



## Holm Primary School

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15<sup>th</sup> May 2019

### European Elections -23<sup>rd</sup> May

As you are aware the school will be closed on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May for the European elections. The Highland Council want to ensure that all pupils can have access to a meal on that day. What is on offer is a pre order packed lunch option which will be taken home by pupils at the end of the school day on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. The packed lunch offering will consist of: a ham or cheese sandwich, a piece of fruit, a tray bake or fruit cookie, yoghurt and water. Please note some items may vary dependant on availability.

To enable time for ordering the necessary stock for both food and packaging supplies, the catering service needs the pre-order numbers by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Please be aware this service is available to all pupils, i.e those paying and those entitled to a free school meal. For those not eligible for free school meals, the cost will be the normal price of a school meal at £2.30. Packed lunches will need to be pre ordered - orders and payments to the relevant school kitchen by **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May - please complete the form attached/reply via email.**

**Once all packed lunches are collected and taken home/away, Highland Council will not accept further responsibility. It will be for parents and carers to accept responsibility for the appropriate storage of the packed lunch in relation to food safety.**

### Spring Fayre

Congratulations to all who were involved in making the spring fayre such a runaway success. The feedback from children and families is that they thoroughly enjoyed the day. We appreciate how much planning and organisation goes into preparing for such events and we are grateful to all members of the Parent Council for doing such a marvellous job. We do not have a final sum raised at present as the raffle still has to be drawn this Friday.

### Quality Improvement Officer Visit

Lesley Taylor, QIO for the IRA area school group will visit Holm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May. The purpose of the visit is to discuss with the head teacher the school improvement plan for next session and this year's standards and quality report. Mrs Taylor will also evaluate progress made in terms of pupil profiling, a development on this session's plan. As part of her visit she will speak to pupils in classes across the school to assess their understanding of the process and rationale of learning conversations and key assessment tasks.

### School Photographs

The school photographer will be in school to take Vista photos for children in Nursery, Primary 1 and Primary 7. We would ask that children in P7 wear their school polo shirts and sweatshirts on this day and not their leavers' hoodies.

### Gymnastics Success

Congratulations to our gymnastics club members who participated last weekend in the Scottish Schools Floor and Vault Championships in Perth and were placed fifth. As the children were competing against other groups across the whole of Scotland this is a significant achievement. Well done to all pupils and their coach, Mrs Claire Mackenzie.

### Loch Insh Update - Primary 7

The children should wear their red school sweatshirts and not their hoodies to travel down on the bus to Loch Insh. This makes it easier to identify the pupils for check-in on arrival as other schools will also be using the provision.

### Class Allocation

The matter of class allocation was raised at Parent Council this week. We are currently in the process of configuring numbers for classes but this remains a changing picture due to a number of recent enrolments. We do not anticipate next session's classes will be issued to parents before Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. There may also be changes to staffing and we will keep you updated when we have further information.

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### Closing Assembly P4-7

This year's closing assembly will be on Tuesday 25th June at 9.45am. Parents and friends are most welcome to attend. All children should wear school uniform. We will be seating the children prior to admitting parents and friends to the hall. Consequently, there will be no admission before 9.40am. There will be reserved seating for Primary 7 parents and entry will be only through the front door of the school.

On the day of the assembly there will be no snack available from the canteen, so parents are asked to provide their children with a snack for play time.

### Inset

A reminder that the school will be closed on Monday 3rd June to enable all staff to attend in-service training. This training will feed into our school improvement plan which will be actioned next session.

### Creative Cafes

The dates of the remaining creative cafes are as follows:

Primary 6 - Tuesday 28th May

Primary 4 - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

Times will be confirmed by class teachers.

### Upcoming Diary Dates

Event	Class	Date
Opera Visit to Eden Court	P3	Friday 24th May
Dental Inspections	P1 & P7	Wednesday 29th May
Scottish Ensemble Workshop	P3-P5	Wednesday 29th May
Infant Sports	P1-3	Monday 27th May 1.30pm
Senior Sports	P4-7	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May 1.30pm
Inter Schools' Sports	team selection	Saturday 25th May
Baillie Cup	team selection	Saturday 1st June



## Packed Lunch Request Form - European Elections – Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

**Please only complete and return if you DO require a packed lunch for your child(ren)**  
(If receiving this newsletter via email, please feel free to reply with your requirements)

**Forms must be returned no later than Thu 16<sup>th</sup> May – we apologise for the short notice**

**Pupil(s) Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide a packed lunch for my child(ren):**

- P1-P3 (free) - I require \_\_\_\_\_ no. of packed lunches
- P4-P7 (£2.30) - I require \_\_\_\_\_ no. of packed lunches, I enclose £ \_\_\_\_\_
- Eligible/Registered for Free School Meals – I require \_\_\_\_\_ no. of packed lunches

**Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_