Dear Parents and Carers



Please remember you are invited to come into your child's class after school TODAY, 23rd May, to see what the children have been learning on Heritage Day. We have an art focus this year, where year groups have chosen to study the art of different cultures around the world.



I would just like to take this opportunity to say a big WELL DONE to all the children in Y2 and Y6 for their amazing attitude and focus during the KS1 and KS2 SATs. Whatever the results the children have tried their best and worked extremely hard. We are very proud of you, Y2 and Y6!

The results of tests and teacher assessments will be sent out at the end of the summer term.



Class Assemblies-

Octopus Friday 10th May- infant hall 9.10am Otter Thursday 23rd May infant hall 9.10am Owl Thursday 6th June infant hall 9.10am Please note class assemblies are NOT suitable for pre-schoolers as we want the children performing

to be heard. We do run a crèche with school staff. Thanks.



Meeting for parents of children starting school (new Reception) in September 2019, will take place TONIGHT, Thursday 23rd May, at 7pm in the infant hall.

This meeting is for adults only.

There will be no crèche. Come and find out about your child starting school in September.



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Tomorrow is the last day of term. School re-opens on MONDAY 3rd June. May 23.5.19 Heritage Day 23.5.19 7pm New YR Parents' Meeting June Y2 Tyntesfield visit 6th June Boys' cricket tournament 7th June Girls' cricket tournament 10th June pm- Reception Grandparents' visit Y5 Harry Potter trip Y1/2 RE Barnabus workshops Y4 Camp The Year 1 Phonics Check and Y2 Phonic re-checks will be administered in the week beginning 10th June.



Non- uniform day for the Summer Fayre

On the first Friday back after the half term (June 7th) we will be holding a non-uniform day and asking children to bring in donations for the summer fayre (June 29th). This will include items such as bottles, unwanted and unopened gifts such as toiletries and in-date food for the hamper raffle, as well as games, books and cuddly toys. The Friends are also looking for volunteers to run the stalls on the day and help with setting up and clearing away afterwards. Thank you.

Year 5 trip.

Reminder to our Year 5 parents that all payments for our trip to the Harry Potter Studios next term must be paid by the end of May. Please note that this trip will only run, assuming all payments are made Thank you.





Sports' Days

Parents and carers are invited to watch our Sports' Days on the following dates:

KS1 Sports' Day (YR-Y2) 21st June 2019

We need volunteers to help organise the activities at the infant site. Please see your class teacher if you can help.

KS2 Sports' Day (Y3-Y6) 14th June 2019

The juniors will walk to Oasis, Brislington who have kindly offered to host our junior sports' day again.

Further details to follow.



Summer Concert

Our musicians and choir invite you to their Summer Concert in the Upper Hall on 26th June at 6.30pm. Please make sure your child is regularly practising their part at home. We look forward to hearing them perform in the concert.



Governors' Corner

At the Health and Safety meeting Governors monitored the first aid books and accident reporting system to check correct procedures are being followed. They also discussed plans to make the infant building more secure with a double door system, as we have done at the junior site.

Governors are pleased to welcome a new community governor Daher Aden. Daher has experience of working in the areas of safeguarding and a background in frontline children's social services, policing as well as education charities. We are sure he will be an asset to the governing body.



Holymead Summer Fayre – 29th June, 12pm-2.pm.

This will be held on the larger junior site where of course everyone is welcome. We are planning lots of fun activities and stalls so please come along. If you are able to help out at all on the day, please contact the Friends' group at

holymeadfriends@gmail.com

Thank you.



Situations vacant: Holymead Primary School has a vacancy for a SMSA to supervise children at dinnertime. If you are interested,

please ask for details and an application form from Mrs Buckley, via the school office. Thank you.

School Rights Action Group.

The Rights Action Group on the infant site held a cake sale, after school on Monday 20th May. Thank you to everyone who participated. We raised £190.00 for our chosen charity Book Aid International.





Holidays in term time.

It is very unlikely holidays will be authorised as circumstances have to be really exceptional. AS A GUIDELINE PARENTS SHOULD ASSUME APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED AND YOU ARE LIKELY TO BE FINED FOR ANY

UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE OVER 4 DAYS (8 SESSIONS).

Fines start at £60 per child, per responsible adult. For example if you have 2 children in school and there are mum and dad sharing responsibility for the children then you will be fined £240. Fines rise if they are not paid on time. Fines are not only issued for children being taken on holiday but can be given out when children are kept off school for 4 days or more without the head teacher's authorisation.

PLEASE FILL IN A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FORM IN ADVANCE OF TAKING YOUR CHILD OUT.



Summer Uniformsummer dresses are purple or blue check. NO pink, yellow or any other colour.

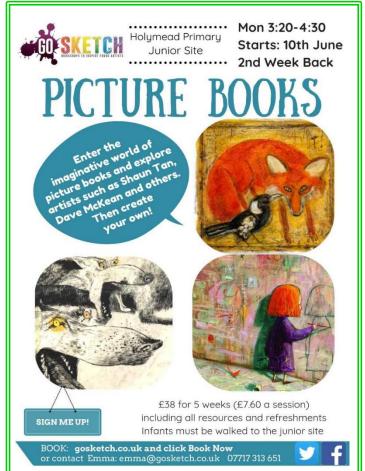
Pupils may wear **black or grey** school shorts. Casual/sports shorts are **not** suitable for school.

Sensible sandals that hold a child's feet securely may be worn in fine weather. Sandals should be black, navy, dark purple or white- again **no** pink or other colours.

Make-up should not be worn and hairstyles should be **sensible and appropriate for school** ie not unnatural colours or shocking styles.

Jewellery should not be worn in school (except small pierced earrings). There are some exceptions-please see the prospectus or talk to the head teacher.

Trainers and leggings are NOT school uniform and therefore should not be worn in school.





Reminder. Please note the school does not accept any liability for items brought in from home including mobile phones.

Please remind your child they are not allowed to bring any toys or games

including swapping cards and clip on toys on bags. The only exception is for Y6 who are allowed to bring pencil cases. Thank you.





Dinner money arrears.

We have a high amount of dinner money accounts in arrears at present. Please can we remind parents that

dinner money accounts on ParentMail MUST ALWAYS be kept in credit. Our school policy is that once an account for an individual child is in arrears of £10.00 or more, then a packed lunch <u>MUST</u> be provided for your child until such time as these arrears are cleared. A ParentMail will be sent to parents to advise them when accounts are in arrears and phone calls will be made home, should a school dinner be requested when there are arrears on the account. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.



Please note the school tries to pass on information it considers may be helpful or of interest to parents in this newsletter. We do not necessarily endorse or check the security and safety of the services on offer. Parents need to satisfy themselves that they are happy to leave their children at any of the clubs and services advertised which are not based on the Holymead School sites. Holymead School carries out DBS checks on clubs who have hire agreements with this school.



Term Dates 2018- 2019

Term 5

Wed 24th April to Fri 24th May 2019 (Tues 23rd INSET)

Term 6

Mon 3rd June to Fri 19th July 2019 (22nd, 23rd INSET) School will close for all BANK Holidays as normal. Term Dates 2019- 2020 Term 1 (INSET 2nd, 3rd Sept.) Wed 4th Sept- school year starts for KS1 and KS2 (new Y1 to Y6) Thurs 5th Sept- New intake Reception start. Fri 25th October- last day of Term 1. Term 2 Mon 4th Nov- Thurs 19th Dec 2019 (INSET 20th Dec) Term 3 Mon 6th Jan 2020 – Thursday 13th Feb 2020 (INSET 14th Feb) Term 4 Mon 24th Feb- Fri 3rd April 2020 Term 5 Mon 20th April- Fri 22nd May 2020 Term 6 Mon 1st June- Friday 17th July 2020 (INSET Mon 20.7.20)



Friends' Events:

17.5.19 – Thank you to the Friends for organising the ice cream sale on the junior site after school on Friday. **Coin Bucket June 2019**

This year we are asking parents to help raise money for school funds by organising a Coin weigh in. All legal tender coins welcome! We will carry out the activity in June so recommend children start saving their coins now! There will be a class prize of books for the heaviest bucket on the infant site and the heaviest one on the junior site. Thanks.



Year 4 PGL Camp

Please can I remind parents/carers of those year 4 children who will be attending the camp at PGL Tregoyd on Monday 17th June (for 2 nights), that the total balance must be paid in full by Monday 10th June 2019.

Please also ensure that all completed Health Forms are returned to Mrs May as soon as possible. Thank you.

Yours sincerely Ms Kate Slatcher Good Provider HTEL 2

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