



HOLLY PARK NEWSLETTER

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House Points for this week

Griffin	73	points
Hydra	72	points
Dragon	68	points
Unicorn	60	points
Phoenix	59	points

Well done **Griffins**!

Summer Sports at Holly Park

- Our Infant Sports will take place from 10.30 am on Tuesday 9th July.
- Junior Sports will take place from 10.30am on Thursday 11th July.

Parents are welcome to come along and support all the children at the sports days. **Obviously, these events depend on the weather**, and please make sure you are registered with our text service for any last minute changes. We look forward to seeing you there, and please come suitably dressed for the adults' race at the end!

Dinner Money

Dinner Money is currently £2.10 per day. You may also pay weekly (£10.50). The cost for the whole half term is £58.80. Payments must come in to school on a Monday morning, as we are not able to offer any credit.

Any payment should be in a sealed envelope marked with your child's name and class, and should also state what the money is for, as different classes collect money for different things throughout the year. Please make cheques payable to 'Holly Park School'. Please send the money in to your child's class, rather than bringing it to the office. Thank you.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

Sainsbury's are helping schools to collect vouchers which can be used to buy sports and play equipment for the school. We make good use of this opportunity to improve our provision and resources even further, and would encourage you to collect the vouchers if ever you – or family, friends, or neighbours - shop at Sainsbury's stores, and bring them into school.

Holly Park Website

I am pleased to announce that our new website has now been launched. My great thanks go to Steve Pear and Rodney Iseman for building it, and to Fiona Quinton for adding all the content. The site is still under construction, but there is already a lot on it for you to enjoy, and more and more content is being added on a weekly basis.

The address is www.hollyparkschool.co.uk – please add it to your favourites!

Summer's here...

... or is it?! If the weather does improve, please remember to provide your children with sun hats and sunscreen. Children should have the sunscreen applied before they come to school, and if you think they may need to reapply it, please send it in – clearly named – and the children can apply it themselves during the day. Please do not ask us to apply sunscreen lotions, as it would be impossible for us to take responsibility to do so for all 500 pupils!

Also, please remember that the shoes you buy for the summer should be sturdy enough to protect the children's feet should they drop something or be accidentally stood on, and should fit securely on their feet – no flip flops or mules please.

Parent Governor Drop-in

There will be a drop in session with our parent governors on Monday April 29 at 9.00am in the dining hall. This is open to all parents and carers of Holly Park children, but not to other members of our local community.

Please come along for a chat about the school, there is no formal agenda for the meeting.

Dates for Next Year

Please keep an eye out for next year's term dates, which will be circulated to you by email. Paper copies will also be available in the school foyer.

Please remember when booking family holidays, that they should only be taken during the school holidays, not during term time. Thank you.

End of the Summer Term

There seems to be a bit of confusion over the date of the last day of the Summer term. We break up for the Summer holidays at 3.00pm on Wednesday 24th July.

Upcoming Dates

- May Day Bank Holiday – **School closed**
Monday 6th May
- Infant Choir Concert:
Wednesday 8th May at 6.30pm
- Half term holidays – school closed
Monday 27th – Friday 31st May
- Class Photos
Wednesday 19th June
- Infant Sports at Bethune Park
Tuesday 9th July at 10.30am
- Reception Show
Wednesday 10th July at 10.30am
- Reception Show
Thursday 11th July at 2.30pm
- Junior Sports at Bethune Park
Thursday 11th July at 10.30am
- Chamber Choir at the Barnet Music Festival
Monday 17th June at 7.00pm
- Junior Choir Concert:
Monday 15th July at 2.00pm
- Two Choirs Concert:
Wednesday 17th July at 7.00pm
- Last day of the Summer term
*Wednesday 24th July – **school closes at 3.00pm***

Music News from Mr Hogan

Week beginning Monday 22nd April

Instrumental Tuition

All Instrumental Tuition lessons are as usual next week

Bands and Ensembles

Wind Band and the String Ensemble sessions continue at their usual times.

- The remaining String Ensemble sessions are April 26th; May 3rd, 10th, 24th; June 7th, 14th.
- Wind Band will meet on April 25th; May 2nd, 9th, 23rd; June 6th, 13th.
- Rock Band's first session will be on Friday 10th May.

Choirs

Infant Choir sessions (Thursday 3:30-4:15): the FULL Infant Choir will meet on May 2nd. There will be no session on April 25th.

Chamber Choir (Years 5/6 Barnabas): April 23rd; May 7th and 21st; and June 11th.

Year 3/4 Barnabas: April 30th

Forthcoming concerts

- *Infant Choir Concert*: Wednesday 8th May at 6:30 p.m. Ticketing details will be sent out next week
- Chamber Choir will perform in this Summer's *Barnet Schools' Music Festival* on the evening of Monday 17th June. This is held at the 'Artsdepot Theatre', North Finchley.
- *Junior Choir Concert*: Monday 15th July at 2 p.m.
- *Two Choirs Concert* (Barnabas and Chamber Choirs): Wednesday 17th July at 7 p.m.

