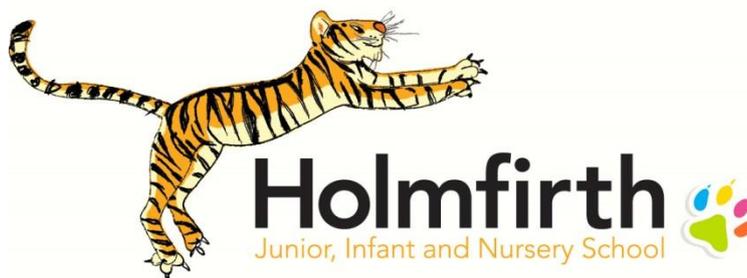


SCHOOL NEWS

6 February 2018



We are approaching the end of another very busy half term and we would like to update you on some of our school activities.

In addition to this update we have also prepared a diary for the coming half term (see attached). Sending letters home via e-mail and the Xpressions app for mobiles and tablets and continues to be successful. If you change your e-mail address please let the office know and we will amend your details. office.holmfirthjin@kirkleeseducation.uk

Website

Please check the school website <http://holmfirthjinschool.net/> for regular daily updates from Mr Rose, other information is shown on the site including letters to parents.

Dinner Money

The cost of school meals for the next half term (26 Feb – 29 March) will be £50.88 (£10.60) per week. School dinners should be paid for in **ADVANCE**. Please can you ensure that any outstanding debts for this half term are paid to your ParentPay account by Wednesday 14th February. Please remember that the balance shown on your ParentPay account is correct at that date, therefore, you would need to add on any remaining days up to the end of half term. Thank you.

Tennis Club snacks/ Nut Allergies

This reminder is for those children attending the 'Tennis' club on a Thursday morning. They should only bring a **healthy** snack and a drink of water. Please avoid bringing anything with nuts in too. Thank you for your co-operation.

Medicines in school

Please note that medicines can only be administered in school if they are

- 1) Are a prescribed medicine
- 2) Are prescribed to be given 4 times a day

Medicines prescribed 3 times daily can be given at home and will not be accepted in school. A copy of the Managing Medicines Policy can be found on the website <https://holmfirthjinschool.net/policies/>

Headlice

We continue to have problems with children having headlice in many classes. Please can you check your child's hair on a regular basis so that we can try to lessen the number of cases in school.

We have been asked to advise you of the following information with regard to headlice treatments:

'We would like to remind parents and carers to always read and follow the instructions carefully when using chemical insecticide products, typically sold in chemists, to treat head lice. This is because these treatments contain flammable elements. You should not therefore use hair dryers, or any other ignition source such as matches, lighters and candles near anyone during the treatment process whilst the product is being used. This advisory note

follows a recent incident in West Yorkshire in which a child's hair was accidentally set alight during treatment resulting in the child sustaining serious injuries.'

Trips, Visits, Visitors and Sporting Activities. December - February 2018

<u>Visits</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Sports</u>	<u>Other</u>
Year 3 Stone Age Day. Year 6 Robinwood. Year 6 'Westside Story' at Holmfirth High School. Year 6 Meeting Point.	Year 1 Kirklees 'Recycling' team. Year 1 to Holmfirth High School – Run, jump and throw. Year 1 & 2 – Street Feet. Road Safety Training. Huddersfield Giants – School assembly.	Project Sport to work with Reception class – weekly. Sports Hall Athletics Year 5 & 6 Final. Year 6 Soccer City Football Competition.	Whole school 'Family Breakfast.' Year 1 – '100 Party' – to show all our place value number skills. Year 2 Bun Sale. School Sports Organising Crew – Winter Olympics event for Year 3. Film Night – 8 Feb 3.30 -5.00pm.

Film Night

On Thursday 8 February we are holding a Film Night between 3.30 – 5.00pm. Payments can be made through your ParentPay account.

Class Photos

Braiswicks photographers will be in school on Monday 26 March.

Sporting Activities

The children have once again been very sporty! During this last half term we have been lucky to have Lucy Kimmings from the Pennine Sports Partnership working with us on the 'Dance' part of the PE curriculum.

On the 24 January the Year 5 & 6 team competed in the final of the 'Sports Hall Athletics' event. They came 6th which was a great achievement – well done to you all.

Our children have had/the opportunity to attend 'Try it' sessions at Holmfirth High school over the last few weeks. The sports have included: 'Badminton' and 'Basketball', they have competed with other local schools. Thanks to Fay Lunn (HHS SSCO) for organising these events for us.

Our School Sports Organising Crew (SSOC) has been busy organising a variety of 'Winter Olympic' games for the children in Years 2, 3, & 4 to take part in. This is the first event organised by our new Year 5 crew members. The children seemed to enjoy their team games yesterday and it was a great way for the Year 3 children to keep warm on a cold afternoon. A big thank you to Year 3 for participating in the event and for your enthusiasm! We will hold similar events for Year 3 & 4 on the next two Mondays. The SSOC were brilliant of course!!

PE Kit

As we mentioned in the last school update can we remind parents that it is essential that all children have a suitable PE kit in school every day. We want to continue teaching high quality PE and this is more difficult when children do not have the correct kit.

They will need shorts, t shirt, trainers and, during inclement weather, additional tracksuit bottoms and top. A change of footwear (trainers) for outdoor PE is also required as they often get muddy. If there are any problems with the above please see your child's class teacher so they can support your child.

Please can the children who attend the Tennis Club on a Thursday morning ensure that they wear suitable clothing and non-marking trainers. The trainers need to be sturdy to prevent injury. Please do not wear boots, canvas shoes or anything similar. Thank you.

After School Clubs

Details for all the clubs for the next half term have been sent home. Spaces are still available so please sign up through your ParentPay account as soon as you can. Spare copies of this letter can be found in the blue folder outside the office or on the website if you would like to sign up.

Fundraising

We will be raising money for 'Sport Relief Day' 2018 on Friday 23 March. Details will follow.

The Hall Trust Grants for 2018

The trustees of the Hall Trust would like to hear from young people who require financial assistance to attend short courses of an educational nature (art, drama, sport or outward bound, etc.) or need special equipment for their studies. To qualify you must be under 25 and live in the Austonley, Cartworth, Holme or Upperthong areas. Further information is available from: Bill Mackie williammackie@btinternet.com or Tel: 686555. Replies by 20 March 2018.

Parent Consultations

Meetings will be held on Thursday 22 March and Monday 26 March from 2.30pm – 6pm. The on-line booking system will be used again this year where you will be able to book your own appointments. Further details will be sent out when we return to school after the half term holiday.

Tiger Club Manager

There is currently a vacancy for this post please follow the link <https://holmfirthevents.co.uk/club-manager-tiger-club/> if you are interested and would like further information.

This half term school closes on Friday 16 February and school reopens on Monday 26 February 2018. We hope you have an enjoyable holiday and we would like to thank you for your continued support of the school.

Kind Regards

J Rose (Mr)
Headteacher