

Holbrook School News



4th September 2020

One way or another...

Dear Parents and Carers.

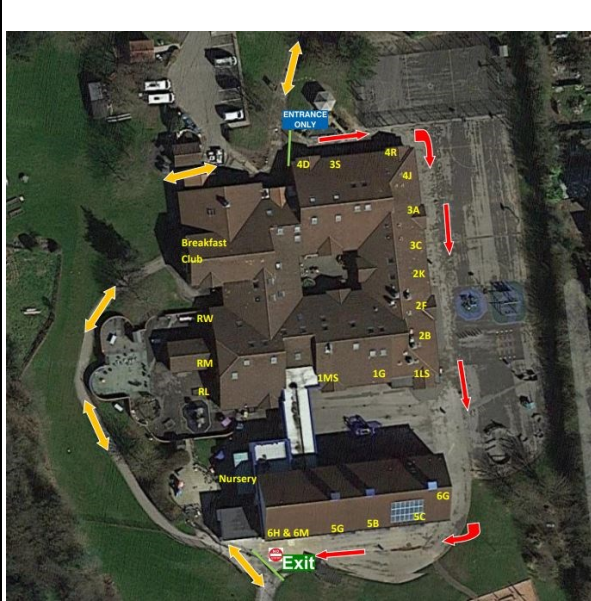
The start of a new school year is such an exciting time for both pupils and staff, this year more than previous years as it is great that the Holbrook School community can be back altogether under one roof on the same day.

There has been a great of buzz excitement from the school gates that again is filling the school as everyone enjoys being back and getting stuck into their learning.

We have put in place many procedures to keep the whole of the Holbrook School family safe—pupils, staff and parents.



One of the most noticeable things is the one way system on the playground. It is a slight inconvenience if you need to drop your child off in Year 5 or 6 as you have to walk all the way around the playground—maybe the older pupils could build their independence by walking (just complete the form) so we know they are allowed to walk. However the one way system gives a better flow of parents and pupils around the school at busy times and allows everyone to keep good social distancing measures in place. We welcome your support in keeping us all safe.



Even though we are back in school together we remain in year group bubbles. This unfortunately means that we can't invite parents in to celebrate achievements in our BEST Awards Assembly as we have done in the past—hopefully we will be able to return to this at some point this year when conditions allow. However we all love to share the excellent learning that our pupils do, not just in class but across the whole school so we will be keeping our virtual assembly that we did each week during lockdown. This will then be uploaded to our school Youtube channel, so parents, carers and wider family members can share in a child's success when they receive an award. If your child does bring home a certificate, please try and watch the assembly as this really raises the value of the award for your child.

After an exciting first few days, I hope that you all have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

The week ahead!

Monday 7th	PE Kits—Year 6 & Year 3
Tuesday 8th	
Wednesday 9th	PE Kits—Year 5
Thursday 10th	PE Kits—Year 1 & Year 4
Friday 11th	Whole School—Virtual BEST Assembly Online from 2:30pm

PE Kits.

As part of our COVID plan, on days where pupils have PE they will need to come dressed in PE kit and will stay in it all day. PE might be in the hall, but could be outside—so please dress appropriately.

Black t-shirt, black shorts, black tracksuit and sensible none marking training shoes.



<https://www.holbrookprimary.com/school-information/school-uniform/>



Weekly Challenge

Be mindful of your BEST!

- **Be active...** Aim for 60mins of exercise a day
- **Eat healthily...** Remember your five a day
- **Sleep well**
- **Take time for you...**

Be healthy inside and out!

Challenge 23... On your bike!

This weekend the weather looks okay... so why not dust off your bike, check the brakes and adjust the seat and get cycling.

Every time you go for a cycle do an "M—check" on your bike. Here is a great 3 minute clip to help you.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qtx60bcNk0>

As with our challenges please e-mail in any picture you take and if your picture is picked for the newsletter you get a BEST point!

Water bottles.

Please make sure your child comes with a **full** water bottle—or even two! With our COVID safety measures pupils can't refill bottles.

Stay hydrated.



Bring a water bottle.

Data Sheets—Brown Envelopes.



Today, your child has gone home with a brown envelope with important documents to complete for school—emergency contact details etc.

Please make sure you check them carefully and return them as soon as possible so we have an up to date record in school.



Guidance

Guidance for full opening: schools

Updated 28 August 2020

COVID Information for Parents

As a school we have followed National Guidance from the Department for Education and advice from Coventry County Council to make sure we reduce the risk to the school community.

We ask that any pupils showing symptoms of COVID-19 and their brothers and sisters stay at home and parents arrange for a test for the child to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19).

If the child tests positive they will need to start a 10-day isolation period from the day they develop symptoms.

Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.

During this time the teachers will arrange work for pupils who have to isolate and the Learning Mentors will keep in contact with families so we can get pupils back into school as soon as it is safe to do so.

<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>

Bring them back!



Book Amnesty

With the sudden lockdown last year—guided reading books and library books didn't get returned so the books look a little bare in places.

Please check your books at home to see if you have any school books and return them, you won't get in trouble, in fact the teachers will be pleased to have them back.