# Holywood School Update and Thanks



# **50th Plaque**

A huge thank you to Mr Smith for the Fabulous plaque which now adorns the school front entrance.

A really beautiful reminder that the school has been open in this building for 50 years.





### We're still working on it....

Bags and mugs with Mrs Maddens 50th design on. Should be on sale soon.

The 50th Mural—Mrs Madden is back and is working on the mural with pupils during art on Big Thursday.

We are trying to haste on our local supplier for the 50th items and hope to have examples to show you soon.

Before our 6oth anniversary!

### Scottish Night at Holywood - Save the Date

We are hosting a family and friends Scottish Night in the school hall on Wednesday 28th March 2018 from 6pm:

- Pupils will entertain with Scottish songs and poems.
- Dinner of Haggis, Neaps and Tatties will be served.
- Everyone will be invited to join in a dance or two after dinner.
- Haggis Doorstops will be raffled.
- £1 coins will be rolled at bottles of whiskey.

More information and ticket forms to follow soon.

We will be getting organised in school but we need your help...

- Do you know a piper who will play for his / her supper?
- Do you know an accordion player who could throw out some ceilidh tunes?
- Can you help out at a haggis doorstop workshop?

#### **Ration Challenge**

Read all about the ration challenge and see the photos of the incredible dishes the P5-7 produced on the school blog. Congratulations to Dylan, Charlie , Kye and Lewis who made a scrumptious pie!

Staff judged the tough competition and very much enjoyed the tasting!

Go online and get some ration recipe ideas!



#### **Holywood Art Gallery**

Pupils across the school have been working on Famous Artists projects and their work will be on display.

#### Gallery open for viewing :

- Wednesday 14th March 2-4pm

- Thursday 15th March 8.30 - 9.30am

Please come along and see the pupils' work family and friends welcome!

#### Homework

Reminder: All pupils in school have a maths homework options pack. Hand in comment sheets signed by parents every Tuesday to get your name on the Maths Reward Chart. Well done to P1/2 who had most names on the chart last month. P3/4 and P5-7 pupils need to get working!!

#### **Homework Volunteers Needed**

We are going to pilot a new homework approach called Connect 4 - pupils would select tasks which are focussed on different curricular areas. Trying to connect four tasks in one month. Tasks are based on curricular areas such as science, literacy, PE and social studies.

If your family would like to try out the new approach for a month and give us some feedback please get in touch with Miss Dale who will organise a short information meeting.

#### Helping Hands Group

Paul from the Opportunities for All team has been at Holywood wth his helping hands team. The team consists of pupils from secondary school who are working on employability skills.

The team started to repair the Kenyan Round House and will be back to repair fencing and undertake some painting projects.

Always great to have a Helping Hand from our secondary friends!

## Well Done!

**Sonny** - who recently won his first medal for Boxing competitively. A gold medal! Sonny has been working hard to train for his first competition. Your efforts are paying off Sonny!

**Orla** - who recently danced at the opening of the Skating Competition at the Dumfries Ice Bowl. Teams of skaters travelled from across the globe to compete in the event. Next step Olympic Opening Ceremony?!

**Dylan** - who last week represented Holywood at the cluster badminton competition. Excellent skills and manner meant that Dylan won 5 of the seven games he played. We hope that our P6 pupils can build on his success at their competition.

#### **Tree Planting**

Holywood Parent Council have purchased a tree on behalf of the pupils at Holywood Primary School.

The tree will be planted in the Dock Park as part of the park ongoing development.

Holywood Pupils will be attending the planting ceremony next Wednesday 21st February. 12 pupils will be heading to the park for planting and a play.

Staff are going to select 4 hard working pupils from each class to go along. Further information to follow.

Family and friends from across the school are welcome to join us at the Dock Park from 10am—11.30 am.

Pupils from 3 schools will have their trees planted and plaques will be fixed naming the schools and the trees.

# Books

As we move into our new Reading Hub we are sorting through the books.

We have boxes of books which you can have a rake through and help yourself to. Please!

Please note your child might arrive home with books!



#### Thank you!

To Mr Moore for repairing the noticeboard at the infant fence. The doors blew off in the recent windy weather and needed a robust repair. Sorted!!