



Holmer Lake Primary Newsletter

April 2023



Dear Parents

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break. Just a reminder that we have two bank holidays in May: Monday 1st May and Monday 8th May 2023.

Year 2 and Year 6 SATs.

Year 2 SATs will begin on Tuesday 2nd May until Friday 26th May. The children will be assessed in reading, writing, maths and science.

Year 6 SATs week will be w.b. 8th May, children will be assessed in SPaG, reading and maths. We will be offering free breakfast to Year 6 children Tuesday—Friday that week (more information to follow). All Year 6 children need to be HEROes and be in school on time, ready to start their SATs. Year 6 children will continue to be assessed in writing and science until the end of June.

Coffee Morning

Come and join us for our coffee morning on Wednesday 17th May at 9am. Our guest speaker will be Rachel Williams from Family Learning.

Mrs. Mahoney and Mrs. Davies will also be available during this session.

OPAL

OPAL has been a HUGE success with our children at lunchtimes! Come and join us on Tuesday 4th, Wednesday 5th or Thursday 6th July—see flyer attached to this newsletter for more details.

Mrs. Kumar

Upcoming Events

Friday 5th May	King's Coronation Street Party Wear RED. WHITE and BLUE !
Tues 9th—Fri 12th May	Year 6 SATs week.
w/c 15th and 22nd May	Year 2 SATS
Thursday 25th May at 1:15pm	34W DT parent workshop.
Monday 19th June at 2:15pm	5J and 56G Art parent workshop.
Monday 5th—Friday 16th June	Y4 Multiplication Tests
Monday 12th—Friday 16th June	Y1 Phonics Check
Thursday 6th July at 11am	12M DT parent workshop.
Friday 30th June	Sports Morning for classes 34W, 4L, 5J, 56G and 6M
Wednesday 5th July 2023 at 3:30pm	School disco
Friday 7th July	Sports Morning for classes RMW, 1P, 12M and 3N



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 24th May, 2pm - 3pm
Whole School PLAY event for children and staff
Non-uniform, £1 donation

Tuesday 4th / Wednesday 5th / Thursday 6th July
Sign up for one date, more info to follow
Parent 'Come and Play' sessions - 12.15pm to 1.15pm

Wednesday 5th July, 3.30 - 4.30pm
Whole School DISCO
£2 per ticket inc. refreshments

Wednesday 12th July 2pm - 3.30pm
Summer Fair

**All monies raised will go towards funding our PLAY project:
a sandpit for building
a slide for gliding
hammocks for relaxing**




Parking

Please can parents/visitors NOT park on the Care Home car park or block anybody's drive on Lake End Drive, If you continue to park in this area, we have been notified by the Care Home that your car will be clamped. Parents have permission to park at the Mallard Pub and walk up to school.

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.

Please do not block access to the care home.

*Come and say hello...
@ our*



COFFEE Morning

Wednesday 17th May

9.00am - 10am

Come and say hello, have a natter with your friends and feel free to ask any questions you may have...

Freebie!



Refreshments are on us!



Rachel Williams from Family Learning will be joining us too!



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.

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)



HARRY SAYS,



“BE A
HERO!”



HERE



EVERY DAY



READY



On TIME



**Scan me to find
out more on our
school website!**



WELLIES, WELLIES, WELLIES! We would love your wellies!

If you have an old pair of wellies at home that you would be happy for your child to keep in school, please send them into school (ideally in a plastic bag, labelled with your child's name).

If you have any extra spare pairs of old wellies that you no longer want, we would be very grateful of any extra welly donations (children and adult sizes!)

The children continue to love their OPAL playtimes. As you can see they find amazing creative ways to play with all sorts of different items.

We now have some fabulous new storage sheds and lots more space to store resources.

Please see the following page for what and how you can donate to help make playtimes fun and exciting for all our children.





WE WOULD LOVE YOUR DONATIONS!

Do you have any of the items in the picture? If you do, and if they are going spare, please consider donating them to us.

They will be loved and treasured by your children at lunchtimes - building dens, cooking recipes, creating obstacle courses...

Please bring them into school or speak to Miss Baylis or Mrs Watson.



We also need

Dressing Up Clothes—hats, bags, scarves

Bags of top soil / Herb Plants

Soft suitcases

Large pieces of material / cushions

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