

Dear Parents/Carers

The last day of this term is Thursday 13th February 2020. The school will be closed on Friday 14th February for INSET.

Term 4 starts on Monday 24th February.



Please look out for letters giving details of your child's spellings to learn over the holidays ready for the Spelling Bee when we return.



Toucan, 12th March- 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.



The Y6 SATs tests will be administered during the week beginning 11th May.

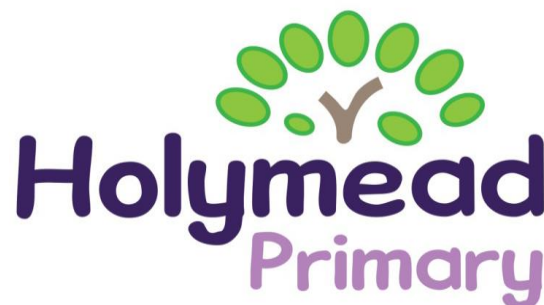
The Year 1 Phonics Check and the Y4 Multiplication Time table Check will be administered in the week beginning 8th June.

The Y2 SATs test will be administered during the month of May. It is therefore essential that Year 6, Year 1, Year 4 and Year 2 children are in school during these weeks so any requests for holiday/leave of absence during this week will not be authorised. If you need to attend a funeral or have an unexpected emergency during this week please see me or ring school immediately. Thank you.



Situations vacant:

Holymead Primary School has a vacancy for a SMSA to supervise children at dinner time. If you are interested please ask for details and an application form from Mrs Buckley, via the school office. Thank you.



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What's Happening

February

7th Feb Number Day

Safer internet week 10th Feb

Y2 Dance performance to parents 13.2.20 at 9.10am, 9.20 and 9.30 infant hall. See parentmail for details.

Y1 Parents' Meeting 12.2.20- Numbers and calculation 3.30pm, infant hall.

March

Spelling Bee

Friday 6th March- World Book Day celebrations

11th March- The Secret Garden theatre



The Friends' Group are in the midst of organising a few events over the next two terms, including a cake sale/spring sale on 20th March 2020 on the junior site and a quiz night on 27th March 2020. Further information will be released near the time. They do an amazing job raising funds for the school and have agreed to pay for lots of resources for the children.



Spare Clothes- we are very short of girls' socks and tights and larger size trousers for changing children. If you have spare clothing suitable for changing children when they have accidents please send them to the office. If your child is changed in school please wash and return any borrowed clothing. Thank you.



Parent's Evening

Parents' Evenings will take place on March 26th 3.30-6pm and 31st 3.30-6pm for infants (YR, Y1 and Y2) and 25th March 3.30-6pm and 2nd April 4.15-6.45pm for juniors (Y3-Y6). NB Rabbit Class will be 25th March and 31st at 3.30-6pm.

These meetings are not suitable for children to attend. **Please do not bring children to school for Parents' Evenings as there is no crèche and the school will not be supervising children.**

Staff run clubs will not run during Parents' Evenings, as teachers will obviously be in parents' meetings.



Y6 SATs' Revision Workbooks:

In response to requests from parents we are once again selling Y6 SATs revision workbooks for maths and

English (Reading, Grammar, Punctuation & spelling, Arithmetic and reasoning). These workbooks cover the Y6 curriculum and help children practise the skills that they have been taught over the year. They have proved very popular in the past and enable parents to support their children not only in preparing for the SATs tests, but in securing the skills that children will need as they make the transition to Secondary school.

These workbooks are now available to purchase from the school office and cost £3.00 each or you can purchase the whole set of four books for £10.00. Thank you.



What's the Buzz? The Bee is back!

Following on from the success of previous years' Spelling Bees we are holding our sixth annual Spelling Bee after the holiday. You can help your child by checking they are

learning their year group spellings. See your teacher or check the website for the year group spelling lists. There are year group prizes of a trophy and book vouchers to be won. It is a competition that is wide open so long as you practise the spellings. We have noticed a huge improvement in spelling in general throughout the school but it is most noticeable in those children who take their spellings home and practise them regularly. Parents who support their children really are making a difference.



Governors' Corner. We welcome Amy Callaway to Holymead as a new governor. Amy is a Human Resources Manager within a Financial Services organisation and she will sit on the Finance and Staffing committee. She is very passionate about quality education and providing the right opportunities, skills and resources for all.

Year 4 camp to Tregoyd PGL.

For those children who have paid their deposit in order to secure a place to attend the Year 4 camp to Tregoyd PGL in Brecon in June this year, the camp has now been costed accordingly. The option to pay further instalments of your choice is now available for you to purchase on ParentMail.

Year 6 Red Ridge Camp 2020.

Please can we remind the parents of those children who are attending the Year 6 camp in March 2020 that the balance is to be paid in full by Friday 6th March. Many Thanks.



Congratulations to Chinny, Clementine, Albert and Stanley for performing with such distinction in the Bristol Grammar mathematics Challenge on

23rd January. The two teams performed extremely well and were a credit to the school!



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

into school are brought in at the owner's risk.

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.

PLEASE!! NOTE

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.



Munchkin Markets

Buy and sell new and preloved baby and childrens items!

Free goody bags for the first 50 buyers!

St Annes Church, Brislington, Bristol, BS4 4EL

Saturday 29th February

1.30pm - 3.30pm

Entrance Fee: £1 Adults Munchkins Free

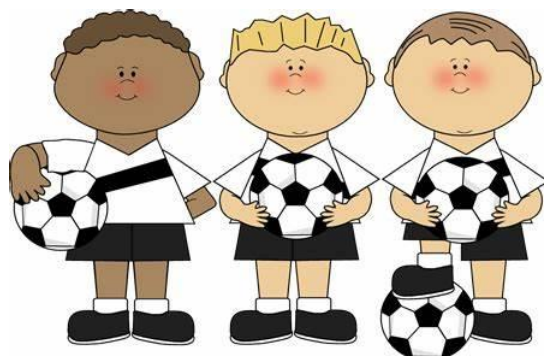
Book your stall today and keep 100% of your profits!!

£10 a stall - £20 for business/craft stall

To book a table or for more info, please contact 07921865981

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Sport Report. It was a pleasure to watch the Boys' Football Tournament at the South Bristol Sports' Centre last week. Over the past two weeks we are hoping that 6 wins, 2 draws and a loss should be enough to get Holymead A team through to the South Bristol football finals. Holymead B, the development squad, worked tirelessly to get 2 wins and 2 draws in a great evening's football. The comradery, sportsmanship and positive attitude of both teams was outstanding.



On-road Cycle Training

Bikeability Holiday course for ages 9-12 years

Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th February 2020



Get the skills & confidence to ride on-road

- Bikeability Level 2 for primary school pupils
- 6 hours of training over 2 mornings
- A great way to get active this half term!

For more information and to book:

<https://www.lifecycleuk.org.uk/bristol-holiday-courses>

Courses are partially funded by Bristol City Council for local young people. The additional cost to families is just £20

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Paediatric First Aid Certificate

Useful for those working with or hoping to work with babies and children as well as parents and carers wanting to learn basic first aid skills

Tuesdays from 21st April to 2nd June from 9.00 to 11.30

At Holymead Primary School, Wick Rd, Brislington, BS4 4HB
Free if you get benefits or are on a low income

To book a place contact
Wendy Kelly, Family Link Worker
or the school office.
School phone number
0117 9030377



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Term Dates 2019- 2020

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 school closed)



TERM DATES

Term Dates 2020-2021

Term 1

1st Sept 2020 school closed for INSET
2nd Sept 2020 KS1 and KS2 start (all current pupils)
3rd Sept 2020 New Reception start part time.
Other dates are the Bristol website but DO NOT include our INSET dates.

Safer Internet Week w/b 10th Feb: Keeping up to date with your children's use of technology can be a challenge, especially if you feel that your children may have better technical skills than you do. However, children still need support and guidance when it comes to managing their lives online and using the internet positively and safely. A simple and effective way to get involved with your children and their lives online is through discussion.

Conversation starter ideas: Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

Ask them about how they stay safe online. What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

- Ask them if they know where to go for help, where to find the safety advice, privacy settings and [how to report](#) or block on the services they use.
- Encourage them to help. Perhaps they can show you how to do something better online or they might have a friend who would benefit from their help and support.
- Think about how you use the internet as a family.
What could you do to get more out of the internet together and further enjoy your lives online?



Further information about these issues is available from ChildNet or Thinkuknow.co.uk and on the school website.

Yours sincerely
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