



## **NEWSLETTER – 12.09.2024.**

Dear Parents

Welcome to a new school year at Holmwood. I hope that you have all had a great holiday!

It was fantastic to see all the children arrive in their school uniforms.

Our Home/School Partnership is an essential part of Holmwood School. Please remember to keep good contact with us. If you need to speak to anyone at school, please give us a ring on 01642 819157.

### **PUPIL ABSENCES**

The Government has set clear and strict rules on attendance. If a phone call is not received explaining that your child is not in school due to illness, then it will be recorded as unauthorised; this may result in a fine or court appearance. This is something the school would like to avoid. Please ensure you call us if your child is not in school.

If your child is absent from school, please inform us by telephoning school before 9.30am.

Due to new Safeguarding advice procedures, we cannot accept messages from bus escorts or Middlesbrough Transport as to why a child is not in school. Therefore, parents must call school on 01642 819157 and inform us as to why their child is absent.

If the school has not been informed, Mrs Mahmood, our school Clerk, will contact you at home to follow up your child's absence. If there has not been any contact, a senior member of staff will do a home visit that day.

### **ATTENDANCE**

From September 2013, national guidance came into force which means that no holidays in term time can be authorised. All holidays in term time are therefore unauthorised absences from school. However, if you should go on holiday you must inform us of the dates.

### **DINNER MONEY**

Dinner money for the Autumn term is still £2.40 per day (£12.00 per week).

Dinner money must be paid on a Monday, or you may send £2.40 each day. Cheques should be made payable to Middlesbrough Borough Council.

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

The uniform is a navy blue sweatshirt, navy or white polo shirt and can be worn with dark trousers or skirts.

If you want the uniform to have the school logo on, prices and sizes are on the attached order form. If you wish to place an order please send the money in with the completed form. Cheques should be made payable to Middlesbrough Borough Council.

## **NUT ALLERGY – PACKED MEAL INFORMATION**

If you send your child to school with a packed meal, we would like you to consider the contents and ingredients of the food you put in their meal box. Please can you ensure that the packed meal contents do not contain any nuts or sesame seed items. If in doubt, please contact school and we will hopefully be able to offer further guidance.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

<b>Wednesday 16 October 2024</b>	Parents' Evening – 3.30pm to 5.00pm – More information to follow nearer the date.
<b>Thursday 24 October 2024</b>	School Photographer will be in school to take individual and group photographs.
<b>22/23 October 2024</b>	Harvest Festival – you will be informed which date your child's class will be attending the local church nearer the date.
<b>Professional Development Days</b>	You will be informed of any PD Days once they have been arranged.

## **MEDICATION IN SCHOOL – REMINDER**

If your child needs to take medication in the form of tablets when in school, we have been advised that the following procedures **must** be adopted.

1. Please send 1 week's supply at a time to school, preferably on a Monday morning.
2. Only send tablets in their sealed packaging - do not take the tablet out of the packaging.
3. Do not allow your child to carry tablets.
4. Bus Supervisors can carry tablets and notes, but can **NOT** pass on verbal messages about medication.
5. All information about medication **MUST** be passed through the school secretary. You may either write a note or ring into school.
6. The school must be informed of **ANY** changes in medication dosage or timing with a letter from the GP or consultant.
7. If you are unable to administer a prescribed medication before school, please either come into school, or keep your child at home until medication is sorted out.
8. If you have any specialist arrangements you need to make, please contact school.

## **JEWELLERY**

Please ensure that your child does not wear earrings/rings/necklaces etc for school as it could be damaged, lost or could cause an injury.

## **SAT's WEEK – MONDAY 12 MAY TO THURSDAY 15 MAY 2025**

As with every school, our SAT's results are an important indicator of the school's success. It is especially important that all Y6 pupils attend during SAT's week, and we have an emergency procedure for any pupil who may be ill or where there are any problems during the week.

If your child is in Y6 this year, please help us by ensuring that no holidays are arranged for the week beginning 12 May 2025.

**In some cases, the local authority could issue a significant fine per pupil.**

# HOLMWOOD SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDER

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ school **sweatshirts**.  
(Navy only)  
The size required is:-

- 5-6 yrs (26/28cm) (Price £9.50 each)
- 7-8 yrs (30cm) (Price £9.50 each)
- 9-10 yrs (32cm) (Price £9.50 each)
- 11-12 yrs (34cm) (Price £9.50 each)
- 13 yrs/ XS/S/M (Price £11.50 each)

Please send me \_\_\_ school **polo shirts**.  
Navy White (Please tick which colour)

- 5-6 yrs (Price £8.00 each)
- 7-8 yrs (Price £8.00 each)
- 9-10 yrs (Price £8.00 each)
- 11-12 yrs (Price £8.00 each)
- 13 yrs (Price £8.00 each)
- S/M/L (Price £10.25 each)

I enclose a cheque/cash for \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent of \_\_\_\_\_

## MIDDLESBROUGH SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAYS

2024/2025

SEPTEMBER						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tues		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thur		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

OCTOBER						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thur	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

NOVEMBER						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tues		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thur		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24		

DECEMBER						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tues		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thur		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

JANUARY						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tues		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thur	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

FEBRUARY						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tues		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thur		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22		
Sun	2	9	16	23		

MARCH						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tues		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thur		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

APRIL						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thur	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

MAY						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tues		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thur	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

JUNE						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tues		3	10	17	24	
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thur		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

JULY						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tues	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thur	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

AUGUST						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tues		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thur		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

Term time	
Holidays	
Bank holiday	