

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Holbrook Curriculum

We are proud of our broad and balanced curriculum and like to use this section to showcase some of the wonderful learning taking place across the school. Clockwise from top left: Year 4 Geography creating water cycles in a bag, Year 1 Computing – programming a Beebot, Year 2 P.E. coordination skills, and Years 1 & 4 Partner reading.



Parent information meetings

A reminder that parent meetings for each year group continue next week. This is an opportunity to find out more information about the curriculum, trips/visits, how to support your child and much more. For those who are unable to attend, the information will be made available on our website. The dates and times are detailed below in the diary dates.

Welcome EYFS children and families

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our new EYFS children and families. The children have made a fantastic start to school this week, settling into their new routines with enthusiasm and confidence, and we are incredibly proud of how well they have done.

New intake tours

Even though our current EYFS children have only just started, we have published our new intake tour schedule for those families with children starting in September 2027. Please pass this information on to any friends who may be interested in coming for a tour.



New Intake Tours are:-

- 1/10 - 9.15am
- 8/10 - 9.15am
- 15/10 - 9.15am
- 21/10 - 3.30pm
- 5/11 - 9.15am
- 9/11 - 1.30pm
- 18/11 - 9.15am
- 26/11 - 9.15am
- 3/12 - 3.30pm
- 10/12 - 9.15am

Call 01403 272500 to book

Happy Holbrook

Our very popular toddler Stay and Play sessions will restart on Friday 2nd October. These are held in the Studio on the first Friday of each month and any family with toddler-aged children are welcome.

Healthy snack reminder



Children in Reception and Key Stage 1 are provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable at break time under the government's School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme. A reminder that Key Stage 2 children can bring in a healthy snack from home at break times. This should be a piece of fruit or vegetable rather than items such as chocolate bars or pastries. Any other arrangements e.g special diets should be confirmed with the child's class teacher.

Parking

Please remember to think carefully about where you park, especially if coming down Holbrook School Lane. Be aware that Over the Rainbow, is only for their use and not for school parking. Mr Richardson is out every day helping to find safe parking if needed, to make sure our children can travel safely into school.

Safeguarding

Holbrook Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, volunteers and the wider community to share this commitment. We ensure that our pupils feel secure, are encouraged to talk, are listened to and are safe. Throughout our curriculum, we provide activities and opportunities that equip our children to stay safe and develop essential life skills.



Where there is any concern about the wellbeing/safeguarding of a pupil in school this is referred to the Local Authority MASH team for advice, support and further action where required. Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our pupils are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Parents and members of the public can also make referrals to the West Sussex team on 01403 229900 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm) or 033 022 2664 (other times).

The school's Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) for all Safeguarding and Child Protection issues are Mrs Davies (Deputy Headteacher), Mrs Little (Inclusion Lead/SENDCo) and myself.

DIARY DATES (new dates added in bold)	
Monday 14 th - 18 th Sep	Y6 residential to Bowles
Tuesday 15 th Sep	8.50 Y3 Parent Meeting 2.30 Y2 Parent Meeting
Wednesday 16 th Sep	8.50 Y4 Parent Meeting 2.30 Y1 Parent Meeting
Thursday 17 th Sept	8.50 Y5 Parent Meeting
Thursday 17 th Sept	Y4 Swimming Starts
Tuesday 22 nd Sept	2.30 YR Parent Meeting
Friday 25 th Sept	2pm Y6 MacMillan Coffee Afternoon – all welcome
Monday 28 th Sept	Flu Immunisations
Thursday 8 th Oct	Harvest Festival
Friday 23rd Oct	Inset day
Wednesday 4 th Nov	Photo day

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Ian Holmes
Headteacher