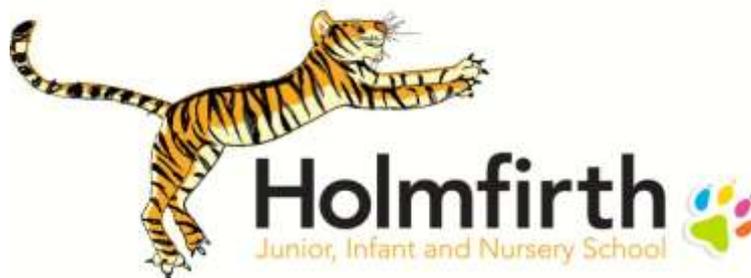


SCHOOL UPDATE

5 February 2019



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 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/> or Twitter (<https://twitter.com/HolmfirthJINSch>) for regular daily updates from Mr Rose, other information is shown on the website including letters to parents. This includes instructions to follow during bad weather.

Dinner Money

The cost of school meals for the next half term (25 Feb – 12 April) will be £66.00 (£11.00 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 13th 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.

Medicines in school

Please note that medicines can only be administered in school if they are a prescribed medicine 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.'

Tiger Cubs Baby & Toddler Group

Don't forget every Thursday we run a Baby & Toddler Group in the Log Cabin (Tiger Club). It runs from 9.30am until 11am. Anyone is welcome – you don't need to be a parent of a child at this school to attend so please mention it to any friends, neighbours and relatives you may know who would be interested.

Class Photos

Braiswick's photographers will be in school on Monday 25 March to take class photos.

Year 3/4 Roman Day

We have changed the date for the Roman Day for Years 3 & 4 from Monday 25 March to Thursday 4 April. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Amazon Smile and Your School Lottery

Do you shop with Amazon? Would you consider supporting FONS by using **Amazon Smile** which has the following benefits:

- When you want to make an Amazon purchase log in to Amazon using the following link and any purchases you make will earn 0.5% commission for FONS - at NO COST to you – <https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/1040723-0>
- If the link asks you to search for your chosen charity enter either Holmfirth J,I & N School Parent Teacher Association or the number 1040723 it will then link your account to FONS
- Just use the link once and bookmark it to use each time you make an Amazon purchase and each time you make a purchase FONS will get 0.5% of your total spend. Thank you for supporting FONS and the school - we need your help!!

Your School Lottery - Please would you consider supporting FONS and the school by joining our school lottery? You could even be the lucky winner of £25,000! Visit <http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk> and search for Holmfirth J I & N School. Thanks! This scheme has already raised over £100 for FONS so many thanks to everyone who has already bought tickets.

Trips, Visits, Visitors and Sporting Activities. January - February 2019

<u>Visits</u>	<u>Visitors</u>	<u>Sports</u>	<u>Other</u>
16 Jan – Year 2 – local walk. 29 Jan – Year 1 & 2 – visit to Holmfirth Parish Church 30 Jan – Year 6 – visit to Holmfirth High School – Oliver!	21 Jan - Year 1 Kirklees 'Recycling' team. 23 Jan - Year 5 West Yorkshire Fire Brigade – Fire Safety. 5 Feb - Year 1 & 2 – RE Workshop. .	25 Jan - Sports Hall Athletics – Year 6.	23 Jan - Kirklees Music School Concert. Brass Band. 5 Feb – Safer Internet Day. 12 Feb – Music Assembly (Brass Band Parents – letter sent) 2.30pm - 3.30pm. 13 Feb - Year 1 – '100 Party' – to show all our place value number skills. Parents invited. 14 Feb - Choir Workshop – Hudds Town Hall 9am to 12 Noon. (Concert 7pm-8pm – Hudds Town Hall)

After School Clubs

Details for all the clubs for the next half term have already been sent home. Limited spaces are still available so please sign up through your ParentPay account before 12 February. A copy of this letter can be found on the website if you would like to sign up.

<https://holmfirthjinschool.net/information-for-parents/after-school-club-letters/>

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.

Jewellery and Make Up

Please note that only simple plain stud earrings are allowed in school, these should be removed during swimming lessons and either removed or covered during PE. Make up should not be worn in school. Necklaces should not be worn as they can be dangerous when children are taking part in PE activities and during playtime. Thank you for your cooperation.

Future Fundraising Events

There is a FONS disco on Thursday 7 February – 6.00pm to 7.00pm for Early Years/KS1 children and 7.15pm to 8.15pm for KS2 children. On Tuesday 5 March FONS will be organising a Pancake Day event and they will also be selling Mother's Day gifts which will be sent home on 29 March – details of both of these fundraisers will be sent home by FONS after half term. We will be raising money for 'Comic Relief Day' 2019 on Friday 15 March. Details will follow from the School Council. There will be an Easter Egg Tombola after school on Wednesday 10 April and donations of Easter Eggs for us to sell at this event would be much appreciated. Friday 12 April we will be running the annual Easter Number Challenge for the pupils.

The Hall Trust Grants for 2019

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 1st March 2019.

Parent Consultations

Meetings will be held on Wednesday 27 March and Wednesday 3 April 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.

This half term school closes on Friday 15 February and school reopens on Monday 25 February 2019. Holiday dates for the School Year 2019/2020 have been agreed and will be attached to this update.

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