



The Owl



Summer Term 2015

1st May 2015

Welcome to The Owl

- Don't forget hats and sun cream for the warm weather
- Dinner money is £10 per week and rises to £11 per week in September.

Welcome to the very first edition of The Owl, I hope that you like our redesigned news-letter.

Remember, from now on the news items that used to be put in the old newsletter will appear in the news or events sections of the school website.

We will continue to use our texting system for prompts,

reminders and short individual messages. Please make sure that you contact Mrs Davidson to update your details if you change your phone number or e-mail address.

In addition we now also have a Twitter account that we have begun to use (@hollinsgrundy).

We will begin to use this more frequently to give parents who follow us an insight into

what is happening at school.

What's new though is that The Owl will have some news items about events that have been happening in school.

Some articles have been written by children — we hope you like them.

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Walking Bus

For a number of months now Mr Perkin and Mr McCrudden have been running our walking bus service on Friday mornings. Children meet at the park opposite St Georges Church at 8.15 am and walk to school in a safe, supervised line.

This is a great way to start the day: children get exercise, can chat with their friends and parents can drop hand over their children before 8.55 am. Rosie & Lily Nicholson's mum says "The school waking bus is fantastic! My children love walking



to school - it's gives them independence, exercise & they look forward to it every week! "

What We Raised

Bleak Holt—£90

MCH—£70

Age UK—£30

School Council Wacky Day

On the 1st of April 2015 (April Fool's day) we held a Wacky Day. Our school councillors decided to have a day where we raise money for three different charities, Bleak Holt Animal Sanctuary, Age UK and Manchester Children's Hospital. We decided on these charities because we wanted to raise money for everyone. The idea of Wacky Day was to dress up as wackily as you possibly could. We raised a staggering amount of and I'm sure all the charities will be very grateful. These

were the reasons we decided to pick these charities: Bleak Holt Animal Sanctuary, because it's a local animal rescue centre and it helps many animals who don't have the care they really deserve. Age UK, Age UK is a wonderful charity who helps elderly's be cared for properly it gives them shelter, food and water. Manchester Children's Hospital, the Manchester Children's Hospital looks after children who are ill, it helps them see their families on a regular basis, also a few of



School councillors.

our pupils have received care from them and who are now much healthier and happier. Everyone loved dressing up wacky and we were all full of laughter. We hope all the charities resources have been improved or they have been replaced. By Lucy & Olivia.

"I can't believe I

caught the rose!"

Jamie Thompson

Year 4 Visit To Holy Cross College

Year 4 recently visited Holy Cross 6th Form College to see a performance of Grimm's Fairy Tales. The trip was really entertaining and enjoyable. The students even came to visit Year 4 in

class to explain how the production was put together and taught children songs and actions to complement the production.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and

represented the school really well. Everyone who met them said how well behaved they were.

New Access Path To School

It won't be long before everyone is able to use our new access path to the front door. We have had this made so that parents and other visitors no longer have to walk down the lane and across the car-park to get to the front door. The old way was clearly not ideal and was dangerous for everyone particularly parents with

very young children.

The new gate will be open throughout the whole day so that parents visiting school on foot can walk down the path from Hollins Lane and straight into school without the need to mix with dangerous traffic.



New access gate and ramp

Year 5 Trip To Jodrell Bank

1st May 2015

Y5 went on a trip to Jodrell Bank for our topic which was Can we send another man to the moon? We enjoyed Jodrell bank and it was very exciting, we learnt a lot.

Whilst we were there we did a Mars Rover challenge where we had a list of items we had to use to create a device that we dropped from a height

with an egg inside and the aim was that egg would not crack. At Jodrell Bank we also went in the inflatable which showed us all the different type of stars and also fast forwards time. There was another activity called the Orrery which showed us the order of the planets from nearest the sun to furthest. The main

thing at Jodrell bank is the telescope which is not the type of telescope you look through it collects radio waves from space. Libby & Macy



Jake Hough - "To infinity and Beyond."

Easter Bonnet Parade

We finished the Spring Term with an Easter Bonnet parade on Thursday 2nd April. Many of the infant children had made beautiful bonnets and paraded in front of the whole school

and parents in the glorious sunshine. The juniors had been very inventive making really creative egg displays which were a wonder to behold. Many thanks to the

parents who attended and to the members of the PTA for organizing such a nice event to finish off the term.

"That was eggsactly what we needed at the end of a long term."

Meet The Staff—Mr Perkin

Q: What is it like teaching year 5?

A: It is good teaching year 5, the class works good most of the time and year 5 enjoy all topics

Q: Have you taught any other year 5 class?

A: Yes I have taught a year 5 year 6 class before. My first school was a y5 class.

Q: Why did you become a teacher?

A: I liked working with children, I like to share my knowledge and I love seeing the children smile when I help them to achieve something!

Q: Have you taught any other schools and what were your

previous jobs?

A: I used to work at Tottington Primary school. I used to work for a sports development and a youth service.

Q: Do you like teaching at Hollins Grundy?

A: I like teaching at Hollins Grundy because all the teachers and students are so kind. I have made lots of friends teachers and students.

Q: What is your favourite subject?

A: My favourite subject to teach is maths the children are very enthusiastic about it and so am I.

Q: What was your favourite subject at school.

A: My favourite subject was maths and geography but it was mostly geography

Q: If you weren't a teacher what would you have been?

A: I would have been an architect or I would have been in the RAF.

Q: If you could choose which sport you could do in P.E, what would it be?

A: I would teach either tag rugby or cricket probably tag rugby.

By Kiera and Ellen



Summer Term Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
April	20th—School Opens 8.55	21st—YR trip to Chester Zoo				Bury Sing	
		28th—Governors P&F meeting 5.30pm					
May					1st—Closing date for parent governor elections		
	4th—Bank Holiday						
	11th—Y6 SATs this week	12th—Governors full meeting 5.30pm			15th—PTA Quiz Night 6.30pm		
	18th—Y3 Trip to transport museum		20th—Robinwood mtg -5pm Intake meeting -6pm		22nd—Sports Day School closes 3.30pm		
	Half Term						
June	1st—School Opens 8.55	2nd—NO swimming for Y4 today	3rd—Class photos		5th—Robinwood group leaves		Robinwood returns
		9th—Governors P&F meeting 5.30pm	10th—Y1 trip to Blackpool Zoo		12th—Open Day		
	15th—Bikeability for Y5 & Y6			18th—Y5 football @ Castlebrook @ 4pm	19th—Non-uniform day for Fun Day		
		23rd—Governors Attainment mtg 5.30pm		25th—Non-uniform day for Fun Day	26th—School closed Teacher training Day		
		30th—Castlebrook Open Evening					
July			1st—Move up Day Induction Day @ Castlebrook		3rd—Non-uniform for Fun Day Mini Olympics at Castlebrook 6.00pm—FUN DAY		
		7th—Y4 at the Bridgewater Hall					
		14th—Last swim for Y4 KS2 show @ 7pm	15th—KS2 show @2pm	16th—KS2 show @ 7pm			
		21st—Leavers service 2.00pm	Summer Holiday				
	Summer Holiday						
August	Summer Holiday						
	Summer Holiday						
	Summer Holiday						
	Summer Holiday						
September		1st—School Closed Teacher Training Day	2nd—School Opens 8.55am				

Remember - More dates will be added to the calendar on the school website as events are organised.