



Holmer Lake Primary Newsletter

Summer-1 2024



Dear Parents

Well Done Year 6!

We would like to say a HUGE well done to our Year 6 children and Year 6 team. They have worked very hard towards their SATs which are nearly finished. After half-term, children will still be involved in SATs linked to their writing.

Year 1 phonics check.

Year 1 children will be assessed in phonics after the holidays. Year 1 parents, please use the QR codes to practise phonics sounds and words with your children.

Year 4 multiplication check.

Year 4 children will have a multiplication assessment after the holidays. Year 4 parents please encourage your children to practise their times tables, they can use Timestable Rockstars!

We will break up for the half-term holidays on Friday 24th May. Children will return to school on Monday 3rd June.

Mrs Kumar

Parent Governor Vacancy



An exciting opportunity has become available at Holmer Lake Primary School. We are looking to appoint a parent governor!

Governors play an important role in the strategic development of the school. We are looking for a parent governor who:

- Will attend governor meetings.
- Work closely with the senior leaders and subject leaders in school to develop the curriculum.
 - Be an active member of the school community.
- Work collaboratively with the Chair of Governors, Vice Chair of Governors, and remainder of the governing body.

For more information about Holmer Lake's governors, please visit our website: <http://www.holmerlakeprimary.org/governors/meet-the-governors>

For further information about this vacancy or to express your interest please contact the school office on 01952 387580 or a2153@taw.org.uk and speak to Mrs Kumar.

Jewellery

Just a polite reminder that pupils should adhere to the below when wearing jewellery to school. For more information, please see our uniform and appearance policy on the school website

Jewellery

The following list the items of jewellery that are permitted:

Acceptable Jewellery	Unacceptable Jewellery
1 wristwatch (silent)	Any earrings that 'dangle' or hang below the ear lobe (sleepers/hoops etc.)
1 pair of single plain stud earrings (girls)	Necklaces
Key religious or medical items which may appear to be items of jewellery – in all case permission of the Headteacher must be sought	Bracelets
	Rings (including toe rings)
	Other visible piercings

Attendance

Please find below the attendance figures for your class for spring term 2. Well done to classes RMW, 1P, 2W, 5J and 6M attendance is improving compared to spring term 1.

Congratulations to **5J and 6M** for achieving above the target!

Class	Target	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2
RMW	96.5	91.45	94.99	95.66	95.93
1P	96.5	96.80	94.94	95.43	95.66
2W	96.5	94.63	94.06	93.33	93.90
3N	96.5	93.82	94.52	93.86	93.80
4L	96.5	97.28	96.20	95.39	95.09
5J	96.5	97.65	96.68	96.52	96.59
56W	96.5	91.33	91.87	91.73	91.64
6M	96.5	96.01	97.36	97.35	97.41

Changes to After School Pick Up.

If there is a change to your child's normal pick up, this includes children who have permission to walk home alone, please email a2153@taw.org.uk by 2pm on the day. Any changes after 2pm on the day must be emailed **and** a phone call to school must be made to confirm that school have received your request.

Parent and Child Sessions.

Every Friday 8:40-9am—RMW

Every Tuesday 3-3:20pm—1P

Every Tuesday 8:50-9:50am—parents and babies/toddlers.

Every Friday 9-11am—Family Learning for all year groups.

Arthog—September 2024

Please find below information about subsequent instalment dates:

Instalment 1: £100 due by 1st May 2024.

Instalment 2: £100 due by 28th June 2024.

Instalment 3: £50 due by 12th July 2024.

Instalment 4: £100 due by 9th September 2024.

If you have completed the previous form advising that you are in receipt of free school meals, you are able to have a reduction of 25% from the total balance of £320.00, which means that you will need to pay £240.00.

This half term's successes.

In the first half of the summer term..

- Year 6 completed their SPAG, Reading and Maths SATS tests and enjoyed a DOMINOES pizza lunch for a post-sats treat.
- We hosted a coffee morning for parents
- ◆ Our Stay and Play mornings continued every Tuesday for pre-schoolers and every Friday for Reception children.
- ◆ Parents and Carers in 1P continued to join the class weekly for reading and stories.
- ◆ We hosted a Coffee Morning for parents and carers.
- ◆ We introduced the Golden Top table at lunchtimes for children who follow the Smarter Code when having their lunch in the hall.
- ◆ We had a successful development day for Read Write Inc
- ◆ We hosted local schools and shared good practice in maths.
- ◆ The statutory Safeguarding Audit has been completed.
- ◆ We celebrated EARTH day and raised money for Friends of Holmer Lake.
- ◆ All year 4, 5 and 6 children completed a CPR session run by the Midlands Air Ambulance.
- ◆ Children in Year 5 enjoyed weekly Forest School lessons with EKO learning.
- ◆ Class RMW enjoyed a fantastic trip to Attingham Farm.
- ◆ Children who have followed the Smarter Code this half term enjoyed a Platinum Award disco treat.
- ◆ A child from each class was awarded a Headteacher Award.
- ◆ Class 1P and 2W enjoyed a walk around Holmer Lake led by Rick from Friends of Holmer Lake.
- ◆ Parents from RMW joined the class for an E Safety lesson.
- ◆ All classes completed lessons outdoors to celebrate Outdoor Learning Week.

WOW! What a busy half term!

Keeping Children Safe Online



Part 1



Part 2



Part 3



What is E-Safety?



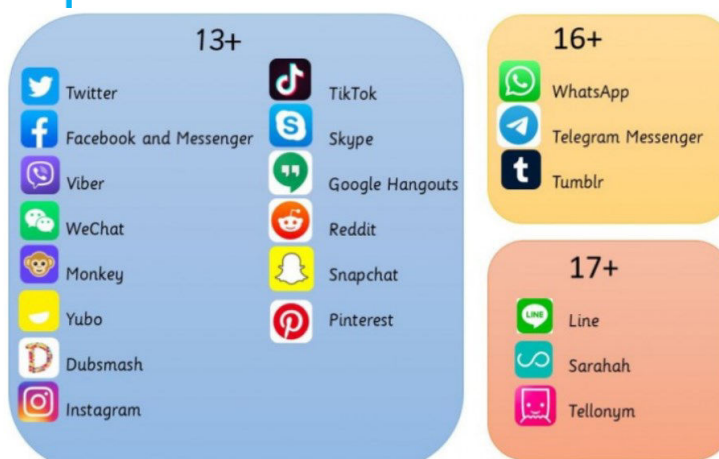
The safe use of information systems and electronic communications, including the internet, mobile phones and games consoles.

None of these APPS should be being used by Primary aged children due to their age restrictions.

For more information about how to keep your child safe online go to

[E Safety | Holmer Lake Primary](#)

Please ensure you are monitoring your children online. We are seeing more incidents of cyber-bullying and negative online relationships out of school which is causing anxiety in children and friendship issues both in and out of 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.

School Absence

If your child is not attending school, please report your child's absence to the school office. You can call us on 01952 387580.

Measles Update

What to do if you think your child has measles and when to keep them off school

Measles is an infection that spreads very easily and for some people can cause serious problems. There's no specific medical treatment for measles, so it's important to get vaccinated as it's the best protection against becoming seriously unwell. The measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine is one of the routine childhood vaccinations, so most children are already vaccinated against measles. If your child has received both doses of the vaccine, they are unlikely to have the virus. Here, we explain everything you need to know about the rise in measles cases:

[What to do if you think your child has measles and when to keep them off school](#)

Nut Allergy

We are having more and more reports of children in school being allergic to nuts. Therefore, to ensure the safety of these children, please can we request that nut products are not sent to school for snack and lunch.

If you would like to discuss this further then please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

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 Mrs Hogg (breakfast and after school club)

Clubs

Please find below the clubs that we have on offer for summer term 2:

Summer Sports club on Tuesdays for Years 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 (15 places).

- ***Tuesday 4th June 2024 – Tuesday 16th July 2024***
- 3:20pm – 4:15pm.
- £1.00 per session.
- Total payment of £7.00 to be paid via ParentPay.

Forest School club on Thursdays for Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 (15 places).

- ***Thursday 6th June 2024 – Thursday 18th July 2024***
- 3:20pm – 4:15pm.
- £1.00 per session.
- Total payment of £7.00 to be paid via ParentPay.

Places will be **allocated on a first come first served basis.**

Dates for your diary...

AUTUMN 2023

PD day (staff only)	Monday 4 th September 2023 Tuesday 5 th September 2023
School starts	8.40am Wednesday 6th September 2023
Half-term holiday	Monday 30 th October 2023-Friday 3 rd November 2023
School starts	8.40am Monday 6th November 2023
Christmas holidays	Monday 25 th December 2023-Monday 8 th January 2023

Spring 2024

PD day (staff only)	Monday 8 th January 2024
School starts	8.40am Tuesday 9th January 2024
Half-term holiday	Monday 12 th February 2024 - Friday 16 th February 2024
School starts	8.40am Monday 19th February 2024
Easter Holidays	Monday 25 th March 2024 – Friday 5 th April 2024

Summer Term 2024

PD day (staff only)	Monday 8 th April 2024
School starts	8.40am Tuesday 9th April 2024
Bank holiday	Monday 6 th May 2024
Half-term holiday	Monday 27 th May 2024 - Friday 31 st May 2024
School starts	8.40am Monday 3rd June 2024
End of school	3.20pm Friday 19 th July 2024
PD day (staff only)	Monday 22 nd July 2024

Dates for your diary...

Autumn Term 2024

PD day (staff only)	Monday 2 nd September 2024 and Tuesday 3 rd September 2024
School starts	Wednesday 4 th September 2024
PD day (staff only)	Friday 25 th October 2024
Half-term holiday	Monday 28 th October – Friday 1 st November 2024
School starts	Monday 4 th November 2024
Christmas holidays	Monday 23 rd December 2024 – Friday 3 rd January 2025

Spring Term 2025

PD day (staff only)	Monday 6 th January 2025
School starts	Tuesday 7 th January 2025
Half-term holiday	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February 2025
School starts	Monday 24 th February 2025
Easter Holidays	Monday 14 th April – Friday 25 th April 2025

Summer Term 2025

School starts	Monday 28 th April 2025
Bank holiday	Monday 5 th May 2025
Half-term holiday	Monday 26 th May – Friday 30 th May 2025
School starts	Monday 2nd June 2025
End of school	Friday 18 th July 2025
PD day (staff only)	Monday 21 st July 2025



Dates for your diary...



Dates for 2023 – 2024

	School Fundraising
	Parents Invited

HALF-TERM	Dates	Time	Workshops, Events, Trips and Fundraising	Comments	Classes / Year Group
Summer 2	06.06.24	All day	Y1 and Y2 Visit to Telford Minster	More information to follow	1P and 2W
	11.06.24	2pm	OPAL Stay and Play (new date)	Information has been sent to parents. See PARENT PAY to book.	
	12.06.24	TBC	Film night	Information has been sent to parents. See PARENT PAY	Whole School
	13.06.24	2pm	3N Local walk around Holmer Lake	More information to follow	3N
	18.06.24	2pm	4L Local walk around Holmer Lake	More information to follow	4L
	19.06.24	9am	Sex Education Consultation for parents	Face to face in school	Y1 – Y6 parents
	19.06.24	4pm	Sex Education Consultation for parents	On TEAMS	Y1 – Y6 parents
	24.06.24	All day	3N and 4L Trip to Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre	See Parent Pay	3N and 4L
	26.06.24	10.30am	Meeting for parents and children starting in Reception Sept 24.	Invitations sent	
	02.07.24	PM	Transition Day – children meet new teachers		Whole School
	03.07.24	3.30 – 4.30pm	School Summer Disco	More information to follow	Whole School
	04.07.24		French Olympics Day	More information to follow	Whole School
	05.07.24	9.15am	Sports Day for RMW, 1P, 2W and 3N		RMW, 1P, 2W, 3N
	09.07.24	9.30am	Year 6 End of Year Performance	More information to follow	Whole School
	09.07.24	2pm	Year 6 End of Year Performance		Whole School
	10.07.24	All day	Y6 attending Crucial Crew at Telford College	More information to follow	Y6s
	11.07.24	3.30pm	Summer Fair		Whole School
	12.07.24	9.15am	Sports Day for 4L, 5J, 56W, 6M		4L, 5J, 56W, 6M
	16.07.24	2pm	Musical showcase	More information to follow	Whole School
	17.07.24	9am	Musical Showcase	More information to follow	Whole School
	18.07.24	9.15am	Year 6 Leavers Assembly		Year 6
	18.07.24	Pm	Whole school Art Exhibition	More information to follow	Whole school
	18.07.24	2.30pm	Year 6 Water Battle		Year 6

There are lots of events this half term to which **parents are invited**.

Please watch out for more information via email and on facebook.

We do hope that you can join us in school for one of these events.



Dates for your diary...



School Dinners, Toast, Breakfast & After School Cub



School dinners will be £2.50.

We will continue to provide highly nutritional and tasty meals for the children.

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

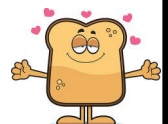
All bookings to be made on ParentPay.

Bookings for **breakfast club** need to be made by
2pm the day before.

Bookings for **after school club** need to be made by **2pm on the day.**

TOAST

Please use ParentPay to pay for your children's toast.



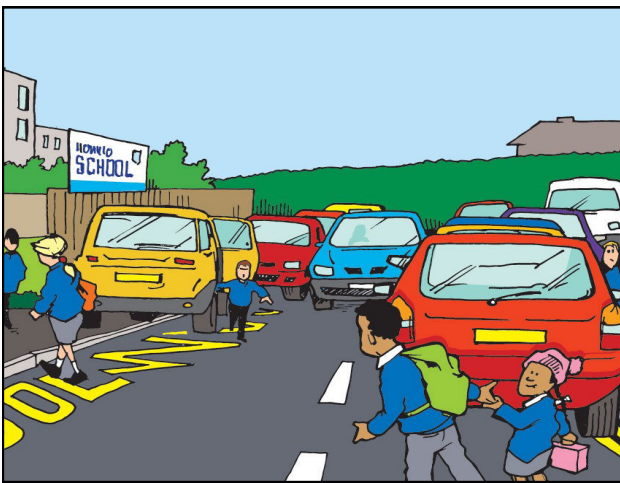
Please click the link below to show you how to
book

<https://support.parentpaygroup.com/hc/en-gb/articles/1544686667777-ParentPay-Clubs-Booking-as-a-payer>

Collecting Children from School.

May we please ask all parents and carers, who drive to the school to drop off and collect the children, to be more aware when they are parking.

The Mallard Pub has kindly allowed us to park in their car park. It is a short walk from the car park to the school. It will also help prevent accidents from happening, as children have been seen to walk out onto the road in-between cars that are parked on the road.



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.

Please use the Mallard Car Park.



Scan me to find out more on our school website!



We were disappointed to have to postpone our OPAL stay and play this week.

This has been re-arranged to now take place on Tuesday 11th June at 2pm.

Please join us if you can!



We would love to enhance our OPAL playtimes with a climbing frame that gives open ended opportunities for the children to climb, swing, hang and challenge themselves.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALL OUR
OPAL FUNDRAISING EVENTS
COMING UP THIS HALF TERM.

Film Night

Summer Fayre

Summer Disco







HARRY SAYS,



“BE A
HERO!”



HERE



EVERY DAY



READY



ON TIME