Hollycroft Primary Times



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Message from Miss Hackett

We are all so proud of all of our children, their approach to learning and behaviour. We have many visitors that commend our school on the children's positive attitude to learning and their outstanding behaviour. Children are working hard to receive their diamond award and follow the diamond rules each day.

The children have loved celebrating their passion for learning within our exciting curriculum subjects. We enhance our curriculum further by incorporating 'Picture News' resources into our curriculum to create engaging and exciting lessons, allowing opportunities for children to learn about our world, develop independence, resilience, respect and unlock their own drive and passion for learning. Teaching the news not only provides great content and stimulus and grips children's attention, it is also something that the children can impact. It is current, happening now and so their voice is given meaning and purpose allowing the children to understand it is our world and we all matter. We believe in giving children a voice and encouraging them to use it to impact things they are inspired by or feel passionately about.

School will **not be open** to children on Friday 24th May and will reopen on Monday 3rd June.

We are proud to be such a sought-after school as it is a reflection of our hard-working staff team, children and supportive parents and governors.

Please can we ask that all wrap around care sessions are booked no later than 24 hours in advance. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 6th May 2024 – School closed for May Day Bank Holiday
Thursday 23rd May 2024 – Last Day of Term
Friday 24th May 2024 – School closed for Inset Day
Monday 17th June 2024 – Sports Day
Friday 5th July 2024 – End of Term Summer Picnic
Thursday 11th July 2024 – End of Term, School closes for Summer

End of School Summer Picnic

Come and join us for Hollycroft's end of school summer picnic!

Friday 5th July @ 12pm on the school field.

Let's celebrate a successful year at school by having a picnic with games and music.

You are invited to come and join us on our school field for a picnic, fun and games. Food will be provided by our school kitchen. We ask if you do not bring your own food, due to allergies. Please bring a picnic blanket / chairs and join us to celebrate an amazing school year. This will start at 12pm. Please feel free to spend an hour or so with your children on the field. You can then take your child home early or join us for a little while and leave your child at school until the end of the day. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask. We ask that no more than 2 grown-ups join us per child. You will enter through the school reception. Thank you for your support with this. We can't wait!



Reminders

School Absence

Please can we remind all Parents/carers to call or email the school office if their child is ill. All absence should be phoned into school daily. The school number is **01455241171**. The school office email is office@hollycroft.leics.sch.uk

For all holiday requests, please see Mrs. Bailey in the office who will give you a school absence request form.

Labelling

Please can I remind you to name all of your children's belongings. This will make it easier for us to ensure they all get the right clothes back at the end of the day. We have iron on badges priced at £2 that can be bought via the office.

Vaccinations

- A polite reminder to register your child for their flu vaccinations
- Visit: www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk
- Select Seasonal Flu.
- You will need to enter a school code.
- For Hollycroft Primary School the code is LE149749

School Gate

Please can we remind all Parents/Carers that our school gates open at 8:45am. All children need to be in their class and registered for 9am.

Nut Free School

Please can we remind you we are a nut free school.

We advise that no item is bought onto school site that contains or may contain nuts. Thank you for your continued support with this.

May Half Term

Please note, the last day of this term is **Thursday 23rd May.** School will re-open on **Monday 3rd June**.

Children are not in school on Friday 24th May. This is our inset day.

Sunrise and Sunset Clubs (before and after school wrap around care)

Sunrise and Sunset, before and after school clubs, please book via MCAS. Please note, you cannot book your child into a club 24 hours before. Please book in advance. Thank you for your understanding.

Sunrise Club: 7.45am-8.45am (£4.50 per child, per session)

Sunset Club: 3:15pm-4:30pm (£4.50 per child, per session)

Sunset club will close at 4pm on Thursday 23rd May. Thank you.

Diamond Awards

At the end of every month, a child from each class will receive the 'Diamond Award'. This award is presented to a child for wowing their teachers by having stood out that month. On the last Friday of every month, the Diamond assembly takes place in the hall where we congratulate each other on our successes.



Miss Brookes' Class – **Beau –** For always trying his best and being a kind and respectful friend.

Miss Cox's Class – **Lauchlan –** For showing great enthusiasm towards all areas of his learning.

Sports Day

Hollycroft's first sports day will take place on **Monday 17**th **June 2024.**

Ladybirds – 2:15pm to 2:45pm

Explorers – 2:50 – 3pm



Parents/carers are welcome to come and spectate our first sports day!

You will meet us on the field, coming through the school reception, to the school field to watch and then will collect your children as normal at 3:15pm through the normal gate.

If your child is in the explorer class, you are welcome to collect your children at 3pm when their sports day finishes and they can leave with you.

If you have any queries, please speak to Miss Brookes.

School Nurse Contact



Please see attached, school nurse contact details.

Family Lives



Family Lives provides targeted intervention and crisis support to families. If you need to talk, we're here to listen.

https://www.familylives.org.uk/

Family life can be a challenge, but you are not alone



Our Whole Family Relationship Support Service provides families with help and guidance that builds stronger relationships

We believe that every family should have somewhere to turn to for support both in good times and bad. We aim to provide a warm, confidential space that encourages participation and partnership. We offer the following types of support:

- · Weekly 1 to 1 support for up to 8 weeks delivered at home or community setting
- Family Lives helpline, email and live chat support
- · Parenting workshops and programmes
- · Online resources and advice via our website

Our family relationship service is designed to support mums, dads and their families through every step of their journey, from perinatal support to teenage years.

We recognise that each family is unique, so our services are tailored to meet specific need, working within the home, the community or in school we can help develop personalised strategies and provide access to the resources and support to help build happier relationships and happier families.



For more information about this service, please contact our team:

- Email AdeleW@familylives.org.uk or call 07971 253000
- Email JadeT@familylives.org.uk or call 07703 695819

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Family Hub Leicestershire

At the heart of our communities, our Family Hubs have been established to support families, children and young people across Leicestershire. Working with partner organisations our Hubs provide a one-stop shop and offer advice, information and resources to help families navigate every stage of life; from pregnancy, through your child's early years, later childhood and into young adulthood.



https://www.familyhubsleicestershire.org.uk/

There are lots of links to follow on this page to get you to the correct page you need.

Governors at Hollycroft

Please take a look at our school website for the new governing body of Hollycroft Primary School. If you are interested in joining the Governing body please contact Mrs Bailey at the school office.

We have already had successful governor meetings that have taken place this term, we would like to thank our governors with their support on this.

Our next governors meeting will take place in the Spring term on Tuesday 18th June.

Oxford Reading Buddy parent newsletter feature

We are delighted to tell you that our school is now using *Oxford Reading Buddy*. This is a digital reading service to support children's reading development at home and at school. It contains hundreds of digital books and book-quizzes all matched to each child's reading ability. Please log in to *Oxford Reading Buddy* when your child brings home their sign-in card and encourage them to use it regularly. If you don't have a tablet or PC at home the service works on smartphone as well. For more information go to this address and choose Parent Support: https://support.oxfordreadingbuddy.com/



Reading with your children at home

I would like to thank you all for taking the time to read with your children at home, please continue to record this in your child's 'reading record' which is monitored and filled in at school.

Our reading day is Thursday, but please keep your children's books and reading records in their bags at all times. This is because we sometimes need to change the day we read with your children.

Thank you for your support with your children's reading.

Parent Workshop

Autism Outreach Team:

Link to parent workshop waiting list:

https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/educationand-children/special-educational-needs-anddisability/education-and-childcare/educationalspecialist-services/specialist-teachingservice/autism-support-in-schools



FREE WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS / CARERS OF YOUNG PEOPLE WITH AN AUTISM DIAGNOSIS

Topics Include:

Introduction to autism
Parents talking to parents
Communication, Social Skills, Sensory Issues, Behaviour & Anxiety.

Prerequisites to attendance:

The young person must:

Have a diagnosis of autism confirmed by a medical professional Be resident in Leicestershire Attend a mainstream school

When: Thursday 9 May and Thursday 16 May 2024 - 10am to 12pm (each session).

Attendance is required at both sessions

Where:

Online via TEAMS - a link will be sent to attendees in advance

To Book:

To register a place, please click on the following link and fill out the short form under 'Autism workshops for parents':

https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/education-and-children/specialeducational-needs-and-disability/education-and-childcare/educationalspecialist-services/specialist-teaching-service/autism-support-in-schools

If a place is available this will be confirmed at the time of booking, any difficulties with completion of the online form then please call the admin team on 0116 305 90400 or email AOSTraining@leics.gov.uk

PLEASE ONLY COMMIT TO BOOKING A PLACE IF YOU CAN ATTEND BOTH THE SESSIONS – PLACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED AND WE HAVE A WAITING LIST.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ADDED TO THE WAITING LIST FOR FUTURE WORKSHOPS, PLEASE EMAIL_AOSTraining@leics.gov.uk

Other Dates

Monday 6 th May	School closed for May Day
Friday 24 th May - Friday 31 st May	Half term
Monday 10 th June	Phonics Check Y1
Monday 17 th June to Friday 21 st June	Sports and Well-being week
Monday 17 th June	Sports Day
Monday 1 st July	Transition Day
Friday 5 th July	End of Year Summer Picnic
Thursday 11 th July	End of term

Term dates 2023 - 2024

Spring Term

New Year Bank

Holiday: Inset Day

Monday 1 January 2024

Monday 8 January 2024

Schools open: Tuesday 9 January 2024

Half term break: Monday 19 to Friday 23 February 2024

Schools close: Friday 22 March 2024

Summer Term

Schools open: Monday 8 April 2024

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2024
Trust Inset Day Friday 24 May 2024

Half term break: Friday 24 May to Friday 31 May 2024

Schools close: Thursday 11 July 2024

One Inset Day is disaggregated