at our website or Twitter to find out more information.

It is around this time that students begin to think about their work experience placements for the summer, we would like to ask any parents or family friends if they know of a business that would be willing to take a student or two on work experience in the summer term. If this is something that you would be interested in, please email the school to let us know, [info@holly-lodge.org](mailto:info@holly-lodge.org).

Our Y7 students joined us for a celebration Halloween Disco on Thursday night. There were lots of spooky going on some wonderful costumes, the students had a great time!

The culmination of all our Black History Month celebration was an event this week where we invited in some community leaders to see what we have been sharing in school during October, we shared famous black people in subject areas, as well as performances by students. You can see some of the resources on our Twitter page.

Also as part of Black History Month, I invited Dance Teachers from the M.E. Dance Company to work with the whole of Y8. M.E. Dance Company is the sole professional contemporary dance company in the Black Country and is led by a Black British Caribbean woman by the name of Marcia Edwards, to whom the company owes its name. Marcia and her team delivered two full days of dance related games, warm ups and contemporary dance moves to our Y8 students which they thoroughly enjoyed.

Some of the Faithful Friends, a local group of religious leaders, joined us on Tuesday to talk to some students about the situation in Israel and Gaza. The presentation was informative, respectful, and reflected the seriousness of the situation. Please take the opportunity to speak to

your children at home about this topic.

As mentioned previously, we had a theatre company join us on Tuesday to perform their excellent play Switch Up to years 8 and 10. Switch Up is an anti-knife crime production and workshop from Saltmine Theatre Company which addresses on the complex, interrelated issues of knife crime, gang violence and self identity. Incorporating multi-media and rap music, this powerful production aims to encourage young people to make considered and positive decisions in relation to these concerns. The initial feedback was fantastic, but if your child did see the performance can you please remind them to complete the feedback form and encourage a discussion about the subject at home. You can find some resources on our website.

Today, Y13 took a trip to Gloucester University to look around the campus, I hope that they had a great trip!

I am so proud to share with you that we recently had 3 students apply to become a UK Inspiring Girls Young Ambassador. Well done to Manisha Kaur and Hannah Wright for their excellent applications. A huge well done to Ekamjit Kaur who was successful in her application! You can find out more about the program here <https://inspiring-girls.com/>.

Following our trip to Wolverhampton Art Gallery for World Mental Health Day, Murray Hall Community Trust have made a display in their reception area as promised to Y7 to display their positive affirmations and work that they completed on Mental Health Day (see next page).

Don't forget that there is lots going on in our community during half term!

Have a great holiday  
and we'll see you on  
Monday 6th  
November.



Best Regards

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Headteacher

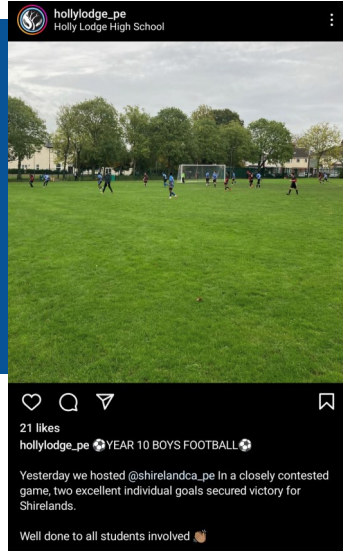


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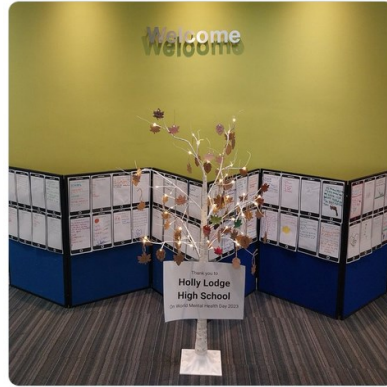


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- 06/11 Back to school
- 06/11 Hope performance
- 07/11 A Christmas Carol performance
- 10/11 Remembrance Day (School)
- 13/11 Y7 Settling in Evening
- 19/12 RAF CCF trip
- 22/11 Trip to Oxford University
- 05/12 Y7-11 Immunisations

