

Newsletter Holmesdale Infant School

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

January

31st—Inset Day

February

14th - Last day of term!

17th-21st - Half term

24th—Return to school

Easter holidays (April)

3rd—Last day of term!

6th-17th Easter Holidays

Progress Meetings

Tuesday 31st March

Thursday 2nd April

Parent progress meetings will take place on the 31st March and 2nd April between 3:30PM—6:00PM.

More information will be sent nearer the time including how to book an appointment.

Woods Visits

January

22nd : Ash woods (AM)

29th: Chestnut woods (AM)

February

5th: Maple woods

12th: Willow woods (AM)



Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a fun and relaxing holiday! The children have returned to school full of enthusiasm, and we have plenty of exciting activities and events planned for 2020.

School Building Works Update

We would like to thank you all for being so patient and understanding whilst the school is being updated.

Work continues on the roof, and is progressing well and continues at a good pace.

Work is due to start next week on Ash classroom, and we would again like to thank you for your continued support.

Eco Bring and Buy Sale

A letter about the school's Eco Bring and Buy sale as well as more information about the school's eco work will be sent shortly.



Class Assemblies

This term, the format of our class assemblies may change slightly. Instead of a traditional assembly, parents will be invited into class to see what the children have been working on and have an opportunity to view their children's work.

February

6th—Oak class at 2:15PM

13th—Chestnut class at 2:15PM

March

26th—Ash Class at 2:15PM

Procedures in the event of Adverse Weather

We aim to open as usual every day. In the event of adverse weather conditions we will follow our usual procedures. Please be aware that:

- Weather conditions are monitored on an on-going basis, and the school site is checked regularly.
- We use the Parent Hub app and radio stations to communicate any changes/ closures.
- Please do not ring school to enquire re: status—we are open unless the web, app or radio says not. In the event of an early closure we will use our app.
- Please be aware that in some instances it is not always possible to open the gate from Holmesdale Road; health and safety of students, parents and all that enter the school site are our priority. If this is the case we will endeavour to communicate via the Parent Hub app this information. If it is unsafe for you to bring your child to school please phone the school office to inform us.



Informing School of an Absence

Please inform the school office of any illness or medical appointments by 9:30am on the first day of absence. This can be a telephone call on 01246 413284 or email to: info@holmesdale.derbyshire.sch.uk. If your child is late for school (after 9am) please report direct to the office and not the classroom so that the register can be marked accordingly and a dinner can be ordered for your child.

Labels!

PLEASE remember to write your child's name on EVERYTHING that comes to school. This will enable staff to return items to rightful owners and hopefully alleviate the stress of parents constantly missing uniform, lunch boxes, etc.

PE

Please ensure that your child has an adequate PE kit in school for both indoor and outdoor PE. If your child wears earrings, they need to be removed on PE day, or if this is not possible, a plaster covering the earrings should be put on before school. Members of staff are not allowed to remove earrings or place plasters over them.

If you are unsure of the days your child has PE, please check with their class teacher.

Schools Dinners

A reminder for all parents: All changes to the lunch your child has at school must be reported to the school office. Changes cannot be made on the day, and 2 weeks notice must be given.

Your child must either be packed lunch or school dinners, not a mix of the two. If you have made a change to the lunch your child has at school and not reported this to the office, please do so as soon as

Parking

Just a reminder for all parents that if you are parking around school during drop-off or pick-up, please park safely and considerately for our students and neighbours.

We would like to ask that parents help us to administer our own one way system by only entering the Avenue from Stonelow road and exiting on to Green Lane.

The police will be around school during these times to help tackle this issue.