

Wednesday 19th July 2017 Number 4, Term 6

Dear Parents/Carers

S.A.T.S

KS2 SATs: We are delighted with the results this year especially considering how much harder the tests are now compared with the previous test system. Our Reading, Writing and Maths results were ABSOLUTELY AMAZING! We were well above national average in all subjects. Everyone tried their best and we are very proud of the children's efforts. Pupils and teachers worked extremely hard and this was reflected in the outstanding results this year. We hope our pupils continue to do well in their secondary education.

Results in the **Y1 phonic check** and the **KS1 SATs** were also positive, although we still need to improve our writing in KS1 to meet the new higher expectations.

Well done everyone!

More details are at the end of the newsletter and on our website.

Term Dates 2016-2017

Term 6

Monday 5th June 2017 to Thursday 20th July 2017
INSET day – Friday 21st July 2017.



Year 6 Leavers' Disco

Today (19th July)

5pm-6.30pm in the Upper Hall

What's Happening

19th July- Y2- Moving Up Assembly, 9.10am

20th July- Y6- Leavers' Assembly, 9.20am

Please note assemblies are NOT suitable for pre-schoolers as we want the children performing to be heard. We do run a crèche with school staff and are always on the lookout for volunteers to help in crèche. Thanks.



School Reports have now been sent out.

Please send your feedback sheet into school so we know you have received them.

Attendance- please note that attendance is calculated in half days. So if the report shows 6 absences then your child has been off school for the equivalent of 3 days. This is because the register is called twice a day (once in the morning and once in the afternoon) so pupils get 2 possible attendance marks each day.



School Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a School Meals Supervisory Assistant, in order to help supervise the children during the lunchtime break. If you are interested in applying, please pick up an application form from the school office on either site.
Thank you.



Reminder to Parents: please can we remind parents to ensure that all dinner money accounts are either left in credit or at zero at the start of the summer break. All camp deposits for 2018, trip money, music tuition fees, disco money and after school club money must be received before the end of the summer term, in order to allow for accounts to be reconciled and closed for the end of the academic year. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



Heritage Day was a great success with children bringing in lots of things to share about their cultures and family history. The day had a very positive vibe and everyone was interested in looking at each other's artefacts and clothes and tasting a wide variety of food. Thank you to everyone who participated and made this such an enjoyable day.

Phonics
ee ur ow
wh y au

Congratulations Year 1 and those in Y2 who did their Phonics Check. We are very pleased with how well the children have worked to learn their phonics.

Results have now gone out. Any children who haven't passed the check are already having interventions to help them learn the sounds they don't know and this will continue into next year. Teachers are happy to share ideas of how to practise phonics at home so please ask.



A big THANK YOU to all the Friends and staff who helped with the Summer Fayre.

Friends' Meeting Friday 15th September 9am.



School Uniform- Leggings, jeans, baseball caps, hooded tops and bright, colourful trainers are NOT part of school uniform and should not be worn to school.

Also please remember hair styles and accessories should be sensible and conducive to learning. Small bows are acceptable, large ones get in the way.

Friends' News- Our Holymead Friends' Group have raised a staggering £3,526.15 from the Summer Fayre, coin line, raffle and face painting day. Thank you to everyone that volunteered, organised an event, baked, bought raffle tickets, came to the Fayre, donated prizes or helped count the money. It couldn't have been done without you! Have a great summer break and we look forward to seeing you all back for more, in September!



TERM DATES

Term Dates 2017-2018

Term 1

(Sept 4th school closed for INSET)

Tues Sept 5th school starts for KS1 and KS2

Wed Sept 6th school starts for new reception.

Term 1 ends Thursday October 19th

(Friday October 20th school closed for INSET)

Term 2

Mon 30th Oct to Fri 15th Dec

Term 3

Wed 3rd Jan 2018 to Thurs 8th Feb (school closed on

Tues 2nd Jan and on Fri 9th Feb for INSET)

Term 4

Mon 19th Feb to Fri 23rd March

Term 5

Mon 9th April to Fri 25th May

Term 6

Mon 4th Jun to Mon 23rd July 2018 (school closed Tues 24th July for INSET)

School will close for all BANK Holidays as normal.



Governors' Corner: We welcomed the following new co-opted governors this term:

Jon Chamberlain (Co-opted Governor)

Lucy Wyatt (Associate Governor)



Library Books:

Please return all library books before the end of term, especially if you have a child in Y6.

Thank you.



Spellings

This year's KS2 Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) results were well above the national average and we feel the support parents have given their children in learning their spellings has played an important part in making sure children are ready for these harder tests.

A letter will be sent home with every child to outline the spellings they need to practise over the summer. All children will be tested on their spellings in September. If, for whatever reason, your child hasn't got their spelling list in their book bag there are spelling lists on the school website. Please make sure your child practises their year group spellings. If they struggle then limit your child to one or two sections to go over and over. If they know them all then your child can learn the next year's list.



Times tables are also on the website for children to practise and learn off by heart. Keep returning to the lists regularly and testing your child. I can't emphasise enough the difference knowing your times tables makes. It is those children who have learnt them that speed through their maths work in class.

There was a direct correlation between children who knew their times tables and those who did well in the KS1 and KS2 Maths tests.

Holidays in term time. It is very unlikely holidays will be authorised as circumstances have to be really exceptional. AS A GUIDELINE PARENTS SHOULD ASSUME APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE WILL NOT BE AUTHORISED AND YOU ARE LIKELY TO BE FINED FOR ANY UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE OVER 4 DAYS (8 SESSIONS). Fines start at £60 per child, per responsible adult. For example if you have 2 children in school and there are mum and dad sharing responsibility for the children then you will be fined £240. Fines rise if they are not paid on time. Fines are not only issued for children being taken on holiday but can be given out when children are kept off school for 4 days or more without the head teacher's authorisation. PLEASE FILL IN A LEAVE OF ABSENCE FORM IN ADVANCE OF TAKING YOUR CHILD OUT.

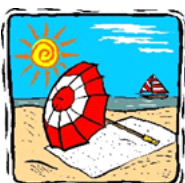
**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**



Please note the school tries to pass on information it considers may be helpful or of interest to parents in this newsletter. We do not necessarily endorse or check the security and safety of the services on offer. Parents need to satisfy themselves that they are happy to leave their children at any of the clubs and services advertised which are not based on the Holymead School sites. Holymead School carries out DBS checks on clubs who have hire agreements with this school.



Please note the outdoor equipment on both sites is for use during school time only and children should not be playing on it before or after school. Thank you.



As we come to the end of another busy term, it's time to say good-bye for the summer holidays. I wish you all a happy holiday and good luck to all those who are leaving us at the end of the year. Do come back and visit us from time to time!

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Sports News. This year just gets better for the swim team! On Monday Nia, Toby and Sonny represented the swim team at the Ashton Park Sports Awards Ceremony. We were nominated for 2 awards. Toby Rudge as individual sports achievement and the swim team for their success in Sheffield. I am pleased to announce that we were named team of the year. The children were presented with their trophy by Stephanie Millward, a para Olympic gold medallist. They all decided that Olympic gold medals are very heavy but would be great to win!

Reminder to our current Year 3 and Year 5 parents. If you wish for your child to attend the Year 4 camp to PGL Hillcrest or the Year 6 Red Ridge camp (both occurring in 2018), all balances in order to secure a place must be received via the ParentMail online payment facility by Thursday 20th July. During Term 1 in September letters will be issued to those children attending, advising parents of the total cost and also of the dates when the payments are due to be paid by. Thank you.



Yours sincerely
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Holymead Primary School
KS2 SATs Results 2016-17

All Pupils - 84

| Subject | %AT & Above | | Av Scaled Score | |
|---------|-------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| | School | National | School | National |
| Reading | 83% | 71% | 107.0 | 104 |
| Writing | 83% | 76% | NA | NA |
| SPAG | 85% | 77% | 108.1 | 106 |
| Maths | 85% | 75% | 104.8 | 104 |
| RWM | 69% | 61% | NA | NA |

Yearly Comparison - All Pupils

EXPECTED STANDARD and ABOVE

| Subject | %AT & Above | |
|---------|-------------|------|
| | 2016 | 2017 |
| Reading | 65% | 83% |
| Writing | 78% | 83% |
| SPAG | 90% | 85% |
| Maths | 69% | 85% |
| RWM | 57% | 69% |

KS1 SATs Results 2016-17

All Pupils - 88

KS1 Teacher Assessment (Tests not reported) 2016 and 2017

| Reading | | | Writing | | | Maths | | |
|---------|----------------------------------|-------|---------|------|--------------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| | 2016 | 2017 | | 2016 | 2017 | | 2016 | 2017 |
| GD | 14% | 12.5% | GD | 8% | 8% | GD | 16% | 9.1% |
| EX | 56% | 58% | EX | 52% | 51.1% | EX | 52% | 59.1% |
| EX+ | 70% | 70.5% | EX+ | 60% | 59.1% | EX+ | 67% | 68.2% |
| GD | Working at greater depth | | | | L3 was the equivalent | | | |
| EX | Working at the expected standard | | | | L2B+ was the expected standard | | | |
| EX+ | At expected and above | | | | | | | |