# **HOLT COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

HEADTEACHER’S REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BODY

##### Spring Term 2022

This report covers the period from November 2021 to February half-term 2022

**1. THE SCHOOL ROLL**

School has on roll 59 full time pupils and 4 part- time pupils.

Nursery 4

Reception 3

Year One 5

Year Two 10

Year Three 9

Year Four 6

Year Five 12

Year Six 14

**2. SCHOOL ORGANISATION AND STAFFING**

#### In the Foundation Phase pupils are taught by Miss Jones with Mrs Furber. Nursery children attend morning sessions only.

Year Three /Four pupils are taught by Mrs Hughes on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Piggott on Thursday and Friday.

Year Five/Six pupils are taught by Mrs Hancock for 3 days and Mrs Cowley for 2 days per week. Carole and Alison work as Teaching Assisitants across the week supporting the Key Stage Two Teachers.

Mrs Hancock works in school all day on a Tuesday to give learning support to pupils with additional learning needs.

**NON TEACHING STAFF**

Secretary Mrs Sally Jeffs

Caretaker Cleaner Mrs Katrina Threadgold

Cook Mrs Abbey Skeoch

Senior Mid-day Supervisor Mrs Alison Jones

Mid-day Supervisor Mrs Carol Route

Teaching Assistants Mrs Julie Furber

Mrs Alison Jones support Years 5/6

Miss Kate Strudwick/Mrs Carole Route 1:1 support for Statemented child in Yr.6

Mrs Carole Route support Years 3/4

Miss Felicity Jones 1:1 support for a statemented child in Year 2

**3. CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT**

The teaching staff continues to pursue a wide variety of courses to up-date their knowledge and skills as we move towards the implementation of the new Curriculum for Wales in September 2022. Mrs Sturt continues to work very closely with our school SIA, Mrs Catherine McNamara to support with this. Mrs Cowley, Mrs Piggott and Mrs Hughes are also actively involved within the Humanities, Languages, Literacy and Communication and Health and Wellbeing AOLE’s.

Staff are continuing to plan topics with an emphasis on pupil voice across the Four Core Purposes and the Twelve Pedagogical Principles embedded in the new Curriculum for Wales. Catherine will continue to visit school with a focus on:

1. School progress from Previous Meetings
2. School’s processes for maintaining raising standards
3. Individual Local Authority/School Matters.

Mrs Sally Hughes and Miss Hannah Jones have completed the Middle Leadership Development Programme.

Miss Jones continues to support Newly Qualified Teachers through Induction as an External Verifier.

We are also currently focussing on the continuous implementation of the Digital Competency Framework building upon the skill development during the pandemic, working towards the Bronze Award within Cymraeg Campus and continuing to develop our provision for the more able and talented pupils and those with additional learning needs in line with the School Improvement Plan and ALN Transformation. The Eco Committee continues to work towards achieving the Green Flag Award.

As a Fair Trade school, we continue to participate in activities linked to this worthy cause.

As part of the Healthy School Scheme we continue to maintain our standards within the 7 Health topics for the ‘Welsh Network of Healthy School Schemes National Quality Award’. Mrs Hughes continues to work very closely with our Wellbeing Ambassadors to promote wellbeing across the school.

During the Autumn Term our pupils took part in Bike/Puncture Repair Training with Hannah Meulman.

**4. OUT OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

Sports Club is held every Friday this is run by the Pro Skills Team for pupils in years 3 to 6.

A Star Sports club was also held on Tuesday lunchtimes for those pupils in the Foundation Phase.

The children in Year 5/6 have been visiting Waterworld in Wrexham to participate in swimming lessons.

**5. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

As part of our RE/PSE Curriculum children in Years 1 to 6 have been working with PC Stuart, our School Liaison Officer.

Pupils in school prepared 36 shoe boxes for T4U, a tremendous and generous effort by the whole school community.

On 22nd December a Christmas Jumper Day was held to raise money for Save the Children. The sum of £46 was raised for this worthy cause.

A Show Racism the Red Card Day was held during the Autumn Term, raising £42.

Key Stage Two pupils experienced weekly gymnastic sessions with members of the Olympus Gymnastics Club.

We have been very fortunate to gain funds from the following groups to secure the finances to repair our outdoor play equipment.

Holt Community Council - £500

Holt Endowed Trust - £1685

Crewe by Farndon Church - £150

Go Fund Me – in excess of £1350

**6. INSERVICE TRAINING**

**AUTUMN TERM**

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| 4-11-21 | Melanie Sturt  Karen Hancock | Level 2 Safeguarding Training | All Priority Areas | Updated Safeguarding advice and guidance |
| 10-11-21 | Sharon Piggott | LLC CFW Working Party | Priority Target 1 | Unpicking the statements of What Matters |
| 11-11-21 | Melanie Sturt | WG - Professional Learning Developments | All Priority Areas | Updates on staff training for CFW/ALN |
| 15-11-21 | All Staff | Prevent Training | All Priority Areas | Training to support recognising the signs of radicalisation in pupils |
| 16-11-21 | Melanie Sturt  Karen Hancock | ALN Legal Training | Priority Target 5 | Updates on legal requirements on school with regard to ALN processes |
| 19-11-21 | Melanie Sturt | Darland Headteachers Cluster Meeting | All Priority Areas | Updates on Cluster Working Projects/ Covid 19 |
| 24-11-21 | Melanie Sturt | Estyn Drop In Session | All Priority Areas | Updates on the new Inspection Arrangements |
| 24-11-21 | Melanie Sturt  Karen Hancock | ALN Legal Training | Priority Target 5 | Updates on legal requirements on school with regard to ALN processes |
| 25-11-21 | Hannah Jones | Welsh In The Foundation Phase | Priority Target 3 | Raising the profile of Welsh including the Helpwr Heddiw |
| 30-11-21 | Karen Hancock | Darland ALNCO Meeting | Priority Target 5 | Updates on legal requirements on school with regard to ALN processes |
| 1-12-21 | Sally Hughes | H and W AOLE Working Party | Priority Target 1 | Unpicking the statements of What Matters |
| 1-12-21 | Melanie Sturt  Sally Jeffs  Tina Threadgoldl | Fire Alarm Training | All Priority Areas | Training on the new Fire Alarm system |
| 1-12-21 | Melanie Sturt | GWE Direction of Support | All Priority Areas | Update on support from GWE for the CFW |
| 2-12-21 | Sally Hughes  Lucy Cowley | KS2 Welsh Reading | Priority Target 3 | Using Welsh books during Guided Reading sessions |
| 3-12-21 | Sally Hughes  Hannah Jones | Middle Leadership Development Programme | All Priority Areas | Conclusion and evaluation of the school based projects |
| 8-12-21 | Lucy Cowley | Humanities AOLE Working Party | Priority Target 1 | Unpicking the Statements of What Matters |
| 10-12-21 | Karen Hancock | IDP Meeting | Priority Target 5 | Creation of IDP’s |

**SPRING TERM**

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| 17-1-22 | Melanie Sturt | National Training for Panel Members (NPQH) | All Priority Areas | Leadership Standards in contexts |
| 25-1-22 | Melanie Sturt  Tina Edwards | Redundancy and Redeployment Meeting | All Priority Areas | Understanding the procedures and documentation for Redundancy and Redeployment |
| 26-1-22 | Melanie Sturt  Hannah Jones | CFW Cluster Meeting | Priority Target 1 | Opportunities to revisit the Four Core Purposes into ‘Child Speak’ and skills coverage of each AOLE area |
| 2-2-22 | Melanie Sturt | CFW Meeting for Headteachers | Priority Target 1 | Opportunities to discover the training available to staff for the implementation of the CFW |
| 2-2-22 | Sally Hughes | Winston’s Wish – Giving hope to grieving children | Priority Target 5 | Strategies to support grieving children and young people in education / Positive responses to death |
| 11-2-22 | Karen Hancock | ALN Cluster Meeting | Priority Target 5 | ALN Cluster discussions |
| 16-2-22 | Lucy Cowley  Sally Hughes  Sharon Piggott | Humanities AOLE Working Group  Health and Wellbeing AOLE Working Group  Languages, Literacy and Communication AOLE Working Group | Priority Target 1 | Unpicking the What Matters statements |
| 17-2-22 | Melanie Sturt | CFW Meeting for Headteachers | Priority Target 1 | Information sharing lecture |

**7. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE**

Holt School buys in Maintenance service from the LEA and pay for our own repairs. Minor repairs to the roof have been made. Filters has also been replaced within the school kitchen with minor plumbing issues being addressed.

**8. FRIENDS OF HOLT SCHOOL**

The Fiends of Holt School continue to tirelessly raise funds for school. The FOHS have generously paid for the Panto and refreshments at the end of the Autumn Term.

**9. SCHOOL VISITORS**

In addition to our regular visitors the following people have also visited Holt School:

Catherine McNamara GwE School Improvement Advisor

PC Stuart School Liaison Officer

Barlows Alarms Security

Debbie Thomas Educational Social Officer

Gareth Hatten Attendance Officer

Matthew McCarthy Pro Skills

Alistair Ross A Star Sports

Colin Shepherd Hertel

Kath and Michelle School Nurses

Alex McEwen Fire Alarm Maintenance

Shaun Jones Hallam Heating

Dave Oxton WCBC ICT Team

Dave Ferrari Roof Repairs

Ian Duncan HSB Boilers

Katy Ellis Piano Teacher

Will Powell Guitar Teacher

Sophie Davies Violin Teacher

Hannah Meulman Sustans

Barry Halliwell BH Heating

Paul and Julie Edwards Olympus Gymnastics Club

Elly Gilbert Child First SLT

J Parlor Snowdonia Fire

Aled Pugh Jones LA Buildings and Maintenance

Claire Frost WCBC Health and Safety Audit

**10. HEALTH AND SAFETY**

The pupils’ accident book has records of minor accidents of grazed knees and bumped heads. Fortunately nothing major.

A Health and Safety Visit was conducted by the LA in November 2021.

**11. REPORTING TO PARENTS**

Parent Evenings are due to take place on March 8th and 10th.

**12. SECURITY**

There have been a few issues with the main door key entry system which have has been rectified.