

HOLDEN LANE PRIMARY NEWS

"Working Together, Learning for Life"



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A VERY WARM WELCOME BACK

We would like to welcome our children and families back to school as the new school year begins. The children have returned to school looking exceptionally smart in their uniforms. They are all full of enthusiasm, eager to learn and ready for the new learning challenges ahead. We feel incredibly proud of how well the children have settled back into their new classes and how they continue to adapt to our routines as part of our Covid-19 risk assessment. We would also like to warmly welcome our new staff to our school team. Our new staff have been delighted to meet the children and are already having a very positive impact across the school. We wish an extremely happy and successful new school year to everyone at Holden Lane Primary!

SCHOOL UNIFORM FOR SEPTEMBER 2021

We would like to thank our parents and carers for their exceptional support in promoting our school uniform as we start the new term. It has been absolutely wonderful to see the children looking so fabulously smart and feeling incredibly proud in their uniform.

Our school uniform is a purple knitted jumper or cardigan with a grey trim, white shirt, purple and grey stripe tie, purple and grey check skirt with pleats or purple and grey check pinafore, grey trousers and sensible black shoes.

Our Year 6 uniform includes a blazer and plain purple tie, making the class easily recognisable as the most mature class of the school in preparation for high school next year.

At Holden Lane we have very high expectations and we believe very, very strongly in the importance of promoting our school uniform and dressing smartly for school. We would be most grateful if you would ensure that your child attends school in the correct school uniform to enable each and every child to feel extremely proud to be part of Holden Lane Primary School.

Thank you for your continued support.



KEEPING SAFE AT HOLDEN LANE ~ COVID-19

In order to keep everyone safe at our school, we continue to follow a robust risk assessment with thorough control measures to support our children learning in as safe an environment as possible.

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.

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.

Please continue to look out for symptoms of the virus. These are a high temperature, a new continuous cough and, loss of, or change in your normal sense of taste and smell. Do not send your child to school if they show symptoms.

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.



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.





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. Staff supervision is required as part of our risk assessment procedures.

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

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

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.



NO PETS OR ANIMALS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

PETS ON THE SCHOOL SITE

In order to keep our families safe, we politely request that parents and carers do not bring animals onto our school site.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

CONTACT NUMBERS

It is very important that contact details are kept updated to ensure that our school records are accurate. Please inform the school office of any changes to your contact details.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our after school clubs will begin from Monday 13th September.

We hope that the children will thoroughly enjoy getting fully involved once again in the wide range of extra-curricular clubs that we offer.





SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

School photographs will take place on Wednesday 15th September.

Family group photographs with younger children or family members who do not attend school will begin at 8.30am in the school mobile. These will be followed by family group photographs of children with brothers or sisters in school and individual photographs.

Please wait outside the school mobile where a member of staff will be available to arrange your time with the photographer. Families will see the photographer one at a time.

Individual photographs will then take place in classes throughout the day.

We look forward to seeing all our children looking their very best on Wednesday, in their uniform, ready for their photograph.

BREAKFAST CLUB WILL BE RUNNING AS USUAL IN THE MAIN BUILDING.

Please contact the school office if you would like further information.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

- Monday 13th September ~ After school clubs begin
- Wednesday 15th September ~ School photographs
- Thursday 21st October ~ Charity Fundraiser Non-Uniform Day
- ♦ Thursday 21st October ~ School closes for Half Term
- ♦ Friday 23rd October ~ SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
- Monday 1st November ~ School opens for pupils after Half Term