



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 that you are all looking forward to the half term break. As I write this, we are preparing the site for the Year 11 Record of Achievement ceremony. Thank you in advance to the key stage four team for all of their work putting the event together, to all of the students for their hard work and to all of the parents for their support. We hope you enjoy the afternoon.



Well done to all of the Year 11 and Year 13 students who are continuing to sit their GCSE and A level exams. Those in Year 11 have two more weeks of exams left after the half term break. The A level exam series lasts a little longer, but the end is in sight for both cohorts of students. I hope that the students can maintain their work ethic and keep pushing themselves to do as well as possible.

When we return from the half term break, the students in Year 8 will go on their PGL trip. Ms Jenkins has been in touch with parents to share all of the details of this. I am sure the students will have an awesome time and thanks in advance to all of the staff going on the trip. Students in Year 7 will have their end of year exams during the first week back. We wish them all of the very best with these and they can look forward to their PGL trip, which departs on Friday 16 June. Once again, I am sure that the students will have a wonderful time and thanks in advance to Mr Blakely, Mr Miller and the team for leading the trip.

And finally, good luck to the students who are training for and then will be the ball crew at the Surbiton Tennis Tournament. I am sure they will have a wonderful experience and many thanks to Mr Miller for all his work in preparing the students for this opportunity.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break

Kind regards.

Ms A Jackson, Headteacher

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2022

6 September to 16 December
 (Inset Day – 5-6 Sept & 31 Oct - 1 Nov - except Y11 & Y13)

Half Term

20 October - 1 November (see above)

Christmas Holiday

19 December - 2 January 2023
 (Bank hol 2 Jan)

Spring Term 2023

3 January – 31 March
 (Inset Day –20 Feb– except Y11, & selected Y12 & Y13)

Half Term

10-20 February (see above)

Easter Holiday

3 April – 14 April (Bank Hol 7 & 10 Apr)

Summer Term 2023

17 April – 20 July (Bank Hol 1, 8 & 29 May)

Half Term

29 May – 2 June

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- 5/6 - Y7 Exams start
- 5-7/6 – Y8 PGL Trip
- 6/6 – Y10 Consent workshop
- 9/6 – Y9 consent workshop
- 12-23/6–Y8,9,10 End of Year Exams
- 15/6 – Y10 Tate modern Trip

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OTHER NOTICES

Reporting your child's absence

When reporting your child's absence from school on the dedicated absence line, please ensure you provide their name, year and registration group, reason for absence and your details, please ensure you spell out your child's name to ensure they are marked correctly.

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

Please can we remind all parents to complete a MHCP for any student with a medical condition if you have not already done so. Also, if there are any changes to a current plan please complete and submit a new MHCP so we can update our records. You can [print a form](#) and return it to school.

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

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.

"The school has developed its curriculum far beyond regular lessons" Ofsted 2020

IN SAFE HANDS

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

School! Get in touch with the Designated Safeguarding Team

Mrs McGeoch: smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Ms Patel: spatel@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.....





HOLLYFIELD PTA NEWS

Quiz Night!

Friday 16 June

An opportunity to socialise with other adults in our school community

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hollyfield/>

7pm

£11 per ticket, food included

Date of Next Meeting:

Date of Next Meeting: **27 June**

7:30pm - Venue tbc

Pre-worn Uniform Store

1 July 2023, 10:00-12:00

At the old Music Building, next to the Dome, close to the Lamberts Road Gate

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

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 - [click](#)

PTA Website

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....



@hollyfieldpta



@hollyfield_pta



@TheHollyfieldSchoolPTA



ptahollyfield@gmail.com



hfptauniform@gmail.com



www.hollyfieldpta.org

THIS WEEK.....

TOP ATTENDERS

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 94.86%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7bLWI/7rKWH = 97.81%

8bHBL = 97.74%

9bKME = 98.18%

10rWGO = 97.42%

11bRLO = 96.45%

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

HOUSE POINTS



| | Eagle | Falcon | Osprey |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Year 7 | 8860 | 9487 | 10401 |
| Year 8 | 8958 | 9466 | 12810 |
| Year 9 | 8579 | 6825 | 6332 |
| Year 10 | 6314 | 7693 | 5523 |
| Year 11 | 2600 | 5360 | 2138 |
| Total | 35311 | 38831 | 37204 |

NEXT WEEK

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| Monday 5 June | Year 13 Assembly – Dining Hall Year 7 End of Year Exams (all week) |
| | Year 8 PGL Trip |
| Tuesday 6 June | Year 12 Assembly – Common Room Year 8 PGL Trip |
| | Year 10 Consent Workshop (all day) |
| Wednesday 7 June | Year 8 PGL Trip |
| Thursday 8 June | Year 9 HPV Vaccinations (2 nd dose) & Year 8 catch up (1 st dose) |
| Friday 9 June | Year 10 Assembly – Dining Hall Year 9 Consent Workshop (all day) |

FORTHCOMING DATES

5 June – Year 7 exams begin
 5-7 June – Year 8 PGL Trip
 12-23 June – Year 8, 9 & 10 End of Year Exams
 15 June – Year 10 Tate modern Trip
 16-18 June – Year 7 PGL trip
 19-23 June – Year 12 End of Year Exams
 22 June – Year 8 Grade8 Ceremony – 3.30pm

- 23 June – Year 11 Prom
 - 28-30 June – Year 5 Primary Workshops
 - 30 June – Public exams end
 - 30 June - Year 13 Prom
 - 3 July – Art & Design Exhibition – 4.00-7.00pm
 - 3-5 July – Year 10 Compulsory Computing
 - 5 July – New Year 7 Induction Day
 - 5 July – Year 6 Parents’ Information Evening
 - 6-7 July – Year 10 Sixth Form Taster Days
 - 6-9 July – Ilex Theatre production – tbc
 - 11 July - Sports Day
 - 12 July – Year 10 Sussex University Trip
 - 12 July – Year 7-8 Pride in Learning Event
 - 13 July – Year 10 Careers Day and Young Enterprise Employability Master Class
 - 5 July – Hollyfest
 - 17 July – Sports Personality of the Year
 - 17 July – Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 report emailed to parents
 - 17/21 July – Year 12 Work Experience Week
 - 20 July - End of Term – students dismissed from 12.00pm
 - 24-26 July – New Year 7 Summer Camp
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- 17 August – A2/AS Results Day
 - 24 August– GCSE Results Day

MISS O’SHEA’S TEACHING & LEARNING UPDATE



Instrumental Music Lessons



GUITAR LESSONS

KMS have space for guitar lessons at Hollyfield.
Apply now to start after half term.



For more details, follow the QR code or goto:
<https://www.kingston.gov.uk/music-service-1/music-lessons/1>

musicservice@kingston.gov.uk

GETTING TO KNOW THE.....

Computing Department

Mr Wyld

Mr Wyld has dedicated an impressive 31 years of his career to teaching IT at Hollyfield School, a tenure that feels like a lifetime given his unwavering commitment. Initially serving as the Head of the IT department, he played a crucial role in shaping the curriculum and guiding students in the realm of technology. However, Mr Wyld eventually transitioned to a more technical role, taking charge of managing the school's IT infrastructure, showcasing his proficiency in this domain. During that time Mr Wyld helped expand the school's network to over 250 computers in 9 computer suites and the LRC.

While his focus has shifted to teaching Computer Science, Mr Wyld's instructional journey has encompassed a diverse range of subjects, including Maths and Technology, throughout the years. As he embarks on a semi-retired phase, he continues to impart his wealth of knowledge and experience, devoting one day per week to teaching 6th form.

At the impressive age of 65, Mr Wyld defies conventional notions of retirement, embracing an active and vibrant lifestyle. An enthusiastic footballer, Mr Wyld continues to play 2 or 3 times a week, a testament to his enduring passion, he has been an integral part of the same football team Shene OGFC for an astonishing 37 years, engaging in exhilarating 11-a-side matches regularly and is due to take part in a footballing tour of Switzerland with them later this year. This remarkable commitment to both education and sports exemplifies Mr Wyld's unwavering dedication, vitality, and love for his chosen pursuits.

It sadly appears that Mr Wyld's long stay at Hollyfield is finally coming to a close, as he intends to fully retire at the end of this academic year.

Mr Blakley

Mr Blakley's journey at Hollyfield School is a testament to his unwavering commitment to education and his multifaceted talents. As a student, he embarked on his educational voyage from Year 7 to 13 within the halls of Hollyfield. Afterwards, he ventured to university to pursue his passion for Web Development and Design, gaining invaluable skills in the field. Eager to contribute to his previous school, Mr Blakley returned to Hollyfield as an IT Technician, dedicating almost four years to supporting the school's technological infrastructure.

Driven by a desire to inspire young minds, Mr Blakley pursued a PGCE at King's College London. Returning to Hollyfield as a PGCE student, he has since established himself as a respected Computing Teacher and the esteemed Head of Year 7. His extensive knowledge and expertise in the field allow him to guide and mentor students effectively.

Beyond his role as an educator, Mr Blakley is a qualified gymnastics coach, specializing in elite acrobatic gymnastics outside of school hours. His commitment to physical fitness and nurturing young talents extends beyond the classroom. Furthermore, his passion for innovation led him to pursue training and achieve the distinction of being a Raspberry Pi Certified Educator, amplifying his ability to integrate technology into his teaching practices. Mr Blakley's dedication to holistic education and his diverse skill set make him an invaluable asset to the Hollyfield School community.

Mrs Assam

Mrs Assam, a dedicated and accomplished professional, has been an integral part of Hollyfield School for a remarkable 18 years. Her journey began in Pennsylvania, USA, where she obtained a Computer Science degree and excelled as a programmer. However, driven by a passion for education, she made the bold decision to transition into teaching. In 2005, Mrs Assam joined Hollyfield School as an IT teacher, contributing her expertise and nurturing the minds of countless students. Recognising her exceptional skills, she was appointed as the Head of the Computing Department in 2013, coinciding with the introduction of the Computer Science curriculum. Building on her success, Mrs Assam assumed the role of Head of the IT & Business Faculty in 2020, showcasing her versatility and leadership qualities.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Mrs Assam's vibrant personality shines through her diverse interests. She finds joy in Latin Jazz Music, embracing its rhythms. Additionally, she channels her passion for nature through her love for gardening, tending to vibrant blooms with unwavering dedication. Mrs Assam also has a deep appreciation for the great outdoors and the serene beauty of the sea, often seeking solace and inspiration in their presence. Her love for hot weather complements her active lifestyle, as she enthusiastically participates in Zumba classes, staying energized and vibrant. Furthermore, Mrs Assam's culinary adventures take her to the kitchen, where she finds immense pleasure in cooking, experimenting with flavours and baking sourdough bread.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Links to Useful Information

[Term Dates 2022-2023](#)

[Uniform List](#)

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#) - PE

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#) - Drama

[Student well-being and safety](#)

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[Extra-Curricular Activities](#) - Music

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[Extra-Curricular Activities - All](#)

[Severe Weather Procedure](#)

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.

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](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/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.

RECRUITING NOW

Volunteer. Because childhood can't wait.

If you have **parenting experience**, a few hours spare each week and want to make a difference to a local family, join our network of trained volunteers, helping families with young children through challenging times. **Free volunteer course runs in Kingston** on Thursdays 9.30am-2.30pm from 4 May to 22 June (not half term 1 June).

To find out more, contact Angie Ahmed
info@homestart-rkh.org.uk
 020 8487 8500
homestart-rkh.org.uk

HOME START
 Richmond, Kingston and Hounslow
 Charity No: 1108975

Facebook, Twitter, Instagram icons.

KINGSTONIAN CRICKET CLUB PRESENTS

JUNIOR WINTER SESSIONS

OUR JUNIOR SESSIONS RUN EVERY SAT AND SUN FROM 14.01.23 TO 25.03.23 AT RICHARD CHALLENGER AND SHREWSBURY HOUSE SCHOOLS

U5-8 - SAT - 4.15-5.15PM (RC)
U9-16 - SAT - 5.30 - 7PM (RC)
U9-16 - SUN - 10-11.30AM (SH)

EMAIL: KINGSTONIANCC@GMAIL.COM MOBILE: 07948758469
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https://twitter.com/chessington_sch/status/1648267095241629701?s=51&t=PkkLWP4RcM3ecXLP-d6i_Q

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- **UNDERSTANDING CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH LEVEL 2**
S01159 | 21/04/23 | FRI | 09:30 - 16:30 | 10wks | £380/FREE | HC

- **DEVELOPING PERSONAL CONFIDENCE & EMOTIONAL RESILIENCE**
WR0068 | 22/04/23 | SAT,SUN | 09:30 - 17:00 | 1wk | £64/FREE | HC

- **EFFECTIVE LISTENING SKILLS LEVEL 2**
S01143 | 26/04/23 | WED | 09:30 - 12:30 | 5wks | £128/FREE | HC

- **CONFIDENT PARENTING & CHILD SAFETY**
S01162 | 10/06/23 | SAT | 09:30 - 16:30 | 1wk | £47/£23.50 | HC

- **STRESS & STRESS MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES LEVEL 1**
B01528 | 14/06/23 | WED | 18:30 - 21:30 | 8wks | £137/FREE | HC

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RUGBY PLAYERS WANTED !! ALL EXPERIENCE LEVELS WELCOME!

Junior Boys

Under 12 to Under 16 (school year 7 to 11)

Training every Thursday evening at Old Cranleighans Sports Club for:

U12s, U14s & U16s: 19:00 - 20:15pm
starting from Thursday March 2, 2023.

And Tuesday evenings at Old Cranleighans Sports Club for:

U18s: 19:00 - 20:15pm
starting from Tuesday March 28, 2023

For details contact: 07720 805834
admin@elmbridgerl.com

Elmbridge R.L., Old Cranleighans Sports Club, Portsmouth Road, Thames Ditton, KT7 0HB

TALENT ID DAYS

U7—U15 SATURDAY TEAMS
+ U16 SUNDAY TEAM

CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR 1-10 CHILDREN
WEDNESDAYS IN MAY

- + TOP DIVISION FOOTBALL
- + PROGRESSIVE CURRICULUM
- + PROVEN PATHWAYS
- + GAMES RECORDED
- + PREVIOUS LEAGUE AND CUP WINNERS
- + COACHES QUALIFIED TO UEFA STANDARD
- + ALL TEAMS HAVE A QUALIFIED COACH/MANAGER

VENUE
WEIR ARCHER LEISURE & FITNESS CENTRE

PITCH
QUALITY 3G & GRASS PITCHES

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