

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to Term 6 everyone. We hope you had a lovely long weekend. The summer term is always a busy one with trips and end of term activities.

We were hoping to be able to hold our KS2 Sports' Day at Oasis Brislington this year, but unfortunately this is looking unlikely as they are having major works done. If we have to hold our Sports' Day on our junior site, then we will have to limit how many parents can watch in the playground (1.7.22). Further details to follow.

We are inviting KS1 parents to watch KS1 on the playground (8.7.22). Each year group will have an hour outside as follows:

9.15am – 10.15am Year 2 children
10.30am - 11.30am Year 1 children
1.45pm – 2.45pm Reception children



Staff are starting to prepare new class lists for next year. ALL the classes will be mixed up. We try to put children with a friend and split up those who don't work well together. This is a complex task as classes also need to remain balanced with even numbers of girls and boys of different abilities. Staff ask the children to name a couple of friends that they try to put them with **BUT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO GUARANTEE THAT YOUR CHILD WILL BE WITH ALL THEIR FRIENDS.**

We realise this can be an anxious time, usually more so for parents than children! We find the children are actually very adaptable and make new friends quickly in September so please don't worry.

By the time children get to Y4 or above, it may not be possible to meet everyone's historic requests for children to be apart or together. If a request was made to separate children eg in Y1, it may no longer be relevant to still keep those children apart in Y5, as relationships change. If you feel a historic request is still relevant more than a year on, please see your class teacher NOW to raise this.

What's Happening

Dates for the Diary

June

Next Gen photographer- June 16th (infants) and 29th (juniors).

Y4 Mendip Activity Centre

New YR transition visits to the hall and classrooms

Y2-Y3 Buddy up transition visits

Y2 The Wild Place visit

Y1 Noah's Ark Farm visit

24.6.22 Global Day

July

Sports Day 1st July (juniors), 8th July (infants)

Y3 St Fagan's visit

7th Shuffle Up - new classes announced

12th Open Day

13th Head teacher Tours for prospective parents on the infant site at 9.10am and 1.15pm.

13th Infant Disco

15th Infant Face painting

18th Y6 Leavers' Disco

20th Y6 Leavers' Assembly

Y6 Brean trip



School Spaces in Reception

Due to the falling birth rate and other external factors, we find ourselves with spaces in our new Reception Classes. We are looking to our parents to spread the word as ambassadors for Holymead! If you know of parents who didn't get their preferred school and are looking for a Reception place for September 2022, please ask them to contact the school.

There have also been a lot of house moves post Covid and we have a few spaces in other year groups if you know of new families who have moved into the area.

We look forward to welcoming new families.

Infant office: 0117 3772381

Junior office: 0117 9030377

School Uniform



Summer Uniform- summer dresses are purple or blue check. NO pink, yellow or any other colours. Pupils may wear **black or grey** school shorts.

Casual/sports shorts are **not** suitable for school wear, except on PE days.

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.

Please remember hair styles and accessories should be sensible and conducive to learning. Small bows and headbands are acceptable, large or sparkly ones get in the way and are distracting to others.

Open Day 12th July- the school invites current parents to look round both sites. This will be an opportunity to meet the teachers and look at the classrooms your child will be moving to in September. The infant site will be open at 9.10-10.00am and 1.15-2.00pm. Parents who have children currently in Key Stage 1 will be shown around by their children (please make sure they are registered first).

The junior site will be open at 10.00-11.00am and 2.00-2.45pm.

Y6 ambassadors will be showing current parents round. Pupils in Key Stage 2 will need to stay in class (as Key Stage 2 learning is more structured and less fluid than learning in Key Stage 1).

The school will be open for 10-15 minutes after school to see your child's classroom for September.



I will be doing conducted tours for prospective parents on 13th July at 9.10am and 1.15pm on the infant site.

Summer Concert

After the restrictions of Covid-19, we are delighted to announce that our Summer Concert is back on this year! Our musicians and choir invite you to their Summer Concert in the Upper Hall on 6th July at 6.00pm-7.00pm. Please make sure your child is regularly practising their part at home. We look forward to hearing them perform in the concert.



The Year 1 Phonics Check and the Y4 Multiplication Time table Check will be administered in the week beginning 6th June and will run until 17th June 2022.

It is therefore essential that Year 1 and Year 4 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 the Head teacher or ring school immediately. Thank you.



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.



The Friends of Holymead Primary

The next Friends' meeting is 10.6.22 on the infant site after drop off. New friends and pre-schoolers always welcome.



Shuffle up Day- on the afternoon of 7th July all children will shuffle up to their new classes to meet their new teachers. This includes Y2 going up to the juniors and new Reception children coming into school this year. 7th July is the day parent/carers are informed which class their children will be in. No changes to classes can be made once the class lists are put up on the doors so please talk to teachers NOW.

Y2 transition to Y3. As part of our transition programme to get children ready for Y3 we will be taking them to visit the junior site where they have a buddy to tell them what it is like in Key Stage 2.

We are also holding a short meeting with Y2 parents to welcome you to Y3 on the evening of 12th July at 3.45pm on the junior site. Children can attend and visit their new classrooms in Y3.



Behaviour Policy

As we are sure you are aware, Holymead has high expectations for behaviour and working together with supportive parents helps to make the school environment a happy place to work and play. Parents can view the Behaviour Policy on our school website along with other policies. Please follow the link below:

<http://www.holymeadp.bristol.sch.uk/web/policies/187999>

The Rights Action Group The children have taken part enthusiastically in the Run-a-thon. We will let you know how much the school raised. Please note that today is the last day for making donations and the Justgiving page will close tomorrow. The link for any last minute sponsorship money is <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/nikki-holland3>

All funds will be sent through the Disasters Emergency Committee.



Parking Around School

Please park considerably around school and think of our neighbours and keeping our children safe.

Please don't block neighbours' driveways, even for a short time and do not block the roads so other road users can't get through. Children should never be expected to get in and out of cars that are dangerously parked. Thoughtless parking can lead to accidents.

Please remember that anybody can report anti-social and illegal parking to the police at the link below;
<https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/>



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.

Grassroots Sports Bristol



Summer 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 **St Silas Youth Club/BS14 Youth Club, Stockwood BS14 8SJ** from Thursday 21st July – Friday 19th August 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: 9:30 – 1:00. Extended hrs: 08:30 – 4:30.	Thursday 21 st July – Friday 19 th August	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 18th July**. You can do this by either contacting Jeff Dickens Direct or By Bank Transfer: ACC No -52299982 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:



Holymead parent, Becky Glover, has kindly painted this fantastic mural on the infant site to brighten up a previously dull space. The mural was voted for by the children in KS1 following the submission of several wonderful designs by our artistic parents. Thank you to everyone who took part and a special thank you to Becky for her hard work over half term.



Term Dates 2021-2022

Term 6

Closed for INSET Mon 6th June 2022

Re-opens Tues 7th June- Wed 20th July 2022.

Closed for INSET Thursday 21st July 2022.

Additional school holiday to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee - Friday 22nd July 2022

Term Dates 2022-2023

Term 1

Closed for INSET 1st and 2nd September 2022

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

Schools are closed for Bank Holidays.



E-Safety Corner

The MetaVerse is tipped to be the next big development in digital technology. But what exactly is it and what risks does it pose to children and young people? There is a lot of talk

about the MetaVerse at the moment and it is important that we are aware of the MetaVerse as children are going to start talking about it.

The NSPCC have put a useful little guide together:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/what-is-the-metaverse>



The photographer is in school next term to take class photos so please make sure children are looking smart in full school uniform on 16th (infants) and 29th (juniors) June.

Details of school uniform are outlined in this newsletter.

Yours sincerely
Ms Kate Slatcher



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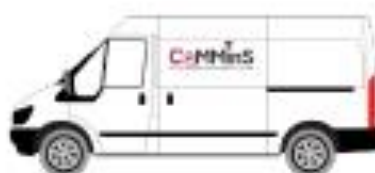
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