



Hollybrook Junior School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

WORLD CUP 2018



FIFA WORLD CUP
RUSSIA 2018

The World Cup has finally kicked off and I wanted to let you know how we will be marking this international event at Hollybrook Junior School.

Firstly, we are making links between football and Literacy. We have already enjoyed a visit from the children's author, David Fuller, who writes football-related fiction stories. In addition to this, Tom Palmer, another respected children's author, will be writing a live World Cup story during the tournament. He publishes a new chapter every day and teachers will read this story to their classes; the story will also be made available in the school library. If you would like to follow the story at home, you can access it from the National Literacy Trust website: <https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/defenders-russia-world-cup-2018-football-story/>

From the point of view of writing, we will also be encouraging children to write match reports following each match, which will be displayed in school.

Secondly, we would like to involve children in finding out more about the countries taking part in this year's competition and therefore we are running a school sweepstake. Each class has chosen (from a seeded draw) 4 countries from the World Cup. They will then be able to research these countries as a class and also follow the fortunes of them in the tournament. Good luck to all classes as the class who draws the winning team will earn some extra playtime!

Finally, we are also holding our annual house football tournament this half term. In house groups, children will compete in a World Cup themed tournament. There will be more information about this nearer the time.

We know that some children are collecting stickers at home for the official World Cup sticker book. If they have any spare stickers, each year group has a blank sticker book to complete; please bring in spares and we will put them in to our year group book. Please note, we do not expect children or parents to specifically buy stickers for this – we are only collecting spares from those who have chosen to collect at home.

We are committed to promoting sport and raising its profile within school and hope to inspire the children with our World Cup events.

Thank you for your support,

Mr O'Brien
PE Leader

