Thursday 20th October 2022 Number 4, Term 1

Holymead Primary

Nurture, Inspire, Achieve

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a lot of fun the children had dressing up for Aspirations' Day and what a breadth of variety of things they want to be when they grow up. It was a delight to talk to the children about their hopes and dreams for the future and to relate that to what they are learning in school now that will help them achieve those ambitions. Thank you for the £1 donations towards the Shoebox Christmas Appeal.

Friends' AGM NEW DATE 4.11.22

Please join us after half term at drop off on the infant site to get involved in the forthcoming events that the Friends organise. We are always looking for new volunteers to join the group so please come along. Pre-schoolers welcome.

Harvest Festival

Thank you for your generous donations of food for Harvest. All items will be sent to the Easton Food Bank, Bristol. Thank you for supporting this local cause.

Dinners

Universal Free School Meals (UFSM) are available on the infant site. That means everyone up to and including Y2 can have free hot dinners. At the same time, you can also apply for free school meals (even if your child is currently in receipt of UFSM) if you think they are entitled, as this will also make them eligible for pupil premium funding.

For KS2 (juniors), hot dinners will be increased to **£2.45** a day from 22nd October 2022. All school dinners must be paid online using the ParentMail facility. Dinner money accounts must always be held in credit. If you think you are eligible for free school meals (FSM) please ask the office for further details.

WAS YOUR CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1st SEPTEMBER 2018 AND 31st AUGUST 2019?

If they were, you need to be applying for a school place for September 2023.

There will be tours of the infant site for prospective parents looking for a Reception place for **September 2023 on 22.11.22 at 9.10am and 10.00am.**

Tours must be booked by phoning the office on 01173772381.

Please leave your name and contact number.

If you do not wish to look round in person then please see the Head teacher's virtual tour and FAQs on the school website http://www.holymeadp.bristol.sch.uk/web

We look forward to hearing from you.

Class Assemblies for parents- Junior Site

Tuesday 29th November 2.45pm

Fox – Middle Hall

Tuesday 29th November 2.45pm

Firecrest – Upper Hall

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

What's Happening

October
The last day of this term is TOMORROW 21st October. Term 2 starts on TUESDAY 1st November. (Mon 31.10.22 closed for INSET)

November
Y2 visit to St Luke's Church
Y2 Fire Service Talks
Y3 St Fagan's' visit
8.11.22 KS2 Film Night and KS1 Bedtime Story – fundraising for Water-aid at the RAG group's request
14.11.22 Y6 Height and weight measures; online consent forms have been sent out.
18.11.22 Non-uniform day to bring in donations for the Hamper Raffle/ Children in Need
December
1.12.22 Beauty and Beast- Theatre in school
NHS seasonal flu (not covid) nasal vaccines 8th Dec. Consent forms will be sent to parents nearer the time.

If you can spare a few minutes, we would be grateful if you could go onto the OFSTED website to fill in the parent and carer questionnaire. This gives the school feedback on what we need to do to improve and gives OFSTED a good indication of what parents and carers think of the school. Here is a link to the OFSTED parent and carer questionnaire site: https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

Cyber Security

As well as schools having a good understanding of cyber security, it is really important for parents and children too. Internet Matters have put together a really good, simple article so that parents can learn more about cyber security which you can access at:

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/what-is-cybersecurity/.

Developing our School Curriculum
Black History Month
A diverse and representative school curriculum will recognise the contribution of people from different cultures and nations throughout the world.

We therefore feel it is important that Black History Month is a focus for our pupils as it provides pupils with the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact and contribution of black heritage and culture.

During Black History Month this October, we will explore and celebrate the impact and contribution of people from African and Caribbean backgrounds, as well as people from various cultures and nations including Asia, the Americas, the Middle East and Australasia.

Black History Month is part of our vision to deliver a diverse and representative curriculum throughout the school year and supports our work in addressing issues relating to inclusion, equality and diversity.

Parents' Evenings
EYFS and KS1 If you missed Parents' Evening, please see your class teacher to rearrange a meeting time.

KS2 Parents' Evenings will be on 15th November between 3.30pm and 6.00pm and 24th November between 4.00pm and 6.30pm.

Parents' Evening bookings will need to be made using our online booking system via our ParentMail App. These meetings are not suitable for children and there are no crèche facilities.

Please note that teacher run clubs cannot operate on parents' evenings as teachers are meeting parents.

Senco Meetings: Mrs Phillips and Mrs Davies will be available to talk to parents about their children's progress, if they have special needs. Please phone the office when you have made your online booking for Parents' Evening.

The Scholastic Book Fayre will be on the junior site from 11th to 17th November.

Please come along and browse the wide selection of books available for you to purchase for your child. The more books we sell the more commission we get to buy books for the school. Thank you for your support.

SMSA vacancy

Holymead Primary School has a vacancy for an SMSA to supervise the children at lunch times. Our SMSAs are integral members of staff and are highly valued. If you are interested or know someone who may be interested but is not necessarily connected to the school, please ask for further details and an application form from Mrs Holland, via the school office. Thank you.

<u>Term Dates 2022-2023</u>

Term 1

Pupils start Monday 5th September- 21st October

Term 2

Closed for INSET Monday 31st October 2022

Re-opens Tues 1st November- 16th December 2022

Term 3

Closed for INSET Tues 3rd Jan 2023

Re-opens Wed 4th Jan-10th Feb 2023

Term 4

Mon 20th Feb- 31st March 2023

Term 5

Mon 17th April-26th May 2023

Term 6

Mon 5th June-Thurs 20th July 2023

Closed for INSET Fri 21st July 2023

<u>Term Dates 2023-2024</u>

Term 1

Closed for INSET 1st September 2023

Pupils start Monday 4th September (except new reception who start Wed 6th September, part time) -20th October 2023

Term 2

Closed 30th October 2023 for INSET.

Pupils start Tuesday 31st October- 15th December

Schools are closed for Bank Holidays.

Holidays in term time. It is very unlikely holidays will be authorised as circumstances have to be really exceptional. However, it is still important that applications are made so there is a record in school. AS A GUIDELINE PARENTS SHOULD ASSUME APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR A HOLIDAY 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. Please fill in a leave of absence form in advance of taking your children out. Note, you can still be fined if you take an unauthorised holiday but don't fill out a form.

Governors' Corner

Holymead Primary School has a vacancy for a co-opted governor. This position is open to parents or carers and wider members of the community. If you are interested in being a governor and have the following skills:

Health and Safety
Finance
Safeguarding

Please see the advert on parentmail and email Jessica Coggins, chair of governors, via office@holymeadprimary.co.uk

Please meet one of our new parent governors, Kaylene Alder**. (More introductions to follow).**

I'm very excited to be a parent governor at Holymead. Formerly a primary school teacher, I now work in the senior leadership team of a primary school in Hackney and for the Department for Education as well as doing a bit of freelance illustration. My daughters are in Year 2 and Reception. I am on the Curriculum, Standards and Inclusion committee and am the link governor for SEND and Children in Care. I am passionate about creativity, in education and equality, diversity and inclusion. I look forward to continuing to work with the governing body and supporting the school and its children to be creative, safe and brilliant.

Secondary School Applications.

Please can we remind our current Year 6 parents and carers, that the deadline for Secondary School applications for the academic year 2023-2024 is **31st October 2022**.

All applications need to be submitted online. Please use the link below. Applications can be changed at any point up to 31st October 2022

https://parent.bristol.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/admissions

The Cabin

At Holymead we are delighted to be expanding the use of our new Cabin for outdoor learning. All age groups use this space for a variety of activities including identifying and drawing plants and mini-beasts as part of science and art; studying the weather in geography; story-telling as part of well-being and literacy; shape walks in maths and imaginative play and seasonal walks in EYFS and other year groups.

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 and carers 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 to run children's clubs with this school.

School Uniform.

Uniform gives us a sense of community belonging.

All uniform needs to be ordered online (with logo) or bought from any shop (without logo). We stock different sizes of sweat shirts etc so you can try on a sample to get the right size before ordering.

If you have any problems with uniform, eg both sweat shirts are in the wash on one day or you're waiting for new trousers to arrive, please explain your circumstances to a member of staff.

Polo Shirts: These can either be plain white or dark purple in colour.

Shoes: Children need to have black school shoes for school.

Please note black jeans, leggings (unless for PE) and hooded tops must not be worn in school.

ALL UNIFORM, INCLUDING PE KITS MUST BE LABELLED CLEARLY.

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

Roads around school sites.

Parents please think about the safety of our children when driving and parking around school.

Please don't park on the zig zags.

We have put out parking signs and we've rung the police to come and monitor dangerous driving and parking around school. If you see dangerous driving and parking, please report it to:

https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/

The more parents who report dangerous driving the more likely police and highways agencies are likely to listen.

Reminder to all.

Please can we remind all visitors to our school that for health and safety reasons, we do not allow children or adults to ride bikes and scooters on the school playground. Anyone caught doing so, will be politely asked to dismount and walk to their school destination.

Please can we also take this opportunity to remind you that dogs are not allowed anywhere on school premises. Thank you for your cooperation.

School Rules

Toys, games, pencil cases, mobile phones etc are banned in school as they can cause arguments and lead to problems. Pupils will be provided with all the stationery they need in school. The exception to this is Y6 where pupils can bring their own stationery as they prepare for secondary school. Please note the school does not accept any liability for items brought in from home including mobile phones and bikes. All items brought into school are brought in at the owner's risk. Parents and carers must sign the mobile phone or cycling agreement before letting their child bring a phone/cycle to school.

Grassroots Sports Bristol

October Half Term Holiday Club

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We at **Grassroots Sports Bristol** in partnership with **Young Bristol** are delighted to inform you that we are going to be running a **Multi-Sports Holiday Club** at BS14 Youth Club, Stockwood BS14 8SJ from Monday 24th – 28th October 2022.

SPORT CLUB	CLUB OPEN TO	TIME	DATES	COST PER CHILD
MULTI-SPORTS This includes Football, Athletics, Cricket, Hockey, Basketball, Netball, Volleyball, Games, Arts & Crafts & Much More!	All children aged 5-12	Normal hrs: 9:00 - 3:00. Extended hrs: 08:30 - 4:30.	24th – 28th October	Weekly: Normal Hours - £70 Extended Hours - £95 Daily: Normal Hours - £21 Extended Hours - £26

For More Info or to book a place, please contact Jeff Dickens via: Phone – 07877287072 or Email - jeffreydickens@hotmail.com. Limited Spaces Available!

To Secure your place a 50% Deposit is required by the Friday 21st October! You can do this by either contacting Jeff Dickens Direct or By Bank Transfer: ACC No -52293982 Sort Code 09-01-29

Booking Form

– Please hand form in on first day of club!

Name: ..... DOB: .....

School: .....

Home Address:

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..... Postcode: .....

Home Telephone: .....

Mobile: .....

Emergency no: .....

Medical requirements: .....

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*Payment enclosed: .....

Parent/Guardian name: .....

Signature: ..... Date: .....

Training and games Sunday morning, Tuesday and Thursday (group dependant)
Please contact FB page Bristol Harlequins RFC Juniors
or alternatively email info@bristolharlequins.com

Everyone welcome!

BRISLINGTON COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST AND SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

FRIDAY 12:30-5PM AND SATURDAY 10-4PM

ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH, HAMPSTEAD ROAD, BRISLINGTON, BS4 3HW

Come along to find out about all the great things happening in Brislington.

For more information, please contact Jen on 07920 592770 or jennifer.cave-ayland@nhs.net

Revive Fitness Classes
www.revivefitnessclasses.co.uk

Advance booking essential

Class Timetable

Brislington - Whitchurch, Hengrove and Knowle
Live on ZOOM ~ On-demand 24/7

HOLYMEAD PRIMARY SITE in the Hub

All Venues
Holymead Primary Sch. Hub, Entrance Rossall Rd, Brislington, BS4 4HB
Christ Church Hall, Petherton Rd, Hengrove BS14 9BP
Bridge Farm Primary Sch, East Dundry Rd, Whitchurch BS14 0LL
Knowle Community Centre, The Square, Crossways Road, BS4 2ST

Monday

6.15pm - 7.05pm **Kettlebells** A non-stop, full-body workout with a weight. Work your entire body, improve muscle tone, burn fat, increase fitness and endurance. Kettlebells provided. You will need an exercise mat.

Tuesday

11.30am - 12.30pm **Strength & Active** Low impact resistance training and fitness for active older adults and beginners. Aimed at improving posture, balance, strength, fitness, mobility and flexibility. You will need an exercise mat.

6.15pm - 7.05pm **Kettlebells** A non-stop, full-body workout with a weight. Work your entire body, improve muscle tone, burn fat, increase fitness and endurance. Kettlebells provided. You will need an exercise mat.

7.30pm - 8.30pm **BREATHE with PureStretch** A fun and friendly approach to stretching and core. Imagine a mix of Yoga, Pilates, stretch and abs all in one. Loosen-up, relieve tension and feel energised, yet relaxed. We always finish with a short, guided relaxation. You will need an exercise mat.

Wednesday

6.15pm to 7.05pm **Beginner ReBounce** Bounce your way to fitness with this high-intensity, low-impact workout on a Rebounder (mini-trampoline). It's lots of fun, kind to your joints and a great way to improve cardio fitness and burn fat. Suitable for complete beginners. No complicated choreography and low intensity options.

7.40pm to 8.20pm **SHRED** The ultimate body shaping, fat burning workout. Its a mix of cardio, core and strength with options for beginners and the super fit! Great fun and high energy. Please bring an exercise mat.

Thursday

11.30am - 12.30pm **Strength & Stretch** Low impact resistance training and stretch for active older adults and beginners. Slower paced than other classes, but just as effective. Aimed at improving posture, balance, strength, mobility and flexibility. Chair options available. You will need an exercise mat.

6.30pm - 7.30pm **Boxercise** - Boxing fitness and coaching. Its an energetic, fun workout for the whole body as well as great stress relief. You will need a mat for floor work and stretches.

Friday

6.10pm - 7.10pm **Revive Jumps** -Aerobic workout on rebound boots. Dance and jump to some great tunes, whilst the boots remove up to 80% of the impact through your joints. Its a fun workout that burns lots of calories and seriously improves your cardio fitness.

Prices

PAYG 50/60 mins £6.50 | PAYG ReBounce £6.75 | PAYG Jumps inc. boot hire £8

Discounted bundles and 4 weekly passes available
Choose an option to suit your schedule and your budget

Fitness Instructor 2020 WINNER 2020

How to book a class

We use the GymCatch App to take bookings for our classes. If you don't already use GymCatch, please register for your free account, by visiting our website www.revivefitnessclasses.co.uk

Tel enquires
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Join our growing community

Any questions?
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Yours sincerely
Ms Kate Slatcher

Rights Respecting Schools Article 13: Children have the right to get and to share information

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