





Week commencing - 15 April 2024



The Hollyfield School e-bulletin Surbiton Hill Road, Surbiton, KT6 4TU 020 8339 4500

"There is a distinct sense of community in the school" Ofsted 2020

Head's Line:

Dear Hollyfield Community

As is customary I have written to all parents with my end of term letter, a copy can be found <a href="here">here</a>.

Wishing you all a very happy Easter and an enjoyable Eid.

Amy Jackson Headteacher



# Term Dates Autumn Ter

**Autumn Term 2023**5 September to 21 December

(Inset Day – 4-5 Sept & 1-3 Nov - except Y11 & Y13)

**Half Term** 

23 October - 3 November (see above)

**Christmas Holiday** 

22 December - 5 January 2024

Spring Term 2024

8 January – 28 March (Inset Day – 19 Feb)

**Half Term** 

12-19 February (see above)

Easter Holiday

29 March – 12 April (Bank Hol 29 Mar & 1 Apr)

Summer Term 2024

15 April – 19 July (Bank Hol 1,

6 & 27 May)

Half Term

29 - 31 May

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- 15/4-Start of term-9.20am Reg
- Y13 Trial Exams (all week)
- 17-18/4–GCSE Textiles & 3D
- 18-19/4 Y11 BTEC Media Exam
   19/4 Y13 Text In Performance
- 19/4 Y13 Text In Performance Exam
- 19-21/4 Netball Tour
- 22/4 Public exams begin
- 22/4 Y11 Report emailed home
- 22-26/4- Y12 Trial Exams

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#### **OTHER NOTICES**

#### 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 office@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**

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 <u>print a form</u> and return it to school.

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

If you have changed your contact details, please email the school office on <a href="mailto:office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">office@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a> 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 <a href="mailto:lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">lsutton@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a>.

"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: <a href="mailto:smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">smcgeoch@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a>

Ms Patel: <a href="mailto:spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk">spatel@hollyfield.kingston.sch.uk</a> 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**

# **Pre-loved Uniform Store Next session: 20.04.2024 (after Easter Holiday)**

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.

In an emergency situation, students can speak to the team at the school office to ask for access to the Uniform Store in the old music building.

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

## **HOLLYFEST 2024**

Is currently being planned! Watch this space for more details! Breaking news! You can book your early bird tickets here! https://www.ptaevents.co.uk/hollyfield/

## **Next PTA/Hollyfest Meeting Monday 15 April**

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!

Join us at the Hollyfield, Exam building, next to the Dome, 7:30pm,

[What three words location: holds.bravo.drives] Entering from the top gate off Lamberts Road.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

## **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/support-a-goodcause/step-1

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....











# THIS WEEK.....

# **TOP ATTENDERS**

The year group with the highest overall attendance so far this year is Year 7 with a total of 93.12%. The top form group within each year this week is:

7SNE = 97.27% 8DKE = 97.08% 9LCA= 93.75% 10EWE = 96.67% 11BRO = 91.2%

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

# **HOUSE POINTS**







	Eagle	Falcon	Osprey
Year 7	10473	10720	10993
Year 8	9040	8825	8512
Year 9	7748	8239	7423
Year 10	6335	4910	4655
Year 11	1592	4305	1961
Total	35188	36999	33544

# **NEXT WEEK**

Monday 15 April	Start of Term – 9.20am registration		
	Year 12 Assembly – Common Room		
	Year 13 Trial Exams Including Practical and Oral (all week)		
Tuesday 16 April	Year 13 Assembly – Common Room		
-	Year 7 Assembly – Dining Hall		
Wednesday 17 April	Year 8 Assembly – Dining Hall		
	Year 11 GCSE 3D Exam		
	Year 11 GCSE Textiles Exam		
	Year 8 & 9 Reach Out - (Exam Centre) (6.00-8.00pm)		
Thursday 18 April	Year 9 Assembly - Dining Hall		
	Year 11 GCSE 3D Exam		
	Year 11 GCSE Textiles Exam		
	Year 11 BTEC Media Exam		
Friday 19 April	Year 10 Assembly – Dining Hall		
	Year 13 Text In Performance Exam		
	Year 11 BTEC Media Exam		
	Netball Tour (to 21 April)		



## **FORTHCOMING DATES**

29 March - 12 April 2024 - Easter Holidays

15 April – Lessons start 9.20am

18 April - GCSE Textiles & 3D Exam

19-21 April – Netball Tour

22 April - Public exams begin

22 April – Year 11 Report emailed to parents

22-26 April - Year 12 Trial Exams

25 April – Year 7 & 8 Junior Maths challenge

25 April – Yea 8 Fulham Social Action Final (Arsenal Emirates Stadium (10am-3pm)

25-26 April – GCSE Art Exam

30 April – 2 May – A Level Art Exam

2 May - Year 10 Parent Consultation evening

3 May - Year 11 Passport Assembly

5 May - GCSE Coursework Deadline

6 May – Bank Holiday

6-24 May -Year 7, 8, 9 End of Year Exams

7 May – Year 13 Report emailed to parents

12 May - GCE Coursework Deadline

14-15 May - Year 6 Interviews (4.00-6.00pm)

23 May - Year 12 Devising assessment Performance

24 May - Early Closure due to Year 11 Celebration event - 12.00pm

27 - 31 May 2024 - Half Term

6 June – Year 10 Tate Modern Trip

10-28 June - Year 10 Trial Exams

17-28 June - Year 12 End of Year Exams

21 June - Year 13 Prom

24 June - Year 7, 8, 9 Report emailed to parents

28 June - Public exams end

28 June - Year 11 Prom

2 July - Year 10 Sussex University Trip

3 July – New Year 7 Induction Day

4 July - Art & Design Exhibition - 4.00-7.00pm

4-6 July – Ilex Theatre Performances – 7.00pm

9 July - Sports Day

10-11 July – Activities Day

13 July - Hollyfest

15 July – Year 10,12 Report emailed to parents

15-19 July – Year 12 Work Experience Week

19 July - End of Term - students dismissed from 12.00pm

15 August – A2/AS Results Day

22 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,

## The Hollyfield School



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 1037 Year 8 869 Year 9 671 Year 10 720 Year 11 145

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

7SNE 255 8RHU 212 9HBL 160 10KEM 222 11DMI 107

The top performing students from each year were:

Year 7 Clara W Year 9 Charlie B Year 11 Oliver A

Year 8 Jaden G/ Antoni B Year 10 Jasmine W

## **NEURODIVERSITY WEEK**

We had some wonderful entries for the competition in Celebrating Neurodiversity week, see the entries here.

## **CAREERS**

Careers Briefing - 28 March 2024 Mr Poole & Miss Corrighan (Careers team)



Year 8 Visit to Imperial College University of London & Dell technologies workshop



**D&LL**Technologies



Congratulations to those Year 8s who attended an aspirational workshop in London on Tuesday 26 March. Students travelled up on the train and tube to take part in a one day workshop developed by Talent Foundry and supported by Dell technologies. The workshop offered students the opportunity to use Dell technology in a collaborative problem solving challenge focused on future local and global issues. Students presented their ideas to a



group of judges. The top three winning ideas were proposing scientific solutions to reduce the health risks of Vaping: "Reforestation" on how to reverse the decline of forests across the world and "Binbot" a robotic and speedy solution to problems of litter in our local community.

## Kingston College Friday 17 May 2024

Students who game, or students within Business or Computing or Media who are interested in finding out more about esports and careers pathways available in the sector, then the X4 Championship Series Tournament is a fantastic way to see esports in action and as a genuine post-16 / -18 option.

Opened to Year 9 students upwards, visiting students will be able to:

- play casually or participate in the tournament competitively (individually or within a team);
- hear from H.E providers (such as the <u>College of Esports</u>) and other stakeholders about next steps and progression in one of the fastest-growing industries in the world.

## Year 10 Sussex University Trip - 2 July 2024



All Year 10s parents should have received a letter via parentmail about the visit to Sussex University in July. This trip is an important part of the careers provision for Year 10. This visit is an opportunity to visit a successful campus university and gain insight into higher education. Parents should pay via parentmail and send the medical form into school via the <u>Year 10 tutors</u> who will ensure Mr Poole receives the

form: Sussex University 2nd July Parent Letter

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## **Links to Useful Information**

Term Dates 2023-2024
Uniform List
Extra-Curricular Activities
Severe Weather Procedure

Form Tutor List
The School Day Times
Student well-being and safety
Donation to School Fund

Key Dates
Menus
Staff List and Structure

#### 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-psycological-society-five-ways-to-boost-resilience-inchildren/

## **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: <u>information and advice</u> 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: <u>0800 1111</u>.
- 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: <u>116 123</u>.



- 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: <u>0808 2000 247</u>/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.



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.

# Counselling and Therapy

## Morag Shrafeddin

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NETBALL -**C**ACH

## RICHMOND NETBALL CAMP









Open to players Qualified of all abilities

Outdoor friendly venue

2ND, 3RD APRIL 8TH, 9TH\*, 10TH APRIL

GREY COURT SCHOOL, RICHMOND UPON THAMES **TW107HN** 

9.00AM - 12NOON

SCHOOL YEARS 3-10 (SPLIT AGE GROUPS)

BOOK HERE

\*Guest coaching from England player Emma Thacker Tuesday 9th





mww.netballcoachuk.com/camps









Limited time offer! Quote HOLLY24 at checkout and get 20% off when you book this Easter with Camp Beaumont. With over 50 activities on offer Camp Beaumont can guarantee that this Easter holiday at The Hollyfield School will be truly unforgettable! Offer valid until 28/03/2024, book your place now <a href="https://www.campbeaumont.co.uk">https://www.campbeaumont.co.uk</a>

## **Newsletter post:**

Camp Beaumont is thrilled to be back at The Hollyfield School this Easter for school holiday childcare and activity days, and for a limited time only quote **HOLLY24** at checkout and save 20% on your booking (offer valid until 18/03/2024). As the UK's most established day camps provider, dating back over 40 years, Camp Beaumont host the most magical, inspiring and confidence-building activity days created with different age groups in mind. Working with industry-leaders in programme design, children can expect a huge range of over 50 exhilarating indoor and outdoor activities including Superhero Academy, Soft Play Ninjas, Clay Workshop, Aqua Olympics, Mini Archery and Rockstar Challenge; all tailored by age group and season. There are also chill-out areas available for campers who want some relaxation time. Camp Beaumont gives local children the opportunity to meet new, likeminded friends and have lots of fun together away from screens in a friendly and welcoming environment. With flexible booking options available, childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare accepted, Camp Beaumont is a flexible and affordable school holiday childcare option for busy parents in the local area.















Kingston Adult Education has a packed summer programme full of creative, wellbeing, maths, English and vocational courses

Classes take place throughout the week at various times, both online and

For further information, visit https://bit.ly/KAE-Summer2024

SCAN HERE FOR COURSE







**Kids Teens Adults** 

Tel-07540998100

**KING**STON **MAR**TIAL ARTS







If you have some free time, and you are a parent or grandparent (or have similar experience), you could help other families with pre-school children. Local charity Home-Start is offering a free course to train you to be a home-visiting volunteer, supporting families with difficulties such as post-natal illness, bereavement or disability. The course will run in Hampton Wick from 9.45am-2.30pm, on Thursdays from 9<sup>th</sup> May to 20<sup>th</sup> June (not half-term 30<sup>th</sup> May). After the course, volunteers visit and support a family for 2-3 hours a week. For more information, please contact Erin on <a href="mailto:erin@homestart-rkh.org.uk">erin@homestart-rkh.org.uk</a> or volunteer@homestart-rkh.org.uk or 07884 536161.

