



# Holbein's Magazine

*Find amazing pictures and  
information about your  
school and yourself!*



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## Hey guys!

This is the first time our school has ever published a newspaper in English, so we're hoping the content is interesting for you, our readers. We are about to create a second one which will be available by the end of this term.

This newspaper was a project we worked on during Lernen+ (English), a course for students whose English is close to or at a native level. In English+ we mainly discussed plans and ideas, checked how far we came with our project, but did most of the work at home. In total, we met seven times to discuss and always had a few weeks in between the meetings for working on our tasks.

What you are reading isn't exactly a newspaper - we won't really tell you news. This here is more like a magazine, since it consists of interviews with students, a few recommendations for you, events that happened last term, a recipe and a so called "fun page" with a request for sending in a possible school mascot, but you'll find out more about this later.

Our team consists of five people from second grade:



Alba is 13 years old. She plays the harp and loves spending time with her cats. She also enjoys RZG and BG.

Ela Keskinaslan (standing) is from class 2p. She is 13 years old and plays the violin, dances and plays tennis.



Janina Schellert is 14 years old and in the class 2p. In her free time, she loves to dance, to sing and to play the piano.

This is Alisha Zierleyn from the class 2p. She is 13 years old and does triathlon, synchronized swimming and plays the piano.



Katharina Gobsch is 14 years old and is in the class 2p. She loves ice skating.

# FLASHBACKS

## Holbein Choir

The Holbein Choir is an optional subject. Only people of the Holbein secondary school can be part of the choir. The choir is lead and managed by the teachers Bernd Müller and Melanie Müller. It doesn't matter which students come to the choir, they simply have to follow the rules. The choir always organises a big concert around November and a Christmas singing in December. The choir also sings at the first-graders greetings and the third-graders farewells.



2014



2015



2016



2017



2017



2018

But before the choir has the big concert, the choir needs to prepare for it. That's why they have rehearsals during and outside school time. These rehearsals are exhausting but at the same time a lot of fun. The songs are chosen by the choir leaders who always ask the choir students if they have an idea for a song before they decide on one. Most of the songs are in English or in German. Because the individual rehearsals are not enough, there is a camp for the choir students to help them improve. In the last evening there is a programme called «Bunter Abend». This evening is very funny as it involves dancing, singing and playing games. The choir camp also helps the soloists to practise their parts in a song with the choir. After the choir camp, there are only two weeks left until the concert. These weeks are usually really hard for the choir students. Many students of the Holbein secondary school, family members and friends of the choir students come to the concert. The concert is on two days: on a Thursday and a Friday.

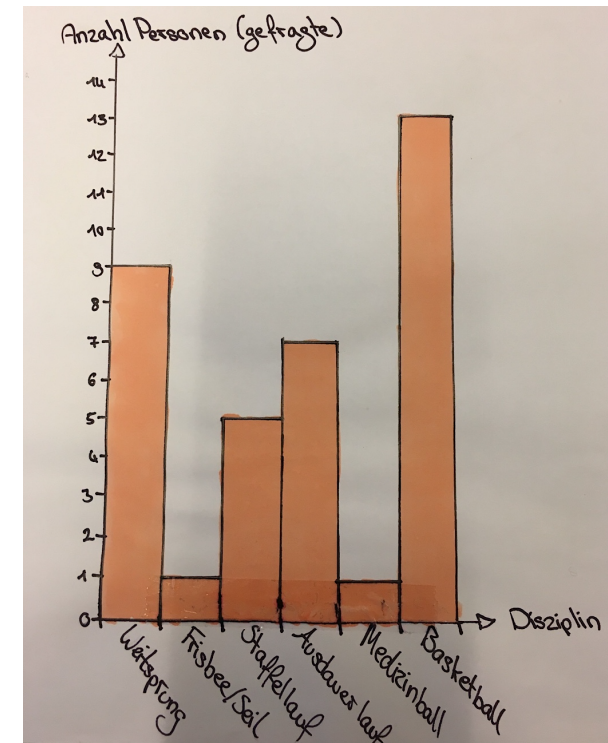


The choir is a fantastic place to learn new song and to have fun at the same time. It would be great, if more students would join the choir!

## Sports Day



## Most liked disciplines at sports day



We drew this graph with the help of information that we received from some people who we interviewed at this school. From each class we asked a girl and a boy which discipline they liked the most from the sports day. As you can clearly see, basketball got the most 'likes' from both genders. What is interesting though is the fact that a lot of first graders liked long jump the most, while very few third graders liked this discipline. To be specific, out of the whole third grade, only one person liked long jump the most. However, six people from first grade liked long jump the most. Conversely, more third graders liked Basketball than first graders.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### RECIPE: BROWNIES

baking time: 20 min – preparation time: 25 min – amount: 25 pieces

#### INGREDIENTS

- 50g butter or margarine
- 200g dark chocolate (crumbled)
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla sugar
- A pinch of salt
- 100g walnuts (roughly chopped)
- 75g flour



#### DECORATION (optional)

- Cocoa powder and/or cake glaze
- Sugar pearls

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 180°. Grease and flour a square pan
2. In a sauce pan melt the butter/margarine and the crumbled dark chocolate. Remove from heat and let it cool down
3. Stir the eggs, sugar, vanilla sugar, salt, flour and walnuts in a bowl.
4. Combine both mixtures
5. Spread the batter into the prepared pan. BAKE for about 20 min in the preheated oven.

#### DECORATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Wait for the brownies to cool down.

2. Dust with cocoa powder/cover with cake glaze/decorate with sugar pearls.

#### VARIATIONS

##### → WHITIES

Add 200g of white chocolate instead of dark chocolate and 3 tablespoons of cream to the usual brownie batter

Decoration (optional)

1. Melt 1 bag of white cake glaze (125g).
2. Cover the brownies.
3. Decorate with sprinkles and sugar flowers.

##### → TOBLERONE BROWNIES

Add 200g of Toblerone chocolate instead of dark chocolate. Add cinnamon instead of vanilla sugar.

Decoration (optional)

1. Decorate with Toblerone pieces or chocolate flowers.

### FEEL LIKE BAKING?

Bake the most delicious and amazing brownies! Brownies are like small chocolate cakes but juicier, more chocolaty and sweeter. In other words, brownies are magnificent.

If you ever feel hungry or want to bake, make these brownies. They don't only fill you up they also give you power and courage.

These brownies are perfect for the winter. They are very easy to make and can be eaten cold or warm. They are also brilliant for baking with your friend, as you can have fun decorating them and trying out different variations. But be careful, don't burn yourself!

Why are you waiting? Start baking! :)

## XOCOLATL

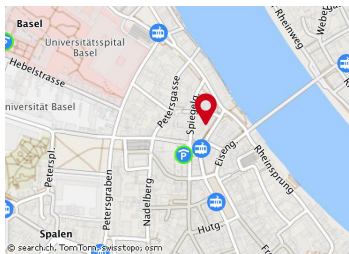
*a store that sells delicious hot and cold chocolate drinks  
for you*



You want to meet your friends in the city, but it's winter and cold outside? If that's the case, we would like to recommend this café which also has a store. Xocolatl sells different delicious hot and cold chocolates with over 50 different homemade chocolate flavors.

When you walk in, the first thing you see is their store. The store sells everything related to chocolate, so you can buy over 600 products from all over the world for your family, your friends or simply for yourself.

They don't just make hot or cold chocolate, they also sell cakes, in case you're hungry. You can just order something and have it as a 'to-go' or sit down and enjoy your drink or dessert comfortably.



### Location & Opening hours

- Marktgasse 6, 4051 Basel  
(near Schiffplände)
- Monday-Friday: 9.00 am - 6.30 pm
- Saturday: 9.00 am – 6.00 pm

[Website: www.xocolatl-basel.ch](http://www.xocolatl-basel.ch)

If you have any questions, please visit their website, it has all the information you need.

So, if you want to taste special chocolate drinks, you know exactly where you have to go now!

We hope you like it there and enjoy your time.



## SCHOOL INFO

### Interviews

We were interested in how our fellow students experience our school and made some interviews. We interviewed two students from each grade and asked questions about the school Holbein and secondary schools in general.

#### **First-Graders**

Why did you choose Holbein?

*I have stated Holbein as a choice because I live nearby and people from my old class have also chosen Holbein.*

Were you happy when you found out to which school you would go?

*Yes, I was happy because Holbein was my first choice.*

What do you think about our school now?

*I think it's a little strict but that's okay.*

Are you happy with your new class? What makes your class special?

*Yes I am, but we had a few arguments. All in all, my class is special because it's cool and called 1p.*

What do you think about the older students?

*They are sometimes a little arrogant. At times they say that they don't talk with younger students. I think that's not very nice.*

#### **Second-Graders**

Are the school lessons more challenging than in the first year?

*Since the teachers say that not everyone comes to the grammar school (Gymnasium) anymore, they increase the learning requirements but actually the difficulty of the school lessons are the same as in the first year of secondary school.*

What do you think about the electives?

*I like the electives because you can use them to improve your grades and you learn things from a new subject that you probably like.*

Would you appreciate it, when you could choose French as an elective and why would you?

*Yes, it would be an option because if you would like to learn French, then you could still choose it.*

Were you excited about the electives and why?

*Yes, I was very excited because MINT combines four different subject at the same time.*

Are you happy with the electives you chose? Would you do another elective or other electives? Why and which electives?

*Yes, I was very happy and I wouldn't choose any other elective because I think Italian is a great language and the lessons are good. The music lessons are also nice because I play the piano and I love music.*

### **Third Graders**

Do you think every next step will be harder than the third year in the secondary school and why?

*Yes, I do think that the following steps will be harder because I think the grammar school will be harder than the secondary school or other schools and teachings.*

Do you know what job you want to do in your future?

*Actually, I want to be a doctor or something like that because I want to help people and I am very interested in that subject.*

What are you going to do after secondary school?

*I will go to the grammar school because I think that's the right thing for me.*

## **FUN PAGE**

### **RIDDLES**

- a. I am full of holes but I can still hold water. What am I?
- b. What gets wet when drying?
- c. What gets larger the more you take away?
- d. What has two hands and a face, but no arms and legs?
- e. What can't be used until its broken?
- f. What owns many keys, but can't open a single door?
- g. What belongs only to you but is used more often by your friends?
- h. What can cry without a voice, fly without wings, bite without teeth and mutter without a mouth?



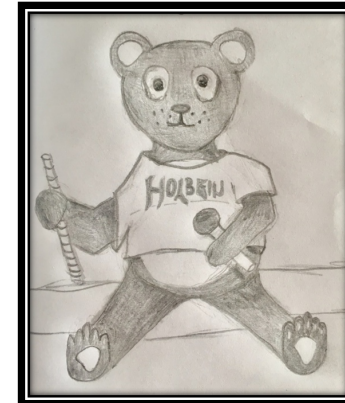
### **HOLBEIN MASCOT**

So, we think that our school is missing a mascot. We decided, we should draw one as a suggestion for you. This is a panda with a microphone and a bamboo-stick.

But we wanted you to participate in creating the mascot, too, since we all are part of this school. So, we decided to make this a competition. We would like you to send in a drawing of a suggestion for a mascot.

Please send in your mascots until the 26th of march to the following address:  
holbein.mascot@hotmail.com

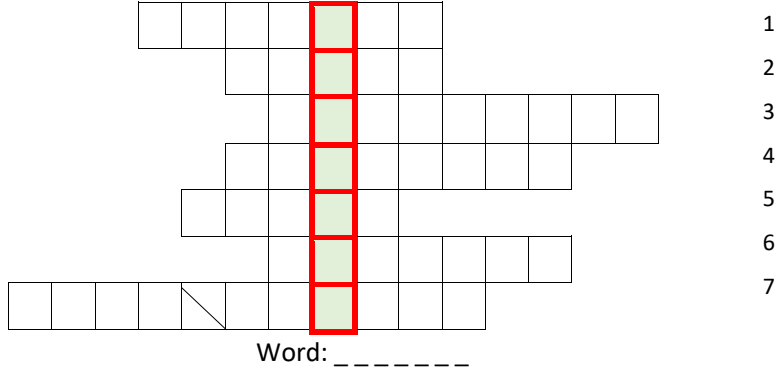
Maybe your suggestion will be in the next issue of Holbein Magazine!



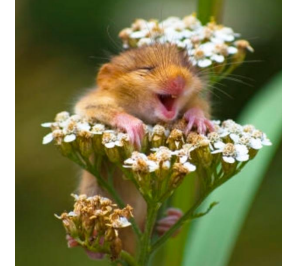


## CROSSWORD

1. A person who teaches especially in schools.
2. A group of singers.
3. A room in which a class of students are taught.
4. At school we have many \_\_\_\_\_.
5. At school we have to follow \_\_\_\_\_.
6. A room which contains books.
7. Our school is located in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Tip: also known as down-town)



## CUTE ANIMALS TO MAKE YOUR DAY BETTER



**ANSWERS-FUN PAGE**

**RIDDLES-ANSWERS**

a. A sponge  
b. A towel  
c. A hole  
d. A clock  
e. An egg  
f. A piano  
g. Your name  
h. The wind

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**CROSSWORD-ANSWERS**

1. Teacher  
2. Choir  
3. Classroom  
4. Subjects  
5. Rules  
6. Library  
7. City Centre