

NEWS



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News

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Phonics Information Session for Parents in Reception and Year 1.

We are pleased to be able to offer a Phonics information session for parents in Reception and Year 1 on Monday 8th October, to be held in the old ICT room at 8.45am. The session will be led by Ms Davies and Miss Clements. It would be very useful to have some idea of numbers so would appreciate if you could sign up on ParentMail using the forms section. We hope that this informal session will be informative and give you the chance to ask any questions you may have.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Some of our parents are arranging a coffee morning on Monday 1st October from 08.45-11.00. This is a cause that is close to many of our hearts. Your help in supporting the event with donations of cake and / or a visit to the Village Hall on the morning will be much appreciated. If you can't stay, take-away will be available, why not pop in to grab your morning drink and enough cake to make you more popular at work!

Sporting Events

Inter school sports events for all classes for the whole academic year are listed below. The cost of these are covered by the Governments Sports Funding Please be aware that dates and events may change due to unforeseen circumstances. Please put these dates in your calendar and be reminded that we will be using your permission slips signed on entry to the school, therefore if you do not wish your child to participate please advise the school office in writing.

Fri 28 Sept	Football	Year 5	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Sat 6 Oct	Cross Country	Year 3/4/5/6	9.30 – 12.00	Gayhurst School
Fri 12 Oct	Netball	Year 4	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 2 Nov	Tag Rugby	Year 6	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 16 Nov	Basketball	Year 3	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Sat 17 Nov	Cross Country Event	Year 3/4/5/6	9.30-12 noon	Lowndes Park
Thur 17 Jan	Gymnastics	Year 1	9.15-10.30	Holmer Green Junior
Thur 24 Jan	Handball	KS2	1.15-3.00	LKCS
Sat 27 Jan	Cross Country Event	Year 3/4/5/6	9.30-12	Hervines Park
Fri 1 Feb	Gymnastics	Reception	9.15-10.30	Holmer Green Junior
Thur 14 Feb	Cross Country	KS2	1-3pm	Hughenden Park
Fri 15 Feb	Handball	Year 5	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 2 Mar	Gymnastics	Reception	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 8 Mar	Tag Rugby	Year 4	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Sat 9 Mar	Cross Country Event	Year 3/4/5/6	9.30-12	Gayhurst School
Fri 15 Mar	Football	Year 2	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Thur 21 Mar	Tag Rugby	KS2	1-3pm	Great Missenden
Fri 29 Mar	Multi Skills	Year 2	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 10 May	Multi Skills	Year 1	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Thu 13 June	Athletics	KS2	1-3pm	Prestwood Junior
Fri 14 June	Volleyball	Year 6	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior
Fri 28 June	Cricket	Year 3	12.30-2.45pm	Holmer Green Senior

Message from FOLKS

Chiltern's Ultm8 Warrior event is fast approaching on Saturday 29th September, so have you confirmed your child's place yet? It promises to be a really fun event and is open to all children aged 4-11. **Please share the details with your friends at other schools and clubs!**

For tickets and further information please click on the Eventbrite link below:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/chilterns-ultm8-warrior-tickets-48324948221>

School Library

Every Wednesday the school library will be open to children and their parents. You are invited to come along and borrow books or have a read together! Opening times are 3.15 until 4.15. We will also have story time using story sacks for the children. We look forward to seeing you there!

Mindfulness

There are still spaces on the mindfulness course which you have had details of last term, and can still be found on the website under 'I am a pupil / clubs'. This course offers our children the opportunity to experience some Mindfulness and awareness of breath training. We have been invited to offer this course by a fully trained Mindfulness teacher, Emma Hudson, who has been teaching for 3½ years with adults and children.

'Mindfulness' is all about paying attention to your breath and an awareness of the present moment. It helps with behaviour, concentration, relationships and a general feeling of wellbeing. It also helps to reduce stress, anger, fear and anxiety.

Emma will be running a 16 week programme on Tuesday mornings from 7.30am to 8.30am in the school hall, which started on Tuesday 18th September. A member of staff will be present at all sessions. There are 14 spaces left which will be offered on a first come first served basis for pupils in Years 3 to 6. The cost will be £90.00 for the course. Please sign up on ParentMail in the usual manner.

School Photographs

The children will bring home their individual and sibling photographs today. Please follow the instructions on the proof card for ordering. The deadline for ordering is **2nd October**. All orders received after the deadline will be subject to a late charge of £5.

Morning clubs at School

We are delighted to see so many children opting to join clubs at school. Please can we request that, for morning clubs, parents drop children off and then leave to ensure that the children can all concentrate on instructions, and to avoid some children becoming upset.

Rotary Shoebox – our Harvest appeal

The eldest child in each family should have brought home a flat pack shoe box from the Rotary Club. This is a charity which supports children in underdeveloped countries by sending a Christmas parcel to an individual child. Details of how to make the parcel (using the provided shoebox) are on the leaflet attached. Their recommended donation is £2.00 per shoebox to be placed in an envelope on the outside of the box, as this saves the charity money. Please send completed parcels into school **by Thursday 12th October at the latest** to enable us to arrange a collection. If you would like more than one of your children to participate in this very worthwhile cause, please collect a box from the School Office.

Forgotten Items - reminder

An increasing number of parents are still dropping in lunch boxes, book bags, coats, etc. after drop off. This is both disruptive to the office staff and the class. Will you please ensure your child has all of their belongings before they leave home. We need our children to be as organised and as independent as possible. Also Mrs Boyle is unable to walk without crutches at the moment. Thank you for your co-operation.

Walk To School

From next Monday we shall be introducing the Go For Gold scheme to encourage children to walk to school, an issue raised by the Year 5 and 6 Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) at assembly this week. Children will bring home a Bronze record card this week which they must use to record their walking to school by presenting it to the JRSOs on the main playground when they arrive each morning. Please note, this must involve a walk from at least the common or Meadow Cottages at either end of Windsor Lane. The JRSOs will add a sticker or stamp into the card for every walk achieved. When the card is filled, a small prize will be presented at assembly and the child will progress onto a Silver card, then to Gold where the prize is a free entry to a swimming pool or similar leisure facility.

Celebrations

House Captains

We are pleased to announce that following this week's vote, congratulations go to the following pupils who are this year's House Captains:

Ruby	Robert	Polly
Sapphire	Jack	Anna
Amber	Callum	Lily
Emerald	Max	Luella

Students from Denmark

We are very fortunate to have been awarded the opportunity to welcome forty Danish Secondary students to our school on Wednesday 26th September. They are from a village school near the capital of Denmark. They will be split into groups of 10, and will be spending the day working alongside our Year 3-6 pupils. This is a wonderful opportunity for both countries to share cultural experiences and make new friends. We are very much looking forward to welcoming them.

Merit Certificates awarded this week

Congratulations to:

Year 1	Edith	Kayla-Anne
Year 2	Finley	Darcie
Year 3	Tobi	Fleur
Year 4	Winter	Isabelle
Year 5	Jaden	Arianna
Year 6	Tom	Olivia

Next Week ... at a glance

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Y4 Swimming
Thursday	4.30 Y5 River Dart Meeting
Friday	
Saturday	Ultm8 FOLKS Event

Yours sincerely



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