

The Holme C of E Primary School

Weekly Newsletter Issue 2 13th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome Back!

I can't believe it is Friday again! It is lovely to see the sunshine back again today, even if it is a bit chilly!

I'd like to start by passing on some big THANK YOUs from our lovely FROTH team. Over the Summer break, they have received £500 from the Tesco token scheme and £500 from Wayne Grover who organised the Car Show in July to raise money locally. We are all thrilled and extremely grateful. Both amounts will go straight towards the lighting and projector upgrade in the school hall. Thank you again for all your support!

Thank you for attending the parent meet and greet sessions this week—I hope you found them useful. Our cancelled Year 6 meet and greet session is now rescheduled for next Thursday, 19th straight after school. I will also ask all the teachers to put their PowerPoints onto Dojo for your information. Year R parents we will let you know the date of your information evening which will take place later this term, once it has been confirmed.

Learning wise this week all the children seem to have settled well into their new learning environments and are enjoying their new topics. Topic webs are now on the website for your information.

It has been lovely welcoming our new Year R children into school this week. They look very 'little' but very smart! They have been getting to know routines and their learning environment.

Year 1 had their first Friday Forest Fun session today—they had a fantastic time and the weather was extremely kind to them!

Year 2 have been writing instructions on how to make 'Glorious Gloop!' They have been sorting objects into the materials and investigating wheels and axles in DT.

Year 3 have been busy using co-ordinating conjunctions in their writing and practising their joined handwriting. In Maths they have been partitioning numbers. In Science they have been investigating light and dark and in History they are really enjoying finding out about when the stone age was!

In Year 4 the children have been making lucky Roman charms out of clay this afternoon. They have learn all about how Julius Caesar invaded Britain and in English they have been writing poems about themselves. In Maths it has been all about number and place value and in Science the children have been investigating states of matter looking at solids, liquids and gases.

Year 5 have also been writing poems. Their poetry has been based on the poem 'The Magic Box' by Kit Wright. In Science the children have started their learning on Animals and Humans, and in History they have been looking at chronology and the time-line of Ancient Greece. They have also been drawing very impressive Greek pots this afternoon.

Our Year 6 children are enjoying their World War II topic, looking at how the war started and the countries involved. They are also enjoying the class text—Letters from the Lighthouse and have produced some superb writing. In Maths they have focused on number and arithmetic and have also started to look at some SATs style reasoning questions.

I know it seems like we have only just started this year however I have been asked to share dates for applying for secondary and reception places for September '25. I have included a poster with information on applying for reception places. The deadlines for applications are as follows: Secondary school places:- the application process opened on Monday 9th September and closes at midday 31st October. (The application forms are on Hampshire County Council website, 'apply for a school place.' For Reception places, applications open on Friday 1 November 2024 and close on Wednesday 15 January 2025.

I think that is about all for this week. Next week we have the author, Louie Stowell, visiting our school! Have a lovely weekend, thank you again for all your support and see you all on Monday.

Sarah Stevenson,
Headteacher

KEY DATES

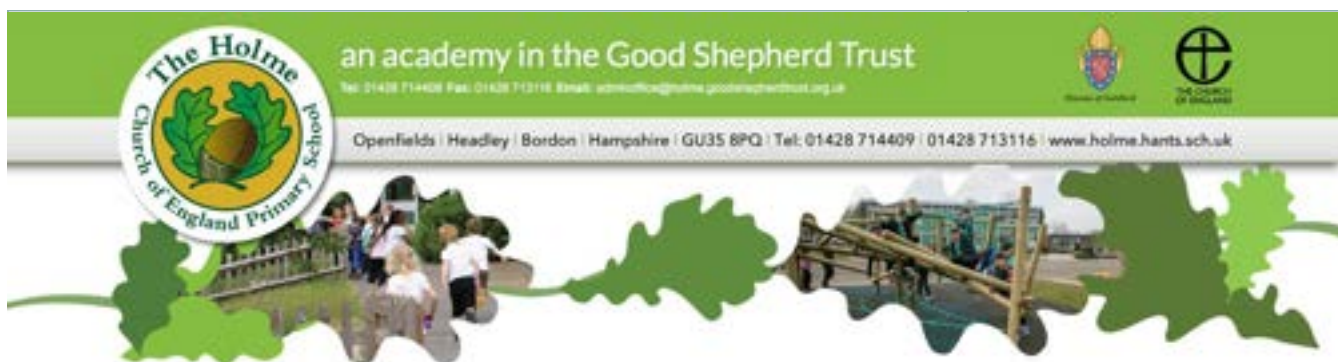
- 14th September The Headley Fete
- Thursday 3rd October - Oakmoor Handball tournament.
- 10th October—School Photographer in school
- Friday 25th October INSET day
- Monday 28th—Friday 2nd November Half term break
- Monday 4th November INSET Day
- 6th and 7th November –Parent/Teacher consultations
- 18th November SCARF PSHE workshops KS2
- Friday 20th December Break up for Christmas at 1.30pm
- Monday 6th January return to school
- Further INSET Monday 20th January 2025 and Monday 24th February 2025.
- Further Oakmoor sports tournaments : -

Autumn 2 – Thursday 5th December – Hockey,

Spring 1 – Thursday 13th February - Basketball

Spring 2 – Thursday 3rd April – Tag Rugby

Summer 1 – Thursday 22nd May – Rounders



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PE INFORMATION

- Monday—Nightingales and Falcons
- Tuesday—Falcons and Woodpeckers
- Wednesday - Robins and Hawks
- Thursday—Nightingales, Owls and Woodpeckers.
- Friday—Hawks and Robins

FROTH DATES

- September - End of Summer Social - Friday 20th September 16:30-19:00
- October - Quiz night - Friday 4th October 19:00-21:30ish
- October -AGM - Sunday 6th October 19:00-21:00
- November - Glow Run, Friday 15th November 17:00-18:30 (this will replace the Christmas event)
- Friday 29th November FROTH Disco.

Forest Learning, Forest Fun and Welly Wednesday!

We are running our outside forest sessions slightly differently this term so that we can make the most of our wonderful forest area for outdoor learning across our school. This term our Year 1 and R children will have their block of sessions during an afternoon and the class teachers will give you more information at the meet and greet sessions.



Starting school in September 2025

If your child is 4 or will turn 4 before **1 September 2025**, they can start school in **September 2025**.

For more information go to www.hants.gov.uk/admissions
Applications open for Hampshire residents on **1 November 2024**

THE NATIONAL CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS
IS WEDNESDAY 15 JANUARY 2025

DON'T MISS IT!



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