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IS YOUR  
CONTACT  
INFORMATION  
UP-TO-DATE?



Dear Parents/Carers

**Up to date Data, held by the school.**

Please can all parents and carers ensure the school is updated with current telephone numbers

(mobile, work, home), addresses and any other relevant information (such as emergency contacts, dietary needs of children and medical needs that staff should be aware of). It is important that the school holds up-to-date information in case of an emergency. Thank you.



**Toucan**, 12<sup>th</sup> March- Infant Hall, 9.10am

**Tiger**, 19<sup>th</sup> March- Infant Hall, 9.10am

**Flamingo**, 24<sup>th</sup> March Middle Hall 2.45pm

**Firecrest**, 24<sup>th</sup> March Upper Hall 2.45pm

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 11<sup>th</sup> May.

**The Year 1 Phonics Check and the Y4 Multiplication Time table Check** will be administered in the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> 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 SMTA 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.

**March**

Parents' Evenings- details below

YR Chew Valley Farm

Y1 Pavement Professors- road safety

Y1 Court Farm visit

Y6 Life skills, Arnos Vale and Camp

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day celebrations.

Please dress up as a book character on FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup>.

11<sup>th</sup> March- The Secret Garden theatre Y1-Y6.

Please send £3 donations in an envelope to your class teacher. Thank you.

1<sup>st</sup> May Shoofly Theatre for YR only.



**The Friends' Group** are in the midst of organising a few events over the next two terms, including a cake sale/spring sale on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 on the junior site and a quiz night on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Further information will be released near the time. The Friends 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 26<sup>th</sup> 3.30-6pm and 31<sup>st</sup> 3.30-6pm for infants (YR, Y1 and Y2) and 25<sup>th</sup> March 3.30-6pm and 2<sup>nd</sup> April 4.15-6.45pm for juniors (Y3-Y6). NB Rabbit Class will be 25<sup>th</sup> March

and 31<sup>st</sup> at 3.30-6pm. Toucan Class will be 26<sup>th</sup> March and 2<sup>nd</sup> April with Mrs Thomas.

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.**

**Special Educational Needs:** Both of the school's SENDCOs, will be available to talk to parents about their children's progress, if they have special needs. Mrs Cole (KS2) will be available on 25<sup>th</sup> March from 3.00pm – 5.30pm and Mrs Holbrook (KS1) will be available on 26<sup>th</sup> March from 3.30pm to 6.00pm. To pick a 10 minute slot please call the office when you have your appointment time for parents' evening. Many thanks.



### Red Nose Day – Comic Relief.

Children can wear red noses, a red tee-shirt or red nose charity merchandise on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March and bring in a £1 for charity.



### 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.

### Year 4 camp to Tregoyd PGL.

Please can we remind the parents of those children who are attending the Year 4 camp to Tregoyd PGL

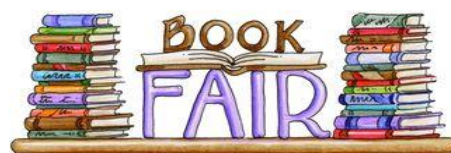


in June 2020, that a total of £170.00 must be paid before the end of Term 4 (Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020). The full balance is to be paid by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020

### 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 6<sup>th</sup>**

**March.** Outstanding payments will be reminded imminently. Many thanks.



### Book Fair on the junior site.

The Scholastic book fair will be on the junior site from 26<sup>th</sup> March until 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020. Please feel free to come along and spend your World Book Day tokens on a book. Thank you.



**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** 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.





### 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.

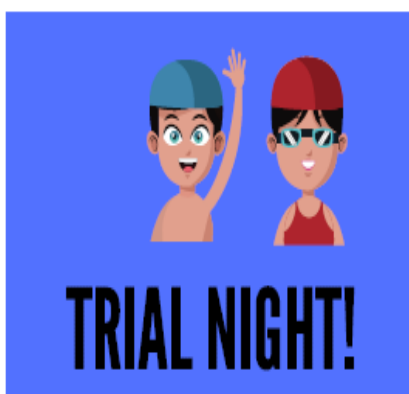
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## BRISTOL'S PREMIER SWIMMING CLUB

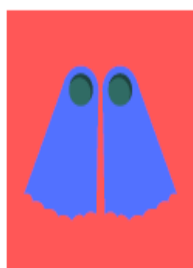
IS LOOKING FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF GREAT TALENT! IF YOU ARE IN LESSONS STAGE 5 OR ABOVE AND WANT TO TAKE YOUR SKILLS TO THE NEXT LEVEL THEN SWIMMING CLUB IS DEFINITELY FOR YOU!

OUR ACADEMY OFFERS A GENTLE INTRODUCTION INTO COMPETITIVE SWIMMING, IMPROVING TECHNIQUES, INCREASING STAMINA AND OVERALL FITNESS BOTH IN & OUT OF THE POOL



## TRIAL NIGHT!

**THURS MARCH 5TH  
REDCLIFFE SCHOOL POOL 7-7.45PM**



**New friends New skills New goals**

**FOR FURTHER DETAILS PLEASE**

**CONTACT**

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## EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Holidays in term time. It is unlikely holidays will be authorised during term time as circumstances have to be really exceptional. AS A

**GUIDELINE PARENTS SHOULD ASSUME APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR HOLIDAYS 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.

## COMMUNITY LEARNING

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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  
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## TERM DATES

### Term Dates 2019- 2020

#### Term 4

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Feb- Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020

#### Term 5

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> April- Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

#### Term 6

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> June- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020

(INSET Mon 20.7.20 school closed)

### Term Dates 2020-2021

#### Term 1

(1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2020 school closed for INSET)

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2020 KS1 and KS2 start (all current pupils)

3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2020 New Reception start part time.

Last day Term 1 – 23.10.20

#### Term 2

2.11.20- 17.12.20 (18.12.20 INSET)

#### Term 3

5.1.21- 12.2.21 (4.1.21 INSET)

#### Term 4

22.2.21- 31.3.21 (1.4.21 INSET)

#### Term 5

19.4.21- 28.5.21

#### Term 6

8.6.21- 21.7.21 (7.6.21 INSET)

School is always CLOSED on Bank Holidays.



**PE kit:** is a purple tee shirt and black shorts in a purple dap bag. Black or white tee shirts and shorts are an acceptable alternative but no club football kits etc.

ALL UNIFORM, INCLUDING PE KITS MUST BE LABELLED CLEARLY.

**Back Packs** are not allowed on the infant site, as space is very limited.

**Pencil Cases:** pupils are NOT allowed to bring pencils and pencil cases to school. The only exception to this is in Y6 where pupils are getting ready for using their own pencil cases and equipment in secondary school.

Yours sincerely  
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