



**Nursery direct line: 01463 251 921**

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Welcome back to Term 2 – lots of exciting things to come in the next few weeks! We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new pupils starting this term.

**Staffing**

You may have noticed a few new adult faces in the nursery at the moment. This is to cover staff absence and professional development. We would also like to extend a warm welcome to Miss Hamilton who will be with us for the next 4 weeks on placement from Aberdeen University. Please be assured that you can speak to any of the team about your child and they will pass on the information to the relevant person.

**Parental Engagement**

Thank you to all parents who returned the developmental overviews we sent home before the October break. It is not too late to return them – we welcome your feedback about your child and their learning.



**Parents' Evenings**

We will have a chance to share further information about your child's learning at Parents' Evening on Nov 13<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. A separate letter will come home about this soon either via your child or an older sibling in the school. Appointments are available for all nursery parents on these evenings. Please note that Miss Morrison, Mrs S Morrison and Mrs MacRae will be unavailable at this time. They will make separate arrangements with their families on their return to Nursery

**Stay and Play**



We would like to invite all parents of 3 year old children to sign up for a stay and play session on November 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. You will find the signup sheet in the Nursery cloakroom. This is an opportunity for you to see your child during their time at Nursery and to engage in some of the routines we have in place. If you would like to sign up for a session but are unavailable on those dates please speak to a member of staff.

**Nursery Photographs**

We will be visited by the school photographer on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November. Individual photographs only will be taken on this occasion. If your child does not normally attend Nursery on this day you are more than welcome to come to reception at either 10am or 1pm and the photographer will take your child's picture. Please inform a member of the nursery staff if you do NOT want your child to be photographed. Orders for photographs are due to be back in time for Christmas.



**My Learning Journey**

If you haven't had a chance yet to look at your child's folder please feel free to take it home after Parents' Evening. Please be sure to add a comment at the front of the folder.

**WOW moments**

In order to recognise personal achievement in its widest form please feel free to help yourself to a WOW moment sheet from the cloakroom. This is a chance for you and your child to share an achievement with us and to add it to our new WOW wall! There are no achievements too big or too small to be recognised!





### **Bon-Ween Disco**

This is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 6.00-7.00pm in the school hall. Nursery pupils are most welcome but they must be accompanied by an adult. Entry is £2.50 and you can come in fancy dress or just as you are. There will be juice, crisps, sweets and glow bands on sale.



### **School Lunches**



The new lunch menus have started this week. There are now three choices for lunch each day, orange, blue or green. Blue will always be a sandwich choice – with the filling changing each day.

There will always be milk and water available to drink. Please speak to the door person when ordering lunch if you have any questions/concerns.

### **Blythswood Shoebox Appeal**

Thank you from ourselves and the Scripture Union Group for all of the donations we have received for our shoebox appeal. The shoeboxes will be made up this week and sent off next week to arrive with the lucky recipients in time for Christmas.

### **Website**

Our blog is now up and running again, you will find this at [www.holmprimary.co.uk](http://www.holmprimary.co.uk). The blog shares our learning for the week along with photographs and newsletters. Please visit the site as these pictures will be updated regularly.

### **Sickness**

Just a wee reminder that if your child is sick or has had diarrhoea they cannot return to Nursery until 48 hours after the last episode. This prevents the spread of germs to other children and staff. If your child will be absent please contact the Nursery team on **01463 251 920**



### **Clothing**

As the weather is starting to get colder, can you please ensure your child comes to Nursery in suitable clothing for learning indoors and outdoors including a warm/waterproof jacket. It is vital that everything is labelled with your child's name.

### **Easy fundraising**

When doing your Christmas shopping this year why not use [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk). This is an easy way of raising money for the school and nursery. The cause is Holm School Parent Council.

### **Christmas Party**

The nursery children will be having their Christmas party with Primary 1 on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> of December. All children will be invited to attend, even if they don't come to nursery on a Friday. More information to follow.

