



Holmewood Nursery School and Tree House Children's Centre

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Summer Newsletter

Welcome to the final term of this year; there are lots of exciting activities throughout the nursery including incubating and hopefully hatching eggs and watching caterpillars as they transform into butterflies! We are also hopeful for some summer weather allowing for even more outdoor activities and garden work. The children have already planted seeds for flowers and vegetables and are enthusiastic about the whole process of growth, from seed to flower, fruit or vegetable. Our allotment at the top of the school is being prepared for seedlings and we will have a week of gardening fun and natural thinkers for parents and children to participate in.

As ever, we have just a few reminders, information and key dates to save:

Gate Security

- Please remember to close both school gates as we are all responsible for keeping our children safe:
- Never allow your child to operate or climb the gates to release the catch.
- Do not park on the school site at any time, not even if you think you are going to be quick.
- Remember the gate opening and closing times: if you need to collect your child early let us know in advance.
- If you arrive late to drop off your child, you must first go to the office to register your child.
- Please do not be offended if someone ahead closes the gate as we are all working together to keep children safe.

School Fund

Thank you for any recent donations you have made. Please remember that this is an important voluntary donation that we use to enrich the provision for your children. We suggest £1.00 per week for part time children and £2.00 for full time children.

Lost Property

We have a surprisingly large number of unclaimed property. Please ensure you claim any of your child's lost items. In July, all unclaimed items will be given to charity. Please also ensure that all your child's clothing is clearly labelled.

Wriggle, Rhyme and Story Time

At the start of the morning there will be Wriggle, Rhyme and Story time sessions in the hall on 1st May and 22nd May for parents and children.

Outdoor Learners and Explorers plus Gardening Fun Week 4th June – 7th June

Parents and children are invited to join in gardening and Outdoor learning activities between 2:45 and 3:30 every afternoon.

8th June Morning (08:45) Maths Workshop

We want parents and children to love maths as much as we do! There will be lots of activities to

explore and try inside the hall and outside

Holmewood Hero's Fundraising Week 27^h June – 1st July

All children are invited to take part in a mini obstacle styled race including, balancing beanbags, balancing eggs on spoons and riding hoppers. Everyone is encouraged to raise sponsorship and boost our school fund. This is the fund that allows us to provide a daily fruit snack, arrange visits to the school by authors, animals and actors and it is also used to facilitate educational trips and outings.

Family Fridays for parents of *new and returning* children on the following days between 9:30 and 10:30am: **21st June, 28th June, 5th July**

Parent Meetings for Returning Children

Parents meeting will take place on Monday 22nd July, earlier appointments will be available during the week of 15th July. Please make sure your children have a Holmewood Peg bag ready for September.

Leavers

In the past, parents of children leaving have suggested that unwanted Holmewood sweatshirts or T-Shirts in good condition could be returned to the school for resale at a lower cost. We are more than happy to do this and invite you to leave any donations with the office.

Parents of Leavers will receive a questionnaire at the start of July and it would be helpful if you can complete and return this to the office before your child leaves. The leavers' questionnaire is very important to us as your honest comments provide valuable information, which assists us in reviewing our provision and shaping it to meet the needs of the children and families in our community.

Reports and special Books for children transferring to primary school will be given on Friday 12th July.

All Leavers are invited to come and say goodbye on Monday 22nd July between 09:00-10:00 am

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1 st May	Wriggle, Rhyme and Story Time 9:00 am in the hall (Parents and Children)
22 nd May	Wriggle, Rhyme and Story Time 9:00 am in the hall (Parents and Children)
23 rd May	Maths Workshop for Parents (08:45)
4 ^h June – 7 th June	<i>Natural Thinkers and Gardening Fun for Parents and children</i> (2:45-3:30 pm)
19 th June	Wriggle, Rhyme and Story Time 9:00 am in the hall (Parents and Children)
21 st June	Family Friday – Stories and Rhyme Time 9:30-10:30 am
24-28 th June	Holmewood Heros – Fundraising week
28 th June	Family Friday – Mark Making and Rhyme Time 9:30-10:30 am
30 th June	Family Friday – Mark Making and Rhyme Time 9:30-10:30 am
5 th July	Family Friday – Messy Play and Rhyme Time 9:30-10:30 am
12 th July	Leavers Reports go home
19 th July	Last Full Day for children (No afternoon session, Full time children leave at 11:45)
Monday 22 nd July	9:00 – 10:00 Leavers Goodbye, Parent Conferencing for Returners
Monday 9 th Sept	First Stay Back for children