Parish news.

Hollinhey Primary School is well and truly full of the Christmas spirit, even in these unusual times, as we move towards the final days of this term. This year our Christmas performance is being filmed in sections and then edited to form a whole school production in which we are going to tell the story of Christmas through dance. There is nothing quite like Christmas in a primary school – we are hoping to keep things just as special for the children this year.

Play equipment

We have had some truly fantastic news this term regarding the replacement of our outdoor play equipment. We had been warned last year that it only had about 18mths of "life" left in it so, along with Friends of Hollinhey, we had planned to focus all fundraising events on upgrading this apparatus. Unfortunately we had to cancel the Summer Fair and we are not able to hold our Christmas Fair this year either. As a result we were starting to think that it might need to be removed without anything to replace it. Luckily Beech Hall School Trust (a local charity) have come to our rescue and following a successful grant bid they agreed to fully fund our new active play equipment. We can't thank them enough for their generosity. It looks amazing!



At Hollinhey we plan for children to fulfil their full potential; academically, socially, emotionally and to develop a life-long love for learning. This is why we think it is so important to have a curriculum which is designed to enrich and develop all aspects of children's learning.

This term we have needed to be a bit more creative with all aspects of our curriculum as we have not been able to have visitors into school or visits out to support the learning taking place in our classrooms. A good example of this occurred in Year 4 where they went on a "virtual school visit" organised through United Utilities.



Year 1 have been learning about The Great Fire of London and have been closely studying the diary of Samuel Pepys. The children were very excited to create their own diary, staining their paper to make it look authentic. The diary entries produced were fantastic!







All the children have been thinking about Remembrance this term too and have produced some lovely work in school. I hope some of you were able to see our contribution to the display in the Pleasance for Remembrance Day.





From the staff and Governors at Hollinhey Primary School I would like to wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Sarah Clough - Headteacher