



Holmer Lake Primary Newsletter

November 2022



Dear Parents

We have had another wonderful half term at school and have celebrated lots of things such as: anti-bullying week, HERO attendance winners for autumn 1, headteacher's award winners and platinum award winners. We are now looking forward to celebrating the Christmas festivities!

Christmas

A flyer was sent out earlier this week updating you on our Christmas events, we are pleased to welcome parents back into school for the EYFS/KS1 Nativity and the KS2 Christmas Carol Concert!

Christmas holidays

Our final day at school will be Friday 16th December; children will return in the new year on Wednesday 4th January 2023.

Mrs. Kumar

School Gates

Please can parents ensure they don't enter school grounds until the gates are opened at 8:35am and 3.15pm.

On arrival to the main school gates, all parents and visitors please announce who they are, along with the reason to enter.

This is a safeguarding requirement.

Inhalers

Does your child need to use an inhaler/have asthma? If so, please make sure that our school records are up to date by informing us of this.

Raising Queries or Concerns

If you would like to raise a query or concern linked to your child's learning, behaviour or school life then this can be done by:

Speaking to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

If you are not satisfied or are still concerned after your discussions with the class teacher then you can speak to:

The Assistant Headteachers, Miss. Baylis or Mrs. Watson.

Any further concerns can be discussed with:

The Headteacher, Mrs. Kumar.

Any safeguarding concerns can be raised or discussed with:

The Parent Support Advisor, Mrs. Davies.

or

Miss. Baylis, Mrs. Watson or Mrs. Kumar.

Designated Safeguarding Leads in school -

- o Mrs Kumar
- o Mrs Watson
- o Miss Baylis
- o Mrs Davies
- o Miss France (breakfast and after school club)
- o Mrs Hogg (breakfast and after school club)

ParentPay

We are seeing increasing numbers in breakfast and afterschool club, please complete your booking form to secure your child's place.

- Can you please ensure that all debts for school meals/afterschool club/breakfast club are paid via ParentPay.
- All clubs need to be paid for in advance and require pre booking to secure your place in the provision. Please contact the school office if you require a booking form.

Please activate your ParentPay account to ensure you receive all important news and events about your child. If you require an activation letter please contact the school office.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is a priority at Holmer Lake.

We have a duty of care to all staff, pupils and their families. The safety and protection of all children is of paramount importance to all those involved in education. We are committed to inter-agency working to keep children safe.

If you have concerns about a child or family or need some advice of your own please contact the school on: 01952 387580 or Family Connect on 01952 385385 (Out of Hours – 01952 676500).

For further information, please read our child protection policy on our school website.

Parent Workshops

Throughout the academic year, we will be inviting parents into each class. This term we would like to invite...

4L	15.12.22 2-3pm	Food Technology
Year 6 (Year 6 from 56G and 6M)	13.01.23 9-10am	Year 6 SATs Maths
3N	01.02.23 2-3pm	Science
12M	31.03.23 10-10:40am	Year 2 SATs Maths

Upcoming Events

13.02.23	NSPCC parents workshop – The NSPCC will be delivering an interactive session in school at 2:15pm-3:15pm.
02.12.22	FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER – HappyPlaytimes@HolmerLake non-uniform day. Children may come to school in non-uniform and donate £1 towards play equipment and resources.

Christmas Dates

All week from Monday 12th Dec!	Christmas Jumper Days. <i>Send in £1 for the week please.</i>
13.12.22	Reception and KS1 Nativity Performances 9.30am and 2pm. <i>Tickets will be on sale from Monday 28th November.</i>
14.12.22	Christmas dinner day.
15.12.22	Children's Christmas Parties.
16.12.22	KS2 Christmas Carols 9.15am and 2.45pm. <i>Tickets will be on sale from Monday 28th November.</i>



"We rise by
lifting others."

**NEED HELP?
SHOUT OUT!**

**LENDING
A HELPING HAND**

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Attendance

Attendance figures for autumn 1 show that some of our classes have met the target of 96.5%! Well done to 34W and 5J! 3N, you are not far behind - keep it up!

Parents, please support us to improve the attendance for your child(ren)'s class by ensuring they are a HERO!

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Everyday

Ready to Learn

Class	Target	Attendance for Autumn 1
RMW	96.5 %	94.18
1P	96.5%	92.48
12M	96.5 %	90.96
3N	96.5 %	96.18
3/4W	96.5 %	97.29
4L	96.5 %	95.17
5J	96.5 %	96.76
5/6G	96.5 %	91.99
6M	96.5 %	95.62

HERO attendance

93 children received a certificate for 100% attendance for autumn 1 - well done to all of you! But we can do better than that! Let's get more children to be HEROes by ensuring they are in school every day and on time!

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Ready to Learn

On time





Amazing play, every day, for every child.

Holmer Lake Primary is about to start a programme to improve opportunities for physical activity, socialisation, cooperation, coordination, resilience, creativity, imagination and enjoyment through improved play. The Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) Primary Programme is based on the idea that, as well as learning through good teaching, your children also learn when they play. As almost 20% of their time in school is playtime, we want to make sure that this amount of time (equivalent to 1.4 years of primary school) is as good as possible

As the school improves play opportunities for your children, you may find that we are asking you for resources and making changes about how the children use the school grounds. They may use more of the grounds, for more of the year. Your children may get a bit messier, be exposed to more challenges and have greater freedoms to play where, with whom and how they like. The experiences we are fostering are essential for children's physical and mental wellbeing and are in line with all current good practice advice on health and safety, wellbeing and development.

We will be supported by OPAL for 18 months and there will be an opportunity to come and talk to the OPAL mentor at school. If you would like to learn more about the OPAL Primary Programme, please have a look at the OPAL website (www.outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk), where you will find lots of useful information and several videos about the programme.

We are really excited about this project and hope that you will support us in our efforts to improve playtime for all children.

FRIDAY 2ND DECEMBER – will be our first HappyPlaytimes@HolmerLake non-uniform day.

Children may come to school in non-uniform and donate £1 towards play equipment and resources.



HARRY SAYS,



“BE A
HERO!”



HERE



EVERY DAY



READY



On TIME

School Holidays

AUTUMN 2022

PD day (staff only)	Monday 5 th September 2022
School starts	Tuesday 6th September 2022
Half-term holiday	Monday 24 th October 2022-Friday 28 th October 2022
School starts	Monday 31st October 2022
Christmas holidays	Monday 19 th December 2022-Monday 2 nd January 2023

Spring 2023

PD day (staff only)	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023
School starts	Wednesday 4th January 2023
Half-term holiday	Monday 20 th February 2023 - Friday 24 th February 2023
School starts	Monday 27th February 2023
Easter Holidays	Monday 3 rd April 2023 – Friday 14 th April 2023

Summer Term 2023

School starts	Monday 17th April 2023
Bank holiday	Monday 1 st May 2023
Bank holiday	Monday 8 th May 2023
Half-term holiday	Monday 29 th May 2023-Friday 2 nd June 2023
PD day (staff only)	Monday 5 th June 2023
School starts	Tuesday 6th June 2023
End of school	Friday 21 st July 2023
PD day (staff only)	Monday 24 th July and Tuesday 25 th July 2023

NEW U10 Girls are looking for players !!

Are you year 4 or 5

**New girls team forming at
Randlay**

**For more information
on training times**

Plese contact

Shell Knight on:

07974534507



**CHARTER STANDARD
CLUB**

