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17th November 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to a new half term, we will be counting down to the Christmas holidays with lots of fun activities planned.

Most recently we have had external theatre performances for almost all students; theatre is a great medium to reach children and young people, regarding important issues.

Y9 enjoyed the play 'Fire! A Princess' Guide to Burning' which tackles social issues and British and European history. Y7 and 8 watched 'Hope' an anti-bullying performance, linking in with anti-bullying week in school this week. Finally, Y10 saw A Christmas Carol; performed by NWTAC, linking in with their GCSE work. I have heard great things from the students about the performances!

Over half term some lucky students were able to take a trip to see a basketball game City of Birmingham Rockets v Thames Valley Cavalier. They had a great time, and some of those students also took part in the basketball camps over half term! Our PE staff have also been visiting Victoria Park Primary school to teach basketball to the Y5 students.

Last week on Friday, we held our usual Remembrance ceremony where the whole school comes together to remember those lost in war. Well done to our CCF student who also took part in the Smethwick parade on Sunday. We are so proud of you all.

I'm excited to share with you details of our first Friends of HLHS meeting which will take place in school at 5.45pm Monday 11th December 2023,

everyone is welcome to join – email hlmemories@holly-lodge.org for more information or if you would like to come along.

We are delighted that some of our Y9 boys have again been chosen to take part in the Cyrill Regis' Strike a Change Program. The boys had a brilliant induction event last month, I look forward to seeing their progress over the year.

For our Y11 students, mock exams will start on 20th November 2023 for the week.

We have made a change to our staff training dates, moving one of the June dates (27th) to Friday 1st December 2023. Please note that students will not be in school on this date.

This week, we welcomed our new Y7 parents and carers into school for their settling in evening. Thank you to everyone who came along, we look forward to working in partnership with you all. Can I remind all parents that the PGL trip deposits must be paid by the end of November.

Also in school this week, we had a visit from Devonshire Juniors Y6 students who have been coming into Holly Lodge to have some technology lessons with our technology department.

Have a great weekend.



Best Regards

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Well done to the new intake of students taking part in the @WBA #StrikeAChange program. #Community #Opportunity #Ambition @HollyLodge_PE



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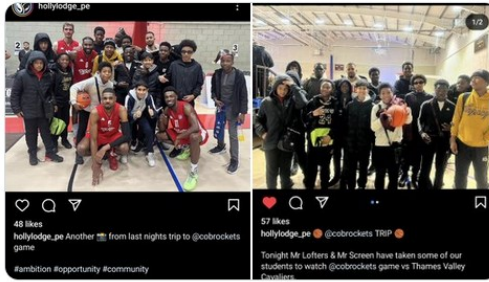


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hollylodge_pe BASKETBALL CAMP

After 2 days of camp, we have taken part in playing and refereeing the game of Basketball whilst learning what it takes to be a good leader 🏀

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These lucky students watched this basketball game over half term! #Opportunity @cobrockets



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Would you like to become more involved with school, perhaps you are a parent or alumni of Holly Lodge? Are you a community member in Smethwick? Join Us! #Community #Smethwick #Volunteer @NGSMethwick @WMFSSmethwick @SmethwickWMP @NSDT_Brasshouse



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U14 BASKETBALL

Tonight we hosted our first Basketball game in an U14 fixture vs St Georges, Edgbaston

A big well done to all the students who played and all of the students who stayed & supported 🏀

#ambition #opportunity #community



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Thank you to all who took part in our school remembrance ceremony today. @HollyLodgeCCF @PoppyLegion #Community #Smethwick



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19/11

RAF CCF trip

22/11

Trip to Oxford University

29/11

Forge Mill Farm trip

30/11

Harry Potter Quiz Y7

1/12

Staff Training Day

05/12

Y7-11 Immunisations

05/12

Forge Mill Farm trip

06/12

Snow White trip

