

SCHOOL UPDATE - 16 May 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 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.

Twitter

We now have a Twitter account - follow us at @HolmfirthJINSchool.

General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

To comply with the new GDPR rules, we issued parents with a new Privacy Notice last week – further details can be found on the website <https://holmfirthjinschool.net/information-for-parents/>

Dinner Money

The cost of school meals is £2.12 per day. The weekly cost is £10.60 (£72.08 for the half term (5 June to 20 July). School dinners should be paid for in **ADVANCE**. Please ensure that any outstanding debts for this half term are paid to your ParentPay account by Friday 26 May.

We have just been notified that the cost of school meals will increase to £2.20 per day (£11.00 per week) from September 2018.

Book Fair

There will be a “Half Price Book Fair” from Monday 18 to 22 June. Books can be purchased in school 8.30am – 8.55am and from 3.30pm – 4.00pm.

Induction Lunches/Evening

The children due to start in Reception class in September are invited to try a school lunch on either July 10th or July 11th. If you haven't already done so, please return your slip to the office if your child wants a lunch on either of these dates.

The Induction Evening for parents will be on Monday 3 July at 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

Snacks & Nut Allergies

We have several pupils who suffer from severe allergies and who may become seriously ill if they are exposed to any product containing nuts. Please bear this in mind when buying products for lunch boxes and snacks and avoid these products, if at all possible. Please remember that chocolate and sweets are **NOT** snacks and should not be brought to school.

Hot Weather(!)

During the next half term, if the weather is hot and sunny, please ensure that children are sent to school with sun lotion applied, hats, and t-shirts which cover their shoulders to prevent sunburn. Children can bring their own (named) water bottle which they can refill throughout the day if needed.

Sporting Events

Good luck to all our runners at the first Neiley race tonight. The second Neiley Race will take place on Wednesday 23 May and the final race will take place on the 6 June. Don't forget your child's race number and pins for Races 2 & 3!

The Kwik Cricket competition at Holmfirth Cricket Club will be held on 22 May; there will be a Year 4 team and a Year 5/6 team taking part. A letter has been sent to the selected children.

A Year 5/6 Girls cricket competition will be held at Armitage Bridge Cricket Club on Tuesday 5 June 2018. A letter will be sent to the selected children.

The Year 6 Tag Rugby competition will take place on 8 June for the Year 5/6 team. Again, a letter will be sent to the team in due course.

The annual Swimming Gala will be held on 14 June at the Leisure Centre in Huddersfield. Letters have already been sent to those children taking part. Thanks to a generous donation from the School Council, we are in the process of having some 'Nabb' swimming caps made. They should be ready for the Gala, which is great news!

The Year 4 class will be attending the Sports Barn on the Tuesday 26 June to take part in a variety of sporting activities with other schools. A letter will be sent out after half term by Mrs Worsley.

A Rounders competition will be held on the 6 July. A letter will be sent out nearer the time.

Event	Class/es	Date	Time	Venue
Kwik Cricket	4	22.05.18	AM	Holmfirth Cricket Club
Kwik Cricket	5 & 6	22.05.18	PM	Holmfirth Cricket Club
Kwik Cricket	5 & 6 Girls	05.06.18	1.00pm – 5pm	Armitage Bridge Cricket Club
Mini Olympics	2	12.06.18	AM	Upperthong J & I School
Mini Olympics	1	05.06.18	AM	Upperthong J & I School
Tag Rugby	5 & 6	08.06.18	9.30am – 1.00pm	Leeds Rd playing fields
KS2 Cycling	3, 4, 5 & 6	19.06.18	4.00 – 6.00pm	Holmfirth High School
Sports Barn	4	26.06.18	All day	Leeds Rd playing fields
Rounders	3, 4, 5, & 6	06.07.18	1.15pm – 3.00pm	Honley or Holmfirth High School
West Yorkshire Youth Games	Yr 5 & 6 Netball Team	02.07.18	TBC	Leeds Beckett University

After School Clubs

A letter regarding the after school clubs for the next half term was sent home last week. Spare copies can be found in the blue folder outside the office. Places are available at most clubs so please contact the school office if your child would like a place.

If your child attends Tiger Club, please make sure that the Tiger Club staff are aware that your child is attending an after school club. Children in Years 5 and 6 are allowed to walk home from the clubs during the Summer months. Again, the office staff should be made aware of this arrangement. All other children should be collected from school at 4.30pm.

Tennis

Please ensure that your child wears suitable footwear i.e. trainers with a non-marking sole. Recently, we have had some children wearing canvas shoes and boots; these are dangerous to play in as they don't support the foot/ankle sufficiently. They should also only bring a **healthy** snack and a drink of water with them. Please avoid bringing anything with nuts in too. Thank you for your co-operation.

Sports Day

Sports Day will be held on Friday 22 June. Further details will be sent home nearer the date. The Nursery Sports Day will be held on Wednesday 20 June.

Trips, Visits and Visitors

<u>Visits</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Sports</u>	<u>Other</u>
Year 5 - Farm visit to see new-born lambs. Year 5 - Holmfirth Town Trail. Year 2 - Longley Farm. Nursery – Eureka Halifax.	Year 2 – Yoga. Rev Griffin to see Year 1 & 2. Barry Russell (Musician) to work with all children from Reception to Year 5. Thelma Walker (MP) to see Mr Rose and some children.	Project Sport to continue to work weekly with Reception. Year 5 & 6 Netball - Colne Valley High School. Year 5 & 6 Netball Final – Newsome High School. Year 6 Mixed Football at Holmfirth High School. Fay Lunn (Holmfirth High School) to see Year 2 re G & T Programme. Year 3 Mini Olympics – Upperthong J & I School. Mini Tennis Competition Red/Orange Competition (Years 3, 4 & 5) at Huddersfield Tennis Club. Neiley Races – Race 1	Choir performance for parents. Year 1 - Open Morning. Film Night – Paddington 2. Holmfirth Folk Festival – Choir to perform. SATs Week.

On Wednesday 6 June (1.00pm – 2.00pm) there will be a Fair & Funky workshop for the Year 1 children. This class will also be walking to and around Holmfirth as part of their learning.

The children from school are able to join a rehearsal for the 'Big Sing' on Monday 11th June at the Picturedrome between 7.00pm – 9.00pm if they would like to. The main event will be in Victoria Park on Sunday 17 June at 3.00pm. Details have already been sent home by e-mail.

Year 2 will be visiting the RSPB Nature Reserve at Old Moor on Thursday 5 July. Details to follow.

On Tuesday 3 July there will be a 'New Starter Parents Induction Evening' at 5.30pm in the Hall. A 'New starter lunch' will be available on the 10 and 11 July. Please complete and return the reply slips to the school office if you haven't already done so.

FONS Events

FONS will be holding 'Nabbfest' on Friday 15 June (3,30 – 5,30 pm). Volunteers are required to help set up, run stalls and help clear up – please see Zoe Wilkinson from FONS if you are able to help. Further details will be sent home from FONS after the half term holiday.

FONS will be holding a Father's Day Gifts Sale on Wednesday 13 June for all classes. The children will be able to purchase small gifts at a cost of £2 each details will be emailed home soon.

Whole School Performance

This year's performances will take place on **Wednesday 11 July** and **Thursday 12 July**. **There will be two performances each day at 1.30pm – 3.00pm and 6.00 – 7.30pm.** More details will be sent home when we return to school after the half term holiday, along with a ticket booking form. Letters about costumes will be sent home from individual class teachers after the holidays.

New Class Teachers/Reports

The children will meet their new class teacher(s) on Tuesday 3 July. Also, class reports will be sent home with the children on Friday 13 July.

SATS & Year 6 Information

The SATS tests are under way for our Year 6 children this week. Well done to all our Year 6 children for all their hard work before and during the SATS tests.

Year 6 Transition day at the High School will be held on Tuesday 3 July.

On Wednesday 11 July Year 6 parents have been invited to Holmfirth High School 6.30pm onwards.

On Friday 20 July Year 6 will have their Fish and Chip dinner together with our members of staff.

Please note that we have a staff training day on Monday 4 June. We hope you have an enjoyable holiday and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 5 June.

Best wishes

J Rose (Mr) Headteacher