



HOLDEN LANE PRIMARY NEWS

“Working Together, Learning for Life”



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A VERY WARM WELCOME BACK

We would like to welcome all of our children back to school as the Summer Term begins. The children have returned to school eager to learn, full of enthusiasm and looking super smart in their uniforms.

We are all very much looking forward to a happy and successful Summer Term at Holden Lane.

Thank you for your continued support.

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTERS

Curriculum newsletters for each class have been sent home today. They contain important information about topic areas and how you can support your child's learning at home.

The newsletters can also be found on our website under the 'Our Curriculum' section.

We hope that you find them useful and informative.

Thank you for your continued support.



KEEPING SAFE AT HOLDEN LANE ~ COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

We would be most grateful if families would continue to social distance to help minimise contact with others outside each household, on the way to and from school and also on our school site.

Please use the space available to maintain social distancing and respect the boxes outside each classroom to avoid direct contact with the school staff. We also ask that only one family at a time enter the school reception area for essential visits only and that face coverings are worn.

In order to keep our school community safe it is our expectation that only one adult from each family drop off and collect their children at the start and end of the school day.

We also request that high school students do not join parents and carers collecting younger siblings on the school premises.

Thank you for your understanding in supporting the school to protect all members of our school community. Minimising contact and mixing between people reduces transmission of Covid-19.

If you have any concerns or require any further guidance, please contact Mrs Reece or Miss Thomas.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

COVID-19

Coronavirus

SAFETY ON OUR SCHOOL GROUNDS

We politely request that parents and carers discourage their children from using the outdoor play equipment on the school playgrounds before and after school. Under normal circumstances, staff supervision is required as part of our risk assessment procedures.

However, as part of the Covid-19 risk assessment, contact between children from different class 'bubbles' must be avoided. We would be most grateful for your support in implementing this important measure.

We also request that children are discouraged from walking along the stone edging of our school path or on the grass or field. Please encourage your child to use the pathway to avoid trip hazards and damage to the small trees.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in helping keep everyone safe at Holden Lane.



MAY BANK HOLIDAY ~ MONDAY 3rd MAY 2021

School is closed on MONDAY 3rd MAY for the Bank Holiday.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on TUESDAY 4th MAY and wish all our families and staff a very happy Bank Holiday!



PARKING AND DRIVING OUTSIDE SCHOOL—IMPORTANT SAFETY CONCERNS

The concerns regarding car parking outside school at the start and end of the day continue.

As you are aware, cars driving on and off the pavement place our children and families at risk. Please park away from the school and walk to the school gates in order to keep our families safe.

As always, the safety of our children and families remains our highest priority.

Please park and drive responsibly to keep the journey to and from school safe for everyone!

Please note that we are relying on the cooperation of parents and carers to drive responsibly in order to keep our school community safe.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.



ARRIVING LATE FOR SCHOOL!

As you are aware from previous newsletters, our attendance data is monitored by the Local Authority and the government and our figures continue to show an unacceptable number of pupils arriving late each morning. Families who regularly arrive late at school will be contacted by the Educational Welfare Officer and a Late Clinic will be arranged. Please support us by making sure that the children arrive at school on time at to ensure they are in class by 9 o'clock.

Please note that doors are open from 8.45am.

Thank you for your continued support.



NON- UNIFORM CHARITY FUNDRAISER OUR THANKS

Well done to all the children who took part in our non-uniform fundraising event on Thursday 1st April to raise money for our chosen school charity. We raised a super total of **£157.79** and would like to thank all the children who contributed.

All money raised will go to Stand Up To Cancer. Thank you all for supporting this special charity and thinking of others.

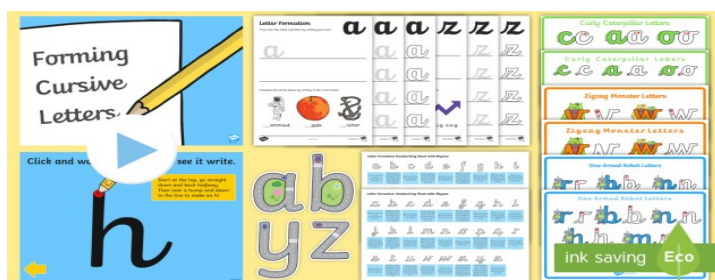


SCHOOL DINNER CHARGES ~ REMINDER

School dinner charges increased on April 1st 2021. The new cost of a Nursery school meal is £2.05 and the new cost of a meal from Year 3 to Year 6 is £2.50.

Pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 continue to be entitled to Universal Free School Meals. We have an exciting new menu for the Summer Term which can be found on the school website under the 'Parents' section.

For further information, please contact the school office.



HANDWRITING AT HOLDEN LANE GET YOUR WHOOSH ON!

We are really excited to have introduced our new approach to handwriting from Nursery to Year 6. The children are really enjoying trying out the new approach and their cursive handwriting is looking amazing.

We would be most grateful if you would continue to promote our new approach with your child.

Thank you for your continued support.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please make a note of the following dates for your diary:

- ♦ Monday 3rd May ~ School closed for **BANK HOLIDAY**
- ♦ Friday 28th May ~ School closes for Half Term
- ♦ Monday 7th June ~ School opens after Half Term
- ♦ Tuesday 20th July ~ School closes for end of Summer Term 2021
- ♦ Wednesday 21st July ~ **STAFF TRAINING DAY**