



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 are all well and enjoying the sunshine.

Firstly, I would like to extend my congratulations to Year 11 who have now completed all of their GCSE exams. We are looking forward to the prom this evening; traditionally this is a thoroughly enjoyable event where the Year 11 can dress up, celebrate their achievements and spend time together before the inevitable parting of ways for some. Congratulations also to Year 13, their public exams finish on June 27 and their prom is next Friday. Again, we are looking forward to this event, made even more poignant as they begin their preparations to move on to university. We are very proud of all both year groups have achieved and wish them all the very best with their next steps.

As many parents will be aware, we have launched our new behaviour system. The system is designed to praise successes and deal with any poor choices quickly so that students can understand what has gone wrong and start the following day with a clean slate. It is very early days, but the students have been very receptive to this and I'd like to congratulate them on their positive attitudes. In a few weeks' time we will ask for parental feedback on this, as always, we welcome your thoughts.

I am sure you will have read in the news that there are two further strike days planned for Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July. Myself and the senior team are currently finalising plans for these days and we will write to parents on Monday to explain our plans for these days.

And finally, I would like to extend my thanks to our wonderful PTA who hosted a fantastic quiz night last week and the feedback from parents was very positive with comments such as “It was a brilliant night! attendees and PTA volunteers looked like they were having fun”. “Great PTA team, fabulous food, great quiz and money raised for the school!”. There were 13 teams including a staff team and they raised an amazing £1393 which will be used for the school!

The PTA team and myself would like to thank everyone who attended and everyone who contributed their time to make the event possible! Money raised and fun had - a perfect combination.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend

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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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

Hollyfield Live is coming!

The Hollyfield Music Department is running an outdoor music festival 'Hollyfield Live' on Sat 15 July. It will run from 11am - 7pm and will be a fabulous day of live music across two stages. Performers will include students from across all Year Groups and include our fantastic Swing Band, Orchestra, Rock School Bands and Hollyfield Singers. Alumni coming back to perform include Grace Walker, Sophie Edge & Nadine Assam and the day will conclude with a headlining set from 'Finn & The Bin Men'. There will be a variety of food and drink on the day including a fully stocked bar. Join us for an amazing day of live music!

Tickets can be purchased via the QR codes on the advertising or via bit.ly/HOLLYFIELD-LIVE (case sensitive) OR via the school website.



HOLLYFIELD
Live

Live music across two stages
Saturday 15th July 11-7pm -Hollyfield School

FINN & THE BIN MEN
GRACE WALKER SOPHIE EDGE
LUMINOUS DUO AQUATIC APE THEORY ANTIDOTE
MONOCHROME DYLAN'S VILLAINS STATIC
THE DISCIPLES FAZED THE STICKY GECKOS
HOLLYFIELD ORCHESTRA HOLLYFIELD SINGERS
THE HOLLYFIELD SWING BAND AND MANY MORE...

TICKETS: £5 FOR ADULTS & £3.50 FOR STUDENTS/ CONCESSIONS
BUY TICKETS BY SCANNING THIS QR CODE OR VIA [BIT.LY/HOLLYFIELD-LIVE](https://bit.ly/HOLLYFIELD-LIVE) OR VIA THE LINK ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE

A FANTASTIC MIXTURE OF REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE ON SITE

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

Date of Next Meeting:

Date of Next Meeting: **27 June**
7:30pm - Waggon and Horses Pub
We meet in the side room, off the back bar

Quiz Night

13 teams, including a staff team, participated and we raised £1 393 which will be used for the school!

The PTA team wants to thank everyone who attended and everyone who contributed their time to make the event possible! Money raised and fun had - a win-win combination.

Book Tokens for the Library

Please nominate Hollyfield here:

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

for a chance to win book tokens for the school's library!

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

Please support The Hollyfield School PTA - Surbiton on #easyfundraising, you'll raise FREE donations for us with your everyday shopping. Plus, register before the end of the month and we could win an extra £500 donation! Look out for the Parentmail note with the link

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>

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 8 with a total of 93.79%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7rKWH = 93.79%
 8bHBL = 97.85%
 9rGST= 96.83%
 10bJTU = 97.31%

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

HOUSE POINTS

	 Eagle	 Falcon	 Osprey
Year 7	9610	10168	11183
Year 8	9621	9768	13329
Year 9	9286	7410	6859
Year 10	6840	8356	5735
Year 11	2600	5360	2138
Total	37957	41062	39244

NEXT WEEK

Monday 26 June	Year 13 Assembly – Dining Hall Grade8 Ceremony
Tuesday 27 June	Year 12 Assembly – Common Room Year 7 Assembly – Dining Hall
Wednesday 28 June	Year 8 Assembly – Dining Hall
Thursday 29 June	Year 9 Assembly – Dining Hall Year 5 Primary School Workshops
Friday 30 June	Year 7-10 Sports Day Assembly Year 5 Primary School Workshops Year 13 Prom – Glenmore House Public Exams End

FORTHCOMING DATES

26 June – Year 8 Grade8 Ceremony
 29-30 June – Year 5 Primary Workshops
 30 June – Public exams end
 30 June - Year 13 Prom
 1 July – PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale – 10.00am-12.00pm
 3 July – Art & Design Exhibition – 4.00-7.00pm
 3 July – Year 6 Parents' Information Evening

- 3-5 July – Year 10 Compulsory Computing
- 5 July – New Year 7 Induction Day
- 6-9 July – Ilex Theatre production – tbc
- 10 July – Year 12 Pre-WEX workshop
- 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
- 13 July – Sixth Form Brighton Trip
- 14 July – London Challenge
- 15 July – Hollyfield Live
- 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

- 17 August – A2/AS Results Day
- 24 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 7 864 Year 8 833 Year 9 705 Year 10 667

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

7bFKE 211 8bLCA 211 9rEWE/9bAHM 97 10bDMI 207

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7	Kaleb R	Year 9	Summer B
Year 8	Lexie D	Year 10	Marius P

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

CAREERS



Careers Briefing - 23 June 2023 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)

Year 10 Summer Careers Activities

Last week all Year 10 parents should have received a letter about the **Trip to Sussex University** on **Wednesday 12th July**. Please use this [Link](#) to access and complete the form to provide consent and the other important information we need.

Sussex has a large campus and welcomes school visits regularly to its site for an introduction to the idea of a university education: [University of Sussex](#) This university trip is part of the school's careers policy to ensure all students have encounters with providers of further and higher education. Even if students ultimately do not go to university, school is about providing the chance to research and explore a variety of educational settings so students can make an informed choice in the future. If you students do want to go on the trip the deadline for payment for this trip is the 3rd July so don't delay! Payment for the trip needs to be made via parentmail.

On the following day, **Thursday 13 July** we will also be running a **Careers day** in which Young Enterprise will be running an employability masterclass.



16+ choices

Year 10 are being encouraged to use [Unifrog](#) to help them to find out about their choices at **post 16**. There will be a range of open events that schools/colleges have for students to go and look around and get a feel for the place and courses. Hollyfield [Sixth Form](#) will have their open event in November and Mr Warren the Head of Sixth Form will be speaking to Year 10s this term and there will be subject taster sessions in the Autumn term.

Students can apply to as many Colleges/Sixth Forms as they like, we advise them to apply to at least two to keep options open and apply directly to each provider. Esher College has an open event on the 3rd July [How to Apply – Esher Sixth Form College](#) and most other sixth forms and colleges will have open events in the Autumn Term. Kingston College [Kingston College events](#) and NESCOL [Nescot Open Events](#) also have regular open events and it is worth checking their website for the first ones in September.

Students applying to Sixth Form or College normally need a minimum of 5 GCSEs at Level 4 and above including English and Maths to start on an A level or a Level 3 BTEC courses. However this varies a little bit and normally for A level subjects students are expected to have achieved a grade 5 or 6 in their GCSE (if taken).

BTEC Level 3 courses:

- Extended diploma (is equivalent to 3 A levels)
- Diploma (is equivalent to 2 A levels)
- Certificate (is equivalent to 2 A levels)

T Levels

There is also a new qualification which is being introduced called T Levels. T levels are a vocational qualification equivalent to 3 A Levels. Students are in college/sixth form and completed 45 days' work experience over the course. At present locally there are T levels in Education & Childcare, Finance and Accountancy at Kingston College. Ursuline School in Wimbledon offers T Levels in Laboratory Sciences, Digital Production, Design and Development and healthcare (adult nursing). These qualifications are new but worth being aware of and for more information see: [T Levels | The Next Level Qualification](#)

Year 10 Careers Interviews

Mr Poole has started organising careers interviews for Year 10 and by the end of Year 11 the aim is to have offered an interview to everyone. Certain students are prioritised by the school but anyone can ask for a careers interview. Interviews take place during the normal school day. Students can speak to their tutor who can email Mr Poole or parents/carers can contact him on ipoole@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk

Careers opportunities

Please see our **weekly careers bulletin** which has all the latest **careers talks, work experience, university events and apprenticeships**: [Sixth Form Opportunities 23rd June](#) which includes some virtual work experience opportunities in July with [Barclays Bank](#) and the [National Grid](#) and [BP work experience July 2023](#) for year 12s and an upcoming careers event below:



Friday 30 June - Saturday 1 July 2023, Olympia

London - book here: [STEP-UP EXPO](#)

The FREE two-day Step Up Expo features three main content zones including:

16+ Choices

Helping teenagers and parents through the minefield of education choices leading up to GCSEs:

- How best to revise for GCSEs
- A-Levels, T-Levels, BTEC or IB?
- Sixth form boarding options
- Should I move schools or college after my GCSEs?
- Meet independent school scholars

18+ Choices

Explore the different pathways towards work:

- What's it like to study at Oxbridge?
- Earn & learn: the apprenticeship route
- Careers in finance and the City
- Should I go to university?
- Careers of the future: robots, AI and the metaverse

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](#)

[Form Tutor List](#)

[The School Day Times](#)

[Extra-Curricular Activities](#) - Music

[Staff List and Structure](#)

[Donation to School Fund](#)

[Key Dates](#)

[Menus](#)

[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**.
- 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.

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

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

And Tuesday evenings at Old Cranleigh 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 Cranleigh Sports Club, Portsmouth Road, Thames Ditton, KT7 0HB

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)

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