



## NOTICES FOR ALL PARENTS Week ending 26th September 2025

### Labelling

Please help us to return lost items to you by labelling all items of clothing, bookbags and water bottles etc. Thank you.

### Library Volunteers

We are seeking volunteers to assist with tidying and organising our school library. If you are available and would like to contribute, your help would be greatly appreciated. We want to establish a regular volunteer schedule, so if you are interested in offering your support, which could be an hour or two each week or fortnight, please tell us. This will help us to ensure that the library remains a welcoming and well-maintained space for all our students to enjoy.

If you can help, please let Mr Charles or Mrs Hill know by speaking to them directly or via email through the office.

### Online Safety Weekly Updates – Youth Violence

Youth violence affects one in four children in the UK, but it doesn't have to. The right support, mentoring, therapy and guidance can help young people affected by violence to feel safe, manage conflict and make positive choices.

### Feeling Good Friday

It is World Mental Health Day on Friday 10th October. Our theme is 'connect' and we will be thinking about the importance of our wellbeing and mental health throughout the day. Rainbows represent diversity and unity, we're all different but we belong together. The children may wear their own clothes, choosing colours that they love and to represent the many different connections in our lives. Thank you.

### Taster Day - Thursday 2nd October 2025

Our Caterers, Twelve15 are offering a change to the advertised menu on Thursday 2nd October 2025. Please [click here](#) for the menu options that day. If your child has a special diet this will be catered for. **If your child currently has packed lunches**, please complete [this form](#) to let us know if you would like them to try the school lunch on that day. Please complete the form by **Monday 29th September** so that the food can be ordered in time.

### KOOSA KIDS Holiday – October Half Term

KOOSA Kids are pleased to be operating their October Half Term Holiday Club at Holmesdale School from Monday 27th to Friday 31st October. Their exciting, action-packed Spooky Skele-Bration activity programme is designed for children aged 4-13, featuring a mix of games, art & crafts, science, drama, sports and their famous Go Karts. They will also be holding a Spooky Party on Friday 31st October with party games, music, dancing and lots of fun! Children can join staff in dressing up in their spookiest outfits and take part in the fancy dress parade. Dressing up is always optional. Prices start from just £30.00 per child, per session (Standard day 10.00am to

4.00pm; longer days available) an 8% discount on a full week booking and your third child goes FREE (siblings only)!

Visit [www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club](http://www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club) for more information or call 01276 21884. See the [Autumn/Winter brochure](#) for full details, dates, venues and what is coming up at Christmas and February Holiday clubs. Bookings are open.

### **Reigate and Banstead – October Half Term Activities**

The council's school holiday activities are not for profit and aim to provide affordable activities for children to be active, learn a new skill and build confidence. They offer a 50% discount for families in receipt of benefits and are also able to offer free spaces for families in need. [Please see attached.](#)

### **Midday Supervisor Role**

We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated Midday Meals Supervisor to join our dynamic team at Holmesdale School. Please click [here](#) for more information and to apply.

### **Greensand Job Opportunities**

Please [click here](#) for current opportunities within Greensand MAT.

### **Follow us on Facebook/Instagram**

Stay updated on all the latest news, events, activities, and celebrations in our school. Follow us on Facebook [here](#) or on Instagram [here](#). Please invite family and friends to follow us as well.

## **NOTICES FOR NURSERY PARENTS**

### **Learning Journeys**

Thank you to those who have already returned the decorated learning journeys. They look brilliant. If you have not returned these yet, please can you do so next week.

### **Snacks in Bags**

Please **do not send any additional snacks** in your child's bag.

We have children with **severe food allergies**, and unsupervised snacks may put them at serious risk. Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us keep all children safe.

### **Can you help?**

We hope to replant our woodland and EYFS garden area. If you can donate herb plants/seeds or spring bulbs, it would be appreciated. Please give any contributions to your child's teacher.

### **Junk Modelling**

Please collect any clean, empty small boxes (not cereal boxes), empty kitchen roll cylinders, yoghurt pots, bottle lids and send them into school.

**We have several children who have a severe allergy to nuts, eggs, and gluten so we ask that NO EGG BOXES or CEREAL BOXES, INCLUDING CEREAL BARS, be sent to school for junk modelling. Please ensure that all yoghurt pots are thoroughly washed out. Please also remember not to send in any packaging that contains nuts or sesame seeds. Thank you!**

## **NOTICES FOR RECEPTION PARENTS**

## Childhood Flu Programme and Height and Weight Checks

Reception children are offered flu vaccinations on Friday 5th December. Please register your consent online. In the [Surrey Immunisation Team's letter](#) you will find the link to the Immunisation Flu Portal and the school's Unique Reference Number (URN). Copy and paste the URN and click on the link - this will take you to the correct page where you can fill out the online consent. The deadline to register is 12 noon on Monday 1st December, but please do register as soon as possible to enable enough time for administration. Even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination you will still need to register your preference. The School Aged Immunisation and Screening Team will conduct weigh and measure checks at the same time, there is a [letter attached](#), this is a national opt out programme and if you do not wish your child to be measured, please email the team [scfh.contact@hrcrgcaregroup.com](mailto:scfh.contact@hrcrgcaregroup.com)

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## 'Super Me' Day

Just a reminder that Reception will be celebrating 'Super Me' day on **Friday 3rd October**. Children are invited to come to school dressed as a superhero in an outfit that reflects their 'Superpower' e.g., kindness, humour, strength, bravery, friendship, love etc. Please do not purchase an outfit. We **strongly encourage** a home-made costume - cape, pants over trousers/shorts and a home-made mask (if applicable).

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## Pupil Premium

If you have a child in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 and you are eligible to register for Pupil Premium, please complete [FSM Application Form](#) and return it to the school office by **Monday 29th September**.

More information is given in the [Handbook for Parents September 2025](#) (available on our website).  
Eligibility criteria 1 – if either parent is in receipt of the following:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual gross income of no more than £16,190, as assessed by HMRC. N.B. If you receive WORKING TAX CREDIT you do NOT qualify even if you receive child tax credit and your income is below £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

Eligibility criteria 2 – Application for other pupil premium

- If your child is a looked-after child (LAC) i.e. in the care of, or provided with accommodation by an English local authority
- If your child ceased to be looked after by the local authority because of adoption, a special guardianship order, a child arrangements order or a residence order.
- If either or both parents are regular members of HM Forces and designated as personal category 1 or 2 (PStat

Cat 1 or 2), in the armed forces of another nation and stationed in England or in receipt of a child pension from the Ministry of Defence.

Eligibility criteria 3 – no recourse to public funds

If you are a family with no recourse to public funds and your immigration category is one of the following, please complete the [Application form for No Recourse to Public Funds](#)

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Article 8 of the ECHR

Section 4 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999

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BN(O) Passport holder

Spousal visa holder

Work visa holder

Student visa holder

Other

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## NOTICES FOR YEAR ONE PARENTS

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### Socks

If you have any old socks that you can spare, please send them into school on Monday. We will be using them for an activity that involves drawing on them so paler coloured socks would be preferable if possible! It's fine if they are stripey or patterned. Thank you very much.

### Toys from Home

Please remind your children not to bring toys into school. It would be very upsetting for the child if they were to lose a precious toy at school. Thank you.

### Wellington Boots

When your child brings boots in for outdoor learning, please may you put them in a named bag so they are easy to store and we can keep mud off the carpets. Thank you.

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### **iRock Bands – Spaces available**

[iRock School of Music](#) provides rock and pop music lessons on Friday afternoons and after school. iRock gives children the opportunity to join their very own rock band, making learning music fun while also aiding other important skills such as confidence and teamwork. At the end of each term every band performs for parents and carers in the school hall. There are currently spaces on all instruments in the after-school band running from 15:05-15:35 and some spaces in the four bands running during the school day. Please see [Enrol | iRock Rock and Pop Band Lessons](#) for more information.

## NOTICES FOR YEAR TWO PARENTS

### **Childhood Flu Programme**

Year 2 children are offered flu vaccinations on Friday 5th December. Please register your consent online. In the [Surrey Immunisation Team's letter](#) you will find the link to the Immunisation Flu Portal and the school's Unique Reference Number (URN). Copy and paste the URN and click on the link - this will take you to the correct page where you can fill out the online consent. The deadline to register is 12 noon on Monday 1st December, but please do register as soon as possible to enable enough time for administration. Even if you do not want your child to have the vaccination you will still need to register your preference.

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For any previous notices please refer to the [Holmesdale School website](#)