



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin
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“Pupils’ behaviour is exemplary, and they demonstrate exceptional attitudes to learning” Ofsted 2025

Head’s line...

Dear Hollyfield Community

I hope you all had a good week. I would like to start by acknowledging the hard work of all of our Year 11 and Year 13 students, they are now in the swing of their GCSE and A level exams. There's a long way to go and at this stage it is important to maintain momentum and not focus too much energy on the exams that have been and gone. We have two big trips this weekend: the girls' netball tour and the DofE expedition. Thank you in advance to all of the staff supporting these trips, we hope everyone has a wonderful time.



Year 11 Record of Achievement/Early closure – 22 May

Next Friday, 22 May is our annual Record of Achievement (ROA) event. This is a wonderful event where we celebrate the achievements of our Year 11 students and their time with us. Please do not forget to book your tickets (2 per student) – further information can be found [here](#). As is customary **school will close early on 22 May for all students except Year 11 to enable preparations for the event, students will be dismissed from 12.00pm.**

Year 11 will stay on site in the afternoon to prepare for the ceremony. It promises to be a fantastic event; my only request is that the whole community keeps their fingers crossed for dry weather!

Non-Uniform Day – 22 May

Students in all year groups, except Year 11 will have a non-uniform day on 22 May. Form Tutors will collect £1 from each student over the week commencing Monday 18 May. The money raised is going to Harry’s charities.

Year 6 Informal Meetings

We are looking forward to welcoming Year 6 pupils and their families to an informal meeting with senior staff this week, it is a great opportunity to get to know them and talk about their hopes and thoughts about joining Hollyfield.

New Uniform

For those parents looking to buy new uniform for the next academic year, or indeed those new parents to the school with Year 6 pupils joining us in September, you can find information on page 3 about Stevensons, our uniform supplier, regarding ordering online or making an appointment to visit in store. Current price lists are available on our website.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Amy Jackson, Headteacher

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025
 1 September to 19 December
 (Inset Day – 1-2 Sept, 6-7 Nov & 5 Dec)

Half Term
 27 October - 7 November

Christmas Holiday
 22 December - 2 January 2026

Spring Term 2026
 5 January – 27 March
 (Inset Day – 23 Feb)

Half Term
 16-20 February (see above)

Easter Holiday
 30 March – 10 April (Bank Hol 3 & 5 Apr)

Summer Term 2026
 13 April – 17 July (Bank Hol 4 & 25 May)

Half Term
 25 - 29 May

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- 5-23/5–Y7-9 Assessments
 - 19, 21/5–GCSE English Breakfast (7.30-8.20am)
 - 18/5–Y10 Revision Workshop (P1-6)
 - 18-19/5–Y6 Informal Meeting (4.00-6.00pm)
 - 20/5 – Y7-10 & 12 Inspiring Girls in STEM: X-Tra Factor Workshop
 - 21/5-KS3 MFL Cinema Screening (3.30pm)
 - **22/5–Early Closure from 12.00pm (Y7-10, 12-13)**
 - 22/5–Y12 Report Emailed Home
 - 22/5–Y11 Celebration event

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“Pupils achieve very well in their examinations. This is because the school delivers an ambitious and balanced curriculum, underpinned by the highest expectations for all pupils. This includes the popular and successful sixth form” Ofsted 2025

OTHER NOTICES

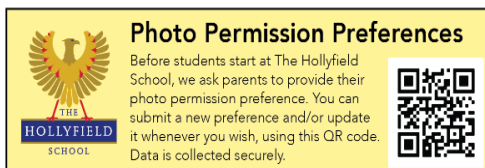
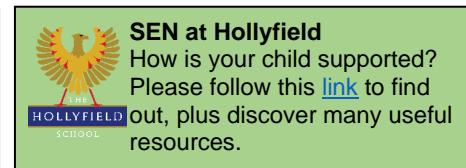


Photo Permission Preferences
Before students start at The Hollyfield School, we ask parents to provide their photo permission preference. You can submit a new preference and/or update it whenever you wish, using this QR code. Data is collected securely.



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.

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 Condition(s) and Individual Healthcare 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. Once complete, this will form part of your child's Individual Healthcare Plan which will be sent to you for approval, the communication will come from noreply@medicaltracker.co.uk. Please allow emails from this address.

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

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on 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 6th 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.

STEVENSONS

Summer Shopping

Your uniform is supplied through our
Twickenham Branch

Address:

1-15 Heath Road,
Twickenham, Middlesex,
TW1 4DB

Contact:

twickenhambranch@stevensonsschool.co.uk

Please note we are a cashless branch.

Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:30am - 5pm
Tuesday: 9:30am - 5pm
Wednesday: Closed
Thursday: Closed
Friday: 9:30am - 5pm
Saturday: 9:30am - 5pm
Sunday: Closed

Online

Shopping online at www.stevensonsschool.co.uk is easy!

You can select home delivery or opt for convenience: Click & Collect from your local store.

Our in-stock items are typically dispatched within 48 hours.
Plus, with our 365-day return policy, you can shop with confidence knowing that returns are hassle-free.

In Store Opening Hours

Will be open for pre-booked fitting appointments from Monday 20th July - Friday 21st August.

We recommend booking a fitting appointment so we can offer you dedicated one-to-one service during the summer period.

Walk-in customers are welcome. Saturdays are a great option for visiting without an appointment, and our team will assist you as soon as they are available.

Please visit our website to check extended opening hours over the summer.



SAFE HANDS/PASTORAL SUPPORT

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

Mr Buckman: 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)

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 view workshops and book](#)

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



Balancing the Energy Books

There is no question that there are greater demands placed on students within mainstream secondary schools compared to primary. Lesson pace, sensory overload, academic pressure, personal accountability and social masking can take a heavy toll on many young people with additional needs causing them to become exhausted and unable to contribute to activities or basic activities at home.

Spoon Theory, created by Christine Miserandino, aims to contextualise our personal energy usage that we need to get through each day. What may take one 'spoon of energy' for a neurotypical individual, such as taking public transport or getting ready in the morning, may take a neurodiverse person two or three 'spoons' leading to a deficit at the end of the day. Spoon Theory aims to identify the major energy draining activities but most importantly, the activities that can be implemented to refill their reserve throughout the day, leading to improved energy management and resilience. [Link to find out more.](#)

Supporting Your Child With After School Meltdowns

From Meltdown to Calm: A Parent's Guide to After-School Restraint Collapse

THE MELTDOWN (SCHOOL)

THE CALM (HOME)

Creating a Decompression Zone

- Refueling the Tank:** Offer crunchy or chewy snacks. Dehydration worsens dysregulation; encourage water immediately after school.
- Regulating Textures:** Offer crunchy or chewy snacks. Dehydration worsens dysregulation; encourage water immediately after school.
- The "Calm-Down Corner":** A designated quiet space with soft lighting, pillows, and weighted blankets to retreat.
- Visually Regulating Tools:** Use tubule tubes or glitter jars for soothing, repetitive visual input.
- Clutter-Free Environments:** Reduce visual clutter and background noise to support a calm mind.
- Regulating Activities:**
 - Movement & Heavy Work:** Activities like jumping or animal walks help feelings trapped "big emotions".
 - Sensory Play:** Water play, kinetic sand, or play dough allows processing feelings through touch.
 - Connection Before Correction:** Validate feelings ("I see you had a big day") before discipline.

Sample After-School Routine Flow

- Transition (10-15 mins):** Focus: Quiet space, no questions, snack/hydration
- Connection (15-20 mins):** Focus: Cuddling, snuggling or sitting quietly together
- Regulation (15-30 mins):** Focus: Outdoor movement, sensory play, or preferred play
- Structured (20-60 mins):** Focus: Homework or chores (use visual timers)

Understanding the "Why"

- What is After-School Restraint Collapse (ASRC)?** A sudden change in mood or behavior upon returning home caused by the release of stress built up from hours of following rules and processing stimulation.
- It's a Sign of Safety:** Children "use" big emotions for home, their safe space to stop masking.
- Sensory & Emotional Fatigue:** Neurodivergent children often work twice as hard to filter noise, navigate social cues, and manage transitions, leaving them with no cognitive resources by 2:00 PM.

Immediate Strategies for the Trip Home

- Avoid "Question Overload":** Great with a smile or hug; follow their lead; ask immediate questions.
- Lower All Demands:** Delay chores, homework, and extracurricular until decompressed.
- Use Sensory Buffer:** Provide calming music or headphones to reduce sensory input during commute.

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For further information click [here](#)



HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS



Exciting news... Tickets are now available for Hollyfest 2026!

www.pta-events.co.uk/hollyfield/

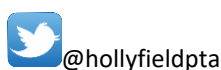
And there is still time to get involved with helping to make this year's event

as fabulous as possible!

Please come along to our next planning meeting:

Tuesday 19 May, 7pm

The Lamb, Brighton Road, KT6 5NF



ptahollyfield@gmail.com

 www.hollyfieldpta.org

Hollyfest Sponsorship - We need your help!

Do you work for or own a business that might like to support Hollyfest?

We are on the look out for local businesses to get involved in Hollyfest. This could be through sponsorship (e.g. an advert in the Hollyfest 2026 programme), donating a raffle prize, or having a presence in the day (e.g. via a stall, sponsoring a stall).

It's a great way to:

- ☀️ Promote your business to local families
- ☀️ Support a well loved, and well attended community event
- ☀️ Be part of something genuinely positive!

If you know of any businesses who are able to support in any way please get in touch - ptahollyfield@gmail.com

★ Join the PTA ★

We are a group of parent and carer volunteers creating fun and fundraising events that directly benefit the school. Our meetings usually take place on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Our next meeting is **Tuesday 19 May**. Get Involved:

- Volunteer your time 🕒 at events and stalls.
- Attend PTA events 🎉 — fun and fundraising combined!
- Come to monthly meetings 📅 (usually the 3rd Tuesday).

Stay updated via:



Get Regular Updates [Join the WhatsApp Community](#) for the PTA



Follow us on Instagram [@hollyfield_pta](#) for the latest news



Drop us an email ptahollyfield@gmail.com to find out more

🎁 Register for Easy Fundraising before starting your online shopping and raise money for Hollyfield School 🎁

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/support-a-good-cause/step-1>



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☀ Supporting Our School Through Sherpa Tutors ☀

[Please note: Hollyfield School is not affiliated to and does not endorse any specific tutor service, nor can we quality assure their services.]

We're pleased to share that our PTA has partnered with [Sherpa Tutors](#) as part of their fundraising programme, giving families a simple way to support our school.

When parents register using our referral link, the PTA earns **£5 for every lesson completed** by a student, up to **£100 per family**. These funds are donated directly to the PTA and help support activities, resources, and events for our children.

By taking part, families can benefit from additional learning support while helping to raise valuable funds for our school community.

To join and support the PTA, please [sign up here](#). Thank you for your continued support.



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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 95.97%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7GKU= 98.75%
 8RAL = 97.93%
 9SCM = 97.19%
 10DMI = 98.18%
 11JLU = 98.57%

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

HOUSE POINTS

	 Eagle	 Falcon	 Osprey
Year 7	10063	9968	11836
Year 8	9487	10188	7213
Year 9	9811	9105	10419
Year 10	5736	6342	8848
Year 11	2594	4752	2763
Total	37791	40355	41079

NEXT WEEK

Monday 18 May	Year 12 Assembly – Common Room Year 7,8 & 9 Assessment Window – 5-22 May Year 10 Revision Workshop (P1-6) Year 6 Informal Meetings (4.00-6.00pm)
Tuesday 19 May	Year 7 Assembly (Vaping) – Dining Hall Year 13 Assembly – Common Room Year 11 GCSE English Breakfast (Dining Hall) (7.30-8.20am) Year 6 Information meetings (4.00-6.00pm)
Wednesday 20 May	Year 8 Assembly (Vaping) – Dining Hall Year 7-10 & 12 Inspiring Girls in STEM: X-Tra Factor Workshop
Thursday 21 May	Year 9 Assembly (Vaping) – Dining Hall Year 11 GCSE English Breakfast (Dining Hall) (7.30-8.20am) KS3 MFL Cinema Screening (Dining Hall) (3.30pm)
Friday 22 May	Year 10 Assembly (Vaping) – Dining Hall Year 12 Report Emailed Home Year 7-10 Non-uniform day Early Closure – 12.00pm (Year 7-10, 12-13) Year 11 Record of Achievement Ceremony (3.00pm)

FORTHCOMING DATES

5-23 May – Year 7-9 End of Year Assessments
 11, 19, 21 May – GCSE English Breakfast (7.30-8.20am)

18 May – Year 10 Revision Workshop (P1-6)
 18-19 May – Year 6 Informal Meeting (4.00-6.00pm)
 20 May – Year 7-10 & 12 Inspiring Girls in STEM: X-Tra Factor Workshop
 21 May - KS3 MFL Cinema Screening (3.30pm)
22 May – Early Closure from 12.00pm (Year 7-10, 12-13)
 22 May – Year 12 Report Emailed Home
 22 May – Year 11 Celebration event

25-29 May 2026 – Half Term

3 June – Year 10 Tate Modern Art Trip
 3 & 10 June – GCSE Maths Breakfast (7.30-8.20am)
 8-26 June – Year 10 Trial Exams
 15 June – Year 5 SASM Workshop (1.15-3.15pm)
 15-26 June – Year 12 End of Year Exams
 16 June - Year 5 St Matthew's Workshop (9.15-11.30am)
 16 June - Year 5 Christ Church Workshop (1.15-3.15pm)
 17 June - Year 5 Lime Tree Workshop (9.15-11.30am)
 17 June- Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
 18 June - Year 5 King Athelstan Workshop (9.15-11.30am)
 19 June – Year 13 Prom
 22 June - Year 5 Tolworth Juniors Workshop (1.15-3.15pm)
 23 June – Year 9 Bank of America Insight Day
 24 June– Year - Globe Players – An Inspector Calls
 26 June – Year 5 St John's Workshop (1.15-3.15pm)
 26 June – Year 7-9 Report emailed to parents
 27 June – Public exams end
 29 June – New Year 7 SEN Welcome Event (1.30-3.00pm)
 1 July – New Year 7 Induction Day
 3 July – Year 11 Prom
 3 July – Year 9 Premier League Inspires End of Year Celebration (10am-4pm)
 3 July – Year 7 & 8 Pride in Learning
 6 July – Year 12 Brighton trip
 7 July – Year 12 Personal Statement Workshop
 8 July - Sports Day – all students attend at Kingsmeadow
 9-10 July – Activities Day
 9-10 July – Year 12 Camping Trip
 13 July – Year 12 End of Year Exam Report emailed to parents
 13 & 16 July – Year 10 GCSE Geography Field Trip (Bushy Park)
 13-17 July – Year 12 Work Experience Week
 15 July – Year 7-9 ILEX Juniors: Star Crossed Performances (4pm & 7pm)
 17 July – Non-uniform Day – £1 donation to charity
 17 July – Year 10 Report emailed to parents

17 July - End of Term – students dismissed from 12.00pm

13 August – A2/AS Results Day
 20 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 7 388 Year 8 330 Year 9 338 Year 10 405 Year 11 33

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

7BRO 111 8AZA 111 9MCO 138 10DMI 149 11HBL 26

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Jess X Year 9 Sarah Jane S Year 11 Djor K
 Year 8 George D Year 10 Lucia MA

TEACHING & LEARNING



GETTING TO KNOW.....

Music Department

Miss S Neville, Head of Music/Head of the Visual Performing Arts Faculty

Miss Neville has been Head of Music at Hollyfield for nearly twenty years. She was born in Kingston and went to Tiffin Girls' School and Trinity College of Music Junior Department (for clarinet and piano) before going on to study Music and English Literature at Birmingham university. After graduating she worked for a TV company as a runner before deciding to train as a teacher. Apart from Music, in her spare time she is a keen rower spending many hours training and racing including competing at Henley Women's Regatta and Henley Masters regattas last year.

In the UK, the fastest growing areas are in **Technology and AI, health care, green energy, construction and the skilled trades**. Demand for **cyber security** roles is also growing to create an infrastructure of IT security.

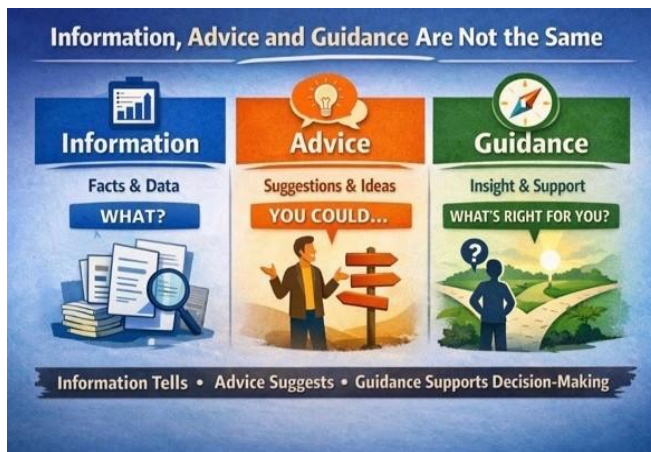
Over the summer term we will be focusing on some of these different job sectors. Below are a few links for those who want to dig deeper:

- [Labour Market Information for Kingston Area](#)
- [LMI For All](#)
- [The Future of Jobs Report 2025 | World Economic Forum](#)

Careers Guidance Meetings

The Careers team is now focusing on meeting with Year 10 and Year 12 students. Mr Poole and Miss Corrighan are qualified Careers Advisers who are available in school Monday to Thursday. Students can make an appointment in a number of ways: through their Form Tutor, Head of Year or on the appointment sheet on the door of the careers room in Albury (next to A10).

In preparation for careers meetings, students are being asked to complete a short google survey which is on their Year 10 google classroom and the link is also here [careers meeting questionnaire](#) (Students access through their HF email).



Careers guidance meetings allow students to explore interests, skills and strengths; which subjects they enjoy and what ideas they have for the future. Whilst the meeting will provide information on the range of options, ultimately the student has to make their own decisions. This career meeting also allows students to think through and explore different ideas. The role of the careers adviser is to provide impartial, non-judgemental and confidential guidance. To encourage honest and open discussion about plans.

Parents/Carers have an important role to play, and please encourage your children to talk through their different ideas. Get your child to think about their interests, hobbies, their strengths and weaknesses as this can provide the basis for an initial discussion.



[Talking Futures](#) is a great resource to inform parents and carers about the options available to their children. It has conversation starters, info about the range of options, which include technical qualifications, apprenticeships and more. It is a really good starting point to find out more about what their children can do in this ever-changing education landscape.

If parents/carers have any questions about the process email Mr. Poole the Careers Coordinator ipoole@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk



The summer term is a good time to start considering post 16 options and there are a range of option days coming up.

- **Hollyfield sixth form** have their open day in **November** and offer a range of A Level and BTEC Level 3 courses you can choose from.
- **Kingston College** - Friday 19 June 11am-1pm (for year 11s) and more in the Autumn Term
- **NESCOT** - more in the Autumn Term
- **Esher College** - Open event - Weds 8 July 4-

8pm - there is only one per year and applications are early - see their website for more details

- **Chessington sixth form** also offers courses in **Childcare and Sports**. This is a smaller provision but offers excellent support and small classes. The Childcare students work in the Nursery at the school, gaining fantastic experience. The sports academies include football, basketball, and Sports Coaching. Find out more: [Sixth Form](#).
- **Richmond upon Thames College (Twickenham)** - Open event Tues 16 June 4-7pm: [Click here to book your visit](#)

Careers opportunities bulletin and work experience

We encourage sixth form students, parents and carers to access our **weekly Careers Opportunities bulletin**.

Students and parents/carers can access this here: [HF Careers opportunities bulletin 15/05/26](#)

This includes;

- **Work experience**
- **Careers talks**
- **University open days/tasters**
- **Apprenticeships**
- **Unifrog resources and events**
- **and much more**



Students in Year 12 will do a work experience placement in the last week of the summer term - 13-17 July, so students should be looking for placements now for that week, and once confirmed, it needs to be recorded on the Unifrog placements tool. **We advertise in the bulletin any opportunities available that week so students and parents and carers should check it out.**



For some students the idea of going out to work is an attractive option and apprenticeships are available from 16, 18, 21 in fact any age up until 65!

If students are interested in following this route, start searching for opportunities and making applications: **Find an apprenticeship website** and look for jobs that will start in Sept 2026. If you are not sure how to apply, speak to Mr Poole.

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Group Provider

You are invited to attend Way2Work's open day June 2026

Guildhall, High street, Kingston Upon Thames, KT1 1EU
Friday 19 June
10am - 2pm

What is covered on the day

- Apprenticeship information
- Careers advice
- Speak with ex apprentice
- Chat with employer and competitions

Way2Work Apprenticeships

96% pass rate

94% of apprentices would recommend Way2Work to a friend

Please reserve your ticket for the event on Eventbrite as spaces are limited! Scan the QR code

Way2Work Open Day 2026

Come join us in person for the Way2Work Apprenticeships June Open Day 2026. It's the perfect chance to explore exciting apprenticeship opportunities, chat with experts, and get all your questions answered. Whether you're just starting out or looking to take the next step, this event is for you!

We offer **Business Administration, Customer Service, Early Years, Playworker and Teaching Assistant apprenticeships.**

Sign up: **Way2Work Apprenticeships June Open Day 2026**

Royal Botanic Gardens
Kew

Earthwise: Kew's summer youth programme

- applications are open!

Are you a young person with a passion for plants? A teenager who is curious about conservation? Or someone with scientific sensibilities?

Applications for Earthwise, a free, week-long summer programme at Kew Gardens, taking place in August! We are looking for dedicated young people, between 14 and 17 years old, who are interested in learning more about the natural world, our place within it, and how science can help us answer some of our planet's most pressing questions.

Find out more: [Earthwise: Kew's summer programme](#)

Apply now: [Kew application form](#) The deadline for applications is **Monday 1 June 2026**

GENERAL INFORMATION

Links to Useful Information

[Term Dates](#)

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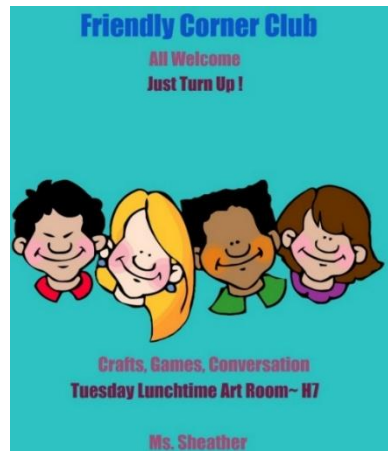
[Key Dates](#)

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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.



Relaxing Lunchtime Club on Tuesday for Arts, Crafts, games and friendly conversation in the upstairs Art Room- H7.

The theme of Spring time this term is to create your own Bird Art and Spring themed decorated Masks, as well as relaxing colouring, painting and games.

All are welcome!

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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.

Mental Health Resource sites

- Mind in Kingston: run daily activities on zoom.
Email 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.
- 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.
- Shout - Shout is the UK's first free 24/7 text service for anyone in crisis anytime, anywhere. Text Shout to 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/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/. Call 0808 802 5544.

LOCAL SERVICES

(Please note: Hollyfield School is not affiliated to and does not endorse any specific independent service/activities held outside of school, nor can we quality assure their services.)

Click [here](#) to view organisations who offer a range of services to local families.