



**The Hollyfield School e-bulletin**  
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“There is a distinct sense of community in the school” Ofsted 2020

Head’s Line:

Dear Hollyfield Community

I hope you have all had a lovely week. Our return to school has been full of exams for Year 11 and Year 13. They are nearly there now, with just a few weeks to go. We're very proud of them, their work ethic and everything they are doing to achieve as highly as possible. On the last day before half term, we had our annual Record of Achievement (ROA) event for the Year 11 students and parents. It was a wonderful experience for all involved and I'm sure the Year 11 students will remember it for a very long time to come. I would like to publicly thank Mr Buckman for all of his efforts to organise the event, it was exceptional. I would also like to thank all of the parents who joined us and our guest speaker Christian Manz who gave a really inspirational and informative presentation.

Next week our Year 9 students will have workshops on consent; a really important and sensitive topic. Ms Paterson has written to parents with details of the workshops, please do get in touch with either Ms Paterson or Ms Offord with any questions you might have about this.

Our preparations for Hollyfest are well underway. The whole community is excited about the event and it is always exceptional. Don't forget to buy your tickets in advance and if you would like to volunteer any of your time to help out then please reach out to the PTA [here](#).

And finally, towards the end of the year we will have our activity days where students will be learning outside of the classroom going on visits linked to the curriculum. Ms O'Shea has written to parents with full details, please do make sure you have signed your child up for the relevant trips and let Ms O'Shea know if you have any questions.

Wishing you all a restful weekend

**Amy Jackson**  
**Headteacher**



**Term Dates**

**Autumn Term 2024**

2 September to 19 December  
 (Inset Day – 2-3 Sept, 7-8 Nov  
 - except Y11 & 6 Dec)

**Half Term**

28 October - 6 November (see above)

**Christmas Holiday**

20 December - 3 January 2025

**Spring Term 2025**

6 January – 4 April  
 (Inset Day – 24 Feb)

**Half Term**

17-21 February (see above)

**Easter Holiday**

7 April – 21 April (Bank Hol 18 & 21 Apr)

**Summer Term 2025**

22 April – 18 July (Bank Hol 5 & 26 May)

**Half Term**

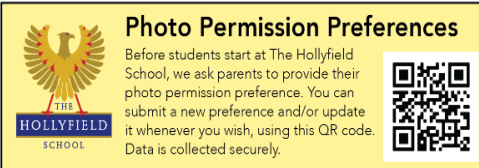
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- 9/6 - History Paper 3: Germany Revision Session (On Line) (6pm)
- 9/6 - Y9 Consent Workshop
- 9-28/6 – Y10 Trial Exams
- 10/6 - Geography Revision Session (On Line) (6pm)
- 11/6 – Y12 Kingston University Degree Show


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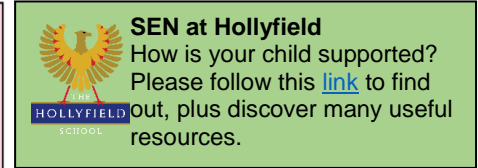
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**Free School Meals**

**Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?**

A small percentage of eligible students do not claim them. We email parents frequently to let them know. During the term, eligible students can claim a nutritious hot meal, drink or delicious dessert every day. If they are entitled, make sure your child is claiming theirs. If you need further assistance, please contact us.



**SEN at Hollyfield**

How is your child supported? Please follow this [link](#) to find out, plus discover many useful resources.

### Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line - 0208 339 4518 preferably before 8.30am on the morning of your child's absence from school. Please leave their name, spelling out any unusual names, year group and the reason for their absence and your details. Alternatively, you can email the school [attendance@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk).

### Valuables in school

The school policy and guidance with regard to pupil possessions is clear that they are brought into school at their own risk. The Hollyfield School does not accept liability for any items that may be lost, damaged or stolen. While theft is taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, the school is not in a position to cover the cost of any item stolen.

Of course, with respect to the last point, steps and measures are put in place to mitigate against such circumstances, especially during PE and Games lessons, where pupils' items are locked in the changing rooms. While this is standard procedure, there may be some extenuating circumstances where this cannot always be guaranteed. Therefore, I would urge your son/daughter not to bring expensive items into school.

### Medical Health Care Plans

Can we please request that you complete the following medical information collection form if your child has any medical conditions, no matter how small. If your child has a new diagnosis we ask you to also complete this form even if you have already done so for a different medical condition to ensure we have the most up-to-date information. Form: <https://forms.gle/pxTajACe1yUNSKdx9>.

### Changed your address/email/phone number????

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on [office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk) stating your child's name and form and the change of details. It is important to keep these details up to date in case of an emergency. Don't forget to update your Parentmail account with your new details.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle with them to school every day, it is even more important during hot weather. Our water fountains can be used to refill bottles as necessary during break and lunch, it is not possible to drink from the fountains direct and we do not have bottles or cups to give out to students. Alternatively, bottles of water can be purchased (and refilled) in the cafeteria, please ensure your Parentmail account has enough funds to enable this.

### Surbiton Hill Road Entrance for cars

If you drive/collect students to or from school the visitor's car park/Surbiton Hill Road entrance **should not be used to drop off students**. This causes congestion for people entering the site and staff access, cars travelling on Surbiton Hill Road and is potentially dangerous for pedestrians.

### Dinner Money Top Up

Please ensure funds are available 24 hours before they are required when topping up your child's dinner money on Parentmail. If you add funds on the day they are to be used we will not be able to see the credit instantly until the system has processed it, therefore creating a delay in your child buying food at the canteen.

### Contribution to the School Fund

#### Standing Order Contributions to School Fund

If you already donate to the school by standing order, please consider setting up a direct debit donation on our new platform Enthuse and cancelling your current standing order with your bank. This will maximise your donation as gift aid will be claimed automatically, and reduces administration time for the school. Links to the Enthuse donation platform for both Main School and 6<sup>th</sup> form can be found [here](#).

All contributions received are very much appreciated and directly benefit all students within the school. We value each and every pound donated to provide a better education experience for our students.

If you would like to help contribute to the school fund to provide additional facilities to the school and students, please click [here](#) for more information. We acknowledge that not all of our parents can make a commitment on a monthly basis. Having listened to those parents we also understand that some would like to make a contribution whenever they can. A donation payment link is available in your ParentMail account. We are grateful for any contribution you can make, regardless of the amount. Every penny will be spent improving students' experiences. Like the monthly contributions, your donation will go into the school fund. It will be used in accordance with the guidance given to schools regarding parental contributions.

### Open Door

Ms Jackson holds Parent Clinics on Thursday afternoon during term time. These are from 3.00pm-4.30pm for parents/carers to speak directly to her regarding any unresolved concerns/ suggestions. Please contact Louise Sutton to arrange an appointment on 0208 339 4500 or email [lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk).

## SAFE HANDS

Once again, for your information, the key contacts are:

School - Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

Ms Patel: [spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk)

Mr Buckman: [nbuckman@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk](mailto:nbuckman@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk)

Single Point of Access 020 8547 5008.

### SCHOOL HEALTH DROP-IN

**WHEN:** Tuesday Lunch time 11.40 -1.10PM

**WHERE:** Room A12 (Top floor of ALBURY)

Come along for a **CONFIDENTIAL** chat with your School Health Practitioner about anything that is worrying you....



your healthcare

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## The Mental Health Support Team (MHST)

Parent Webinars on:

- Worries and anxiety
- Screen time and social media
- Understanding changes in the adolescent brain
- Sleep Difficulties
- Friendship difficulties and bullying
- Self-harm and suicidal thoughts
- Low mood and depressive feelings

[Click here to book](#)

[Click here to book](#)

[Click here for a current list](#)

[workshops](#)






## HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS

We're beyond excited to announce that **HOLLYFEST 2025** is happening on **Saturday 5 July**, and we can't wait to welcome you all to what promises to be the biggest and best Hollyfest yet!

Whether you're a Hollyfield regular or you've never been before – this is **a day you won't want to miss**. Think live music from an **unbelievably talented music department**, amazing food, entertainment, a buzzing bar, raffle prizes, and a proper feel-good festival atmosphere for the whole family.

### **Get Your Tickets – Early Bird Prices Available NOW!**






**Early bird entrance tickets are on sale until 31 May** – so grab yours early and save! Alongside entry tickets, you can also purchase:

-  **Raffle tickets** – for a chance to win some fantastic prizes!
-  **Tokens** – use these on the day for food and drink (card payments will also be accepted!)
-  **Inflatable passes** – unlimited bounce fun for the kids!

 Head to our [events page](#) to book now!

### **We Need YOU – Volunteer and Make Magic Happen!**

HOLLYFEST couldn't run without the amazing support of our school community – and we're on the lookout for **volunteers** to help us on the day. It's a great way to get involved, meet new people, and be part of something really special. Just **a few hours of your time** can make a huge difference. Have a child performing on the day but not sure when? Don't worry, sign up and we can move things around once the Performance schedule is announced. We have lots of different roles, including:

-  Helping on the **BBQ**
-  Serving on the **Bar**
-  Running the **Tea & Cakes** stall
-  Supervising the **Inflatable** or **Kids' Zone**
-  Or just being an **extra pair of hands** wherever needed!

You don't need experience – just a friendly face and a willingness to get stuck in. If you'd like to help, sign up through our [events site](#).

### **What's in Store?**

We'll be sharing sneak peeks of our music line up, raffle prizes, stalls and more over the coming weeks – so keep an eye on your inbox and our social media for updates! Let's come together as a school and community to make HOLLYFEST 2025 a day to remember. Tell your friends, bring your family – and get ready for summer fun at Hollyfield!

**Book your tickets now and be part of the magic. ✨**



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[www.hollyfieldpta.org](http://www.hollyfieldpta.org)

**Next PTA Meeting  
10 June 2025 - TBC**

Everyone is welcome! Join us, find out how you can get involved and have fun whilst helping with events and raising funds for the school! **We will progress our planning for Hollyfest 2025!**

Join us at, 7:30pm - **The Lamb Pub, Brighton Road** - please note the change of venue!  
We meet in the raised bar area at the back.

**We are looking forward to seeing you there!**  
[We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.]

**Pre-loved Uniform Store  
Date 21.06.25: 10am - 12pm**

At the old Music Building, Next to the Dome, Close to the Lamberts Road Gate  
*[What three words location: begin.tigers.atom]*

Anyone is welcome to pop in and take what items they need.

If your child has lost or outgrown their uniform or PE kit please drop in and see if we can help. We have a large stock of items of uniform (particularly trousers) and PE kit including some shoes, football boots and trainers. **Availability varies.**

We operate a donation system for those that can afford to contribute.

**Everyone Welcome - it is best the items get used, rather than sit in a store or be thrown away!**

**Any donations of uniform too small for your child would also be appreciated! These can be dropped at the collection point at the entrance to Albury**

**Easy Fundraising**

**Please support The Hollyfield School PTA - Surbiton on #easyfundraising, you'll raise FREE donations for us with your everyday shopping.**

This is a really simple way to help raise funds for the PTA in order to support the school and students. Easyfundraising partners with over 7,000 brands who will donate part of what you spend to a cause of your choice. It won't cost you any extra. The cost is covered by the brand.

Follow this link to register and start raising some much needed funding : Select The Hollyfield School PTA, Surbiton: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hollyfieldpta/>

There are lots of ways of finding out about the PTA and what we are up to - website, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter and two email addresses.... they are all linked at the foot of each page....



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# THIS WEEK.....




## TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 95.30%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7PGI = 99.17%  
 8RAL = 99.22%  
 9NLU= 96.59%  
 10WGO= 98.65%  
 11BRO = 68.97%

Well done to all these students, keep up the excellent work.

## HOUSE POINTS

	 <b>Eagle</b>	 <b>Falcon</b>	 <b>Osprey</b>
<b>Year 7</b>	12777	13536	12489
<b>Year 8</b>	11507	10867	13127
<b>Year 9</b>	8732	8792	9428
<b>Year 10</b>	7898	6245	7051
<b>Year 11</b>	5221	5093	4283
<b>Total</b>	<b>46135</b>	<b>44533</b>	<b>46378</b>

## NEXT WEEK

Monday 9 June	Year 12 Assembly - Common Room Year 10 Trial Exams – 9-27 June Year 8 HPV Vaccination Catch Up Year 9 & 12 Consent Project Workshop Year 11 History Paper 3: Germany Revision Session (On Line) (6.00pm)
Tuesday 10 June	Year 7 Assembly (Gratitude) – Dining Hall Year 13 Assembly – Common Room Sunbury Manor School Visit (SEN) Year 7 & 8 Junior Kangaroo (Maths) GCSE Biology and Combined Science Biology Revision Session (On Line) (6pm) Year 11 Geography Revision Sessions (On Line) (6.00pm) PTA Meeting (7.30pm)
Wednesday 11 June	Year 8 Assembly (Gratitude) – Dining Hall Year 12 Kingston University Degree Show (Art)
Thursday 12 June	Year 7 Assembly (Gratitude) – Dining Hall
Friday 13 June	Year 10 Assembly (Health Independence and Self Examinations) – Dining Hall Year 9 Fulham Program Trip (King's Trust, South London Centre) (8.45am) Year 7 PGL Trip – 13 -15 June

## FORTHCOMING DATES

9 June - History Paper 3: Germany Revision Session (On Line) (6pm)  
 9 June - Year 9 Consent Workshop  
 9-28 June – Year 10 Trial Exams  
 10 June - Geography Revision Session (On Line) (6pm)  
 11 June – Year 12 Kingston University Degree Show  
 16-28 June – Year 12 End of Year Exams  
 17 June – Year 8 Diversity Role Models workshop  
 19-23 June – Year 9-11 MFL Trip to Normandy  
 20 June – Year 13 Prom  
 23 June – Year 7-9 Report emailed to parents  
 27 June - Year 10 Consent Workshop  
 27 June – Public exams end  
 30 June – New Year 7 SEN Welcome Event (1.30-3.00pm)  
 2 July – New Year 7 Induction Day  
 2 July – Art & Design Exhibition  
 3 July -Year 7 Big Read trip to Waterstones, Kingston (12.45-3.05pm)  
 4 July – Year 7-8 Pride in Learning  
 4 July – Year 11 Prom  
 5 July - Hollyfest  
 7 July - Year 12 Consent Workshop  
 7 & 9 July – Year 10 GCSE Seaford Field Trips  
 8 July - Sports Day  
 9 July – Year 12 Brighton Trip  
 9-11 July – Activities Day  
 10-11 July – Year 12 Camping Trip  
 14 July – Year 10 Report emailed to parents  
 14-19 July – Year 12 Work Experience Week  
 15 July – Year 12 End of Year Exam Report emailed to parents  
 18 July – Non-uniform Day – £1 donation to charity  
 18 July - End of Term – students dismissed from 12.00pm

14 August – A2/AS Results Day  
 21 August– GCSE Results Day

## ACHIEVEMENT POINTS

Achievement and behaviour points are awarded every day at Hollyfield in line with our school policy and are a fundamental part of school life. We want students to be the best versions of themselves and we explicitly teach the behaviour we want our young people to develop through our GO BIG character virtues (Good Communication / Organisation / Bouncebackability/Initiative/Gratitude). Students are therefore rewarded for when they demonstrate these character virtues either in class, around our school environment and even outside of school. The school also gives out termly prizes for great progress, engagement in learning, attendance and also contribution to school life. We also continually try to celebrate the successes of our students outside of school life and encourage all students to be proud of their successes in whatever area they come from.

Behaviour points are given to students in line with our behaviour policy. At the heart of our behaviour policy is restorative approaches which is a strategy the school uses to allow students to discuss their behaviours with one another and also key staff and to move past incidents in a non-judgemental way.

Both of the school's rewards and behaviour policies can be found on the school website and if you have any questions about them please don't hesitate to contact Miss Patel (Assistant Headteacher).

The year group weekly totals are below:

**Year 7** 855 **Year 8** 490 **Year 9** 176 **Year 10** 252 **Year 11** 25

The top performing forms per year group in terms of overall achievements were:

**7PGI** 219 **8RAL** 174 **9KWH** 35 **10WGO** 75 **11DHO** 14

The top performing students from each year were:

**Year 7** Ava S **Year 9** Louis E **Year 11** Lorraine R  
**Year 8** Sarah-Jane S **Year 10** Jovanni W

## STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Well done to Liam du Plessis in year 8 who came Runner Up in the Grantham Climate Art Prize with his design 'Don't let the grey take over'. Liam and his family were invited to Imperial College to receive their prizes. The winning design along with the runners up can be seen at the [Great Exhibition Road Festival](#) on 7 and 8 June. Congratulations Liam, this is a great achievement, you are a talented artist!



### Junior Maths Challenge

Over 120 students in years 7 and 8 took part in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge in May. We had very strong results, with over 75 of them achieving a Gold, Silver or Bronze Certificate. Oliver D in Year 8 was awarded Gold and Best in Year, whilst Oliver C in Year 7 achieved a Gold Certificate, Best in School and an invitation to the next stage which is the Junior Kangaroo Challenge.

Here is a photo of some of the Certificate winners in year 8.



## TEACHING & LEARNING

### Music



### Musical Instrument Lessons at Hollyfield With Kingston Music Service



#### About instrument lessons at Hollyfield...

At Hollyfield we recognise the importance of Music and know that students who learn musical instruments are shown to do better across their subjects (it has been proven that learning to play an instrument stimulates the brain, improving functions like memory and abstract reasoning skills). It is also a great way for students to make new friends at school by being able to participate in our Rock School, Swing Band and Orchestra. If students would like to have individual music lessons on an instrument during the school day we offer a range of different instruments with our fabulous team of peripatetic teaching staff. The instrument lessons are 25 minutes each and organised on a rotation timetable.

#### INSTRUMENTS and teachers...

**All instruments can be applied for** (even if not currently taught here). Currently we have the following brilliant team of tutors:

**Onna Benson:** Piano

**Tom Early:** Drum kit/Percussion

**Andy Brown:** Guitar

**Oliver Daws:** Piano

**Sharon Taylor:** Piano

**Tino Rainone:** Guitar

**Tom Marshall:** Guitar

**David Muncey:** Brass & Piano

**Linley Weir:** Voice

**Deborah Chalmers:** Violin

**We would love more woodwind and brass players** and there are schemes that Kingston Music Service can offer to support these lessons. In some instances we can also offer funded lessons to support talented students where finance is a barrier.

#### Applying for instrument lessons...

<https://www.kingston.gov.uk/music-service-1/music-lessons/2>

Please follow the link to apply and to see prices.



## CAREERS



### Careers Briefing 6 June 2025 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)

**Year 10 careers activities** - Last term, we had Nescot college coming in to talk to students about post 16 options, it's important students start researching their options. Year 10 have other activities this term to help them explore their options with a trip to Sussex University and either trips to employers OR the Young Enterprise day looking at CVs and job searching. In the Autumn Term, there will be a careers fair for students and parents/carers to come and speak to people from a range of professions and local colleges and universities - Date to follow.

## College open events for Year 11 and 10 students and parents/carers

If students have not decided where they want to study next year, it's not too late to apply and attend an event. For Year 10 students and parents you can start to explore the local options as we encourage students to make 2-3 applications to post 16 providers. **The Hollyfield Sixth Form open event will be held in November 2025** and more information on the courses on offer can be found: [Sixth form courses](#)



**Richmond upon Thames College**

Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham) are holding a few open events in the summer term aimed at both Year 11 students who have not finished their applications or Year 10 students who are beginning to research different options. More to follow in the Autumn.

- 17th June - Open Event [Open Event sign up](#)
- 9th July - Parent tour [Richmond upon Thames Parent tour](#)



**Kingston College**

Kingston College has their final open day of the year for **20 June 11am-1pm** [Kingston College Open Event](#) More to follow in October

PLEASE NOTE: We have two campuses, please ensure you go along to the correct campus:

1. Creative Industries Centre (CIC) KT2 5BP: Courses in Art & Design, 3D Design, Animation & Digital Arts, Fashion & Textiles, Games Design, Graphic Design, Media/Digital/Social and Multimedia, Music, Music Technology, Photography, Tattoo Illustration
2. Kingston Hall Road (KHR) KT1 2AQ: All other courses not listed under CIC above.



**Esher**  
Sixth Form College

Another local college is **Esher College** - their open day is Monday 30th June - they host one event a year so you can sign up now if you are in year 10: [Open Events and Tours – Esher Sixth Form College](#)



### Careers opportunities

Support your child in trying out different experiences like weekend or summer jobs, internships, volunteering, or job shadowing. These opportunities provide hands-on insights into what they enjoy—or don't—and help them develop valuable transferable skills for the world of work. We want to ensure we are promoting a range of opportunities for our students to explore their career ideas. **This**

**bulletin is produced exclusively for YOU!**

This includes;

- **Work experience & taster sessions**
- **Careers events & talks**
- **University events e.g. summer schools and open days**
- **All the latest apprenticeships**

**Sixth formers should be accessing this on a weekly basis and is posted on their google classrooms.** Please see this week's opportunities bulletin so you can check out all the latest news: [6th June 2025 Sixth Form Careers opportunities](#)



Applying to medical school stands out from other UCAS applications with its unique entrance exam (UCAT), diverse interview formats, high academic criteria, and a distinct timeline. As we near the end of the academic year, our goal is to provide comprehensive support to your students as they navigate the approaching medical application cycle.

To ensure your students are supported and up to date with the latest information to tackle their UCAS application, we invite all students in **years 10 to years 12 to attend the LAST**

**FREE Live Virtual Get Into Medicine Conference of the academic year on Sunday 22nd June from 9:30am - 3:30pm**

**Sign up:** : <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO>

The Get Into Conference provides a comprehensive overview of the application process, including the latest UCAT and Personal Statement updates for the 2026 entry. Dr Kennedy and I will delve into each step of the medical application journey, covering areas like:

- The UCAT Entrance Exam
- Exam techniques and sample questions from each UCAT section
- UCAT shortcuts and timeline
- Best UCAT preparation techniques
- Tactically choosing universities
- Medical school interview skills
- National Leadership Programmes
- Medical Awards Programmes
- Extracurricular activities
- Work experience
- Applying for scholarships to study medicine

## GETTING TO KNOW.....

### Art Department



#### **Sarah Cotton - Head of Art**

##### 1. What's your Art specialism(s)?

I studied Fine Art Sculpture so I would say 3D is my specialism but I also love painting and drawing.

##### 2. How long have you been at Hollyfield?

This is my 9<sup>th</sup> year.

##### 3. Favourite project to teach?

I love teaching 'Essence of the City' to Year 11.

##### 4. Favourite artist & Art movement?

Cy Twombly & Lee Krasner. My favourite movement is

Abstract Expressionism.

##### 5. Interesting fact about yourself.

Alongside my teaching I am an antiques and collectibles dealer. I also love pottery and attend weekly pottery classes.

#### **Louise Hodson, Art Teacher**

##### 1. What's your Art specialism(s)?

I specialised in painting on my foundation course at Chelsea Art College, and my degree was in Fine Art in Context. My favourite techniques are watercolour and acrylic painting, and I am currently loving developing my etching skills with the department's new printing press.

##### 2. How long have you been at Hollyfield?

18 years!

##### 3. Favourite project to teach?

'All You Can Eat' with Year 10

**4. Favourite artist & Art movement?**

It is too hard to just name one! Gerhard Richter and Lucian Freud are my favourite painters, and I love the immersive and thought provoking art work of Olafur Eliasson and Cornelia Parker.

**5. Interesting fact about yourself.**

I go paddle boarding along the Thames whenever I get a chance (and if the sun is shining!).

**Irene Crombie - Art Teacher**

**1. What's your Art specialism(s)?**

I studied Architecture, I have a passion for 3D art and have a soft spot for printmaking and mixed media.

**2. How long have you been at Hollyfield?**

This is my 7<sup>th</sup> year.

**3. Favourite project to teach?**

I love teaching 'Objects & Viewpoints' to year 7

**4. Favourite artist & Art movement?**

Barbara Hepworth & Unit One Modern Movement

**5. Interesting fact about yourself.**

Alongside my teaching I am also a practicing architect, I like working with individuals helping to reimagine their homes, creating new or transforming existing spaces.

**Billie May - Teacher of Art and Photography**

**1. What's your Art specialism(s)?**

I studied Interior Design at University, but I love to print and draw still life.

**2. How long have you been at Hollyfield?**

This is my 4<sup>th</sup> year.

**3. Favourite project to teach?**

I love teaching 'Oriental Art'.

**4. Favourite artist & Art movement?**

One of my favourite artists is Gustav Klimt and my favourite art movement is Impressionism.

**5. Interesting fact about me?**

I lived in New Zealand for a year

**Jo Kheir - Art Technician**

**1. What's your Art specialism(s)?**

I have a degree in Graphic design, specialising in Corporate Branding. I've worked in various commercial design disciplines and my profession has predominantly been in the design broadcast industry. My career has ranged from Head of Design at Virgin Media TV, freelance designer and small business owner as an illustrator and artist.

**2. How long have you been at Hollyfield?**

18 months.

**3. Favourite part of your job?**

I enjoy designing & displaying all the students' brilliant work onto the walls!

#### 4. Favourite artist & Art movement?

There are so many I love, but to name a few, Egon Schiele, with his unique depiction of the human figure. Escher for his genius, graphic illustrations. I am also drawn to Pop Art as a whole.

#### 5. Interesting fact about yourself.

I love Life Drawing and have attended classes for around 8 years. I also teach it!

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Links to Useful Information

[Term Dates 2024-2025](#)

[Uniform List](#)

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#)

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Important reminders for PE clubs:

- students receive 1 achievement point for attending
- clubs are free and no pre sign is required
- clubs at the school field will have a coach to drop them off and pick them up or students can make their own way home using public transport
- PE kit is not required for clubs during lunchtime
- For after school clubs, students should bring PE kit to get changed after 3.05pm unless they are already wearing their PE kit for their PE lesson that day
- If a student has a repair, they need to attend the repair as the priority

### Resilience in Children

If you are interested in further reading around building resilience in children this article is worth a read.

<https://cmom.org/press/the-british-psychological-society-five-ways-to-boost-resilience-in-children/>

## LOCAL INFORMATION

### Kooth

Kooth is an online crisis messenger service that Children and young people can access for free online mental health support with a professional counsellor - [www.Kooth.com](http://www.Kooth.com).

### Mental Health Resource sites

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom.  
Email [RachelDykins@mindinkingston.org.uk](mailto:RachelDykins@mindinkingston.org.uk) for details.
- Childline: [information and advice](#) on a range of topics including feelings, relationships, family and schools. Childline is there to help anyone under 19 in the UK with any issue they're going through. Call: [0800 1111](tel:08001111).
- Anna Freud Centre: 90 resources and strategies <https://www.annafreud.org/selfcare/>.
- Samaritans: Samaritans a safe place for you to talk any time you like, in your own way, about whatever's getting to you. Call: [116 123](tel:116123).
- Shout - Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to [85258](tel:85258).
- National Domestic Abuse Helpline: We are a team of highly-trained, female advisers. We won't judge you or tell you what to do; we are here to listen. Call: [0808 2000 247](tel:08082000247)/online chat.

### Information for adults

Young Minds - Parents Helpline - Worried about a child or young person's behaviour or mental health? Call the free helpline for confidential, expert advice. For more information visit: [www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/](http://www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/). Call 0808 802 5544.



**Counselling and Therapy**

**Morag Shrafeddin** is a qualified Counsellor with a Masters from Roehampton University in Integrative Counselling and Psychotherapy specialising in work with Children, Adolescents and Families. She also works in Fulham as a School Project Manager with the school counselling service Place2Be.

Morag is dedicated to supporting children and adolescents with their emotional well-being and personal growth. With a compassionate and client-centred approach, she aims to empower children and young people to overcome challenges and thrive in their lives.

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### Saturday 7th and 14th June

10.00am to 2pm

The Star Centre, King Charles Crescent, Surbiton, KT5 8SU, the centre is at the end of Browns Road

For more information and to enquire about availability, please contact Karen Williams:  
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**Behaviour**

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