

NOTICES FOR ALL PARENTS Week ending 10th July 2026

End of Term - Friday 17th July

School and nursery close at 1.30pm on the last day of term. Year 2 will finish at 1.40pm as we say goodbye and wish them every success in their new schools.

Reading Books

Please return all **Little Wandle** reading books by **Monday 13th July** to allow staff to complete a stock audit. **Decodable readers and library books** should be returned by **Thursday 16th July**. As a school, we deeply value the importance of reading and want to encourage all our children to enjoy books over the long summer holiday. Please see below for details about the

Summer Reading Challenge run by local libraries - a fun and free way to keep children reading during the break. If you are unable to visit the library or don't have access to many books at home, please speak to your child's teacher. Children are very welcome to borrow books from our school library to enjoy over the summer. We know our children at Holmesdale are *responsible penguins*, and we trust they will take care of the books and return them in September.

Summer Reading Challenge

Reading regularly over the summer helps children to maintain the skills they've worked so hard to develop during the school year. Just a few minutes of shared reading each day can improve vocabulary, boost imagination, develop empathy, and support writing skills too. We encourage all families to enjoy books together during the holidays.

You can:

- Borrow books from our school library. (Speak to your child's class teacher.)
- Join your local library's Summer Reading Challenge – it's free, fun, and a great way to keep children motivated and excited about reading. Please find details below.

Summer Reading Challenge 2026 – Read to the Beat!

The Summer Reading Challenge, run by The Reading Agency in partnership with local libraries, is a free way to keep children reading and having fun throughout the summer holidays. Children can sign up at their local library, earn rewards, enjoy exciting events, and choose from books, picture books, comics or audiobooks – it all counts! Families can also take part online from home.



This year's theme is Read to the Beat! For the first time, children are encouraged to set their own personalised reading goals based on their interests, whether that's exploring new genres, discovering poetry, graphic novels or audiobooks. Everyone who joins will also receive a special edition of Storytime magazine packed with stories, games and musical activities.

To find out more information, click on the link below:

[Regular events and activities in Surrey Libraries - Surrey County Council](#)

Thank you for continuing to support your child's reading journey. Making a little time to read each day really does make a lasting difference

Online Safety Weekly Updates – Keep Children Safe Online Over Summer.

Please see the attached flyer for advice on keeping children safe online during the summer holidays, including maintaining open conversations about online activities, protecting privacy, and encouraging healthy screen-time habits.

Medicines in School

If your child is leaving Holmesdale School at the end of this term and has any medicine/inhaler kept at school, this will be handed over to parents at the end of school on Friday 17th July. If your child will be returning to us in September and you wish to take their medicine home for the holidays, please collect this from the school office when you collect your child on Friday 17th July. Do remember to return all medication to the school office on your child's first day in September.

Sun Hats, Water Bottles and Sun Cream

With the warm weather set to continue, a gentle reminder to please ensure your child has sunscreen applied before school and brings a named sunhat and a water bottle each day. Thank you for your continued support.

KOOSA Kids Summer Holiday Club

KOOSA Kids are excited to be operating their Summer Holiday Club at Holmesdale Community Infant School from **Thursday 23 July to Wednesday 26 August**.

Designed for children aged **4–13**, their action-packed activity programme includes games, arts and crafts, go-karts, science activities, and lots of fun challenges. Each week features a different theme, making every week unique and exciting

Please [click here](#) for more information, visit www.koosakids.co.uk/holiday-club or call 01276 21884.

Greensand Job Opportunities

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

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NOTICES FOR NURSERY PARENTS

End Of Year Party

Next week, we will be making a special souvenir to help us remember our time in Nursery. We will also enjoy some dancing and games and watch a short film with a packet of Pom-Bears and a drink of squash. Thank you to the PSA for generously sponsoring this event.

Please see ingredients for the party food below:

Ingredients - Pom-Bears

Dried Potato, Sunflower Oil, Potato Starch, Maize Starch, Maize Dextrin, Sugar, Salt, Potato Protein, Yeast Extract, Emulsifier: Mono- and Diglycerides of Fatty Acids, Potassium Chloride, Paprika Powder

Ingredients - Orange Squash

Water, Orange Fruit from Concentrate (10%), Acid (Citric Acid), Sweeteners (Aspartame, Saccharin), Preservatives (Potassium Sorbate, **Sodium Metabisulphite**), Natural Flavouring, Acidity Regulator (Sodium Citrate), Stabiliser (Cellulose Gum), Natural Colour (Carotenes)

Ingredients - Blackcurrent and Apple Squash

Water, Fruit Juices from Concentrate (Apple 9%, Blackcurrant 1%), Acid (Citric Acid), Natural Colour (Anthocyanins), Acidity Regulator (Sodium Citrate), Sweeteners (Aspartame, Saccharin), Preservatives (Potassium Sorbate, **Sodium Metabisulphite**), Natural Flavouring

NOTICES FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

End Of Year Party

Next week, we will be making a special souvenir to help us remember our time in Reception. We will also enjoy some dancing and games, and watch a short film with a packet of Pom-Bears and a drink of squash. Thank you to the PSA for generously sponsoring this event.

Please see ingredients for the party food below:

Ingredients - Pom-Bears

Dried Potato, Sunflower Oil, Potato Starch, Maize Starch, Maize Dextrin, Sugar, Salt, Potato Protein, Yeast Extract, Emulsifier: Mono- and Diglycerides of Fatty Acids, Potassium Chloride, Paprika Powder

Ingredients - Orange Squash

Water, Orange Fruit from Concentrate (10%), Acid (Citric Acid), Sweeteners (Aspartame, Saccharin), Preservatives (Potassium Sorbate, **Sodium Metabisulphite**), Natural Flavouring, Acidity Regulator (Sodium Citrate), Stabiliser (Cellulose Gum), Natural Colour (Carotenes)

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Extra-Curricular Clubs – Autumn Term

We are delighted to offer a range of lunchtime and [after-school clubs](#) for Year 1 and Year 2 children during the Autumn Term. We are especially pleased to introduce two new clubs starting in September. **Reigate School of Dance** will be bringing Street Dance, while **Sporties** will be adding Cheerleading to their existing range of clubs. Booking information for some clubs is still being finalised, and details will be shared with parents shortly. Please [click here](#) to view clubs available to book from Monday 6th July.

Early Morning Club bookings – Autumn Term 2026

[Early Morning club](#) bookings for the Autumn term will open on **Thursday 9th July**. The Club is open to children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and is accessed through the on-line booking system [Scopay](#).

NOTICES FOR YEAR ONE PARENTS

Auditions for ‘Holmesdale’s Got Talent’

The children did so well with their auditions; we all enjoyed celebrating everyone’s talents together. We were treated to gymnastics, musical instrument playing, dancing and tricks including balancing an impressive number of pencils on someone’s head! Well done, Year 1! However, only two ‘acts’ can represent Year 1 in the final on **Wednesday 15th July**. These children and their parents have been informed; we wish them much luck in the final and can’t wait to cheer them on! Thank you for all your support with practising at acts at home.

End Of Year Party

Next week, we will be making a special souvenir to help us remember our time in Year 1. We will also enjoy some dancing and games, and watch a short film with a packet of Pom-Bears and a drink of squash. Thank you to the PSA for generously sponsoring this event.

Please see ingredients for the party food below:

Ingredients - Pom-Bears

Dried Potato, Sunflower Oil, Potato Starch, Maize Starch, Maize Dextrin, Sugar, Salt, Potato Protein, Yeast Extract, Emulsifier: Mono- and Diglycerides of Fatty Acids, Potassium Chloride, Paprika Powder

Ingredients - Orange Squash

Water, Orange Fruit from Concentrate (10%), Acid (Citric Acid), Sweeteners (Aspartame, Saccharin), Preservatives (Potassium Sorbate, **Sodium Metabisulphite**), Natural Flavouring, Acidity Regulator (Sodium Citrate), Stabiliser (Cellulose Gum), Natural Colour (Carotenes)

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Parents with children starting Reception in September 2026

- For children starting Reception in September 2026, link codes will be sent to parents and carers on their first day of school.
- Bookings can then be made from the second day onwards. If you would like your child to attend the club on their first day, please email: bookings@holmesdale.surrey.sch.uk and we will arrange this for you.

We reserve spaces for our new Reception children. To help us plan for September, we would appreciate it if new parents could complete [this form](#).

NOTICES FOR YEAR TWO PARENTS

Plastic Bag

Please could your child bring a named bag into school this coming **Monday 13th July** so that they can start gathering all their work to bring home for the end of term.

Year 2 Leavers Assembly

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the Year 2 Leavers' Assembly on **Tuesday 14th July at 9:30am**. The performance will take place in the school playground, and the playground gates will open shortly before it begins. The assembly will last approximately 45 minutes. Seating will be limited, but you're welcome to bring a folding or camping chair.

Party Day

Year 2 will be holding their end of term 'party day' next **Thursday 16th July** and we have a whole day of fun activities planned for them including a visit from 'Magic Marty'! They are welcome to come into school in their party clothes for the day or to wear their leavers shirts. We hope that it will be a wonderful day of celebrations to end their time at Holmesdale.

As part of the celebrations, children will be given a Fruit Shoot drink and Love Hearts sweets. Please see ingredients below:

Fruit Shoots Apple & Blackcurrent:

Water, Fruit Juices from Concentrate (Apple 6%, Blackcurrant 2%), Acid (Citric Acid), Natural Flavourings, Acidity Regulator (Sodium Citrate), Carrot and Blueberry Concentrate, Antioxidant (Ascorbic Acid), Sweeteners (Acesulfame K, Sucralose)

Love Hearts Mini Rolls Candy Sweets Swizzels:

Sugar, Acidity Regulator: Malic Acid; Anti-caking Agents: Stearic Acid, Magnesium Stearate, Magnesium Carbonate; Sodium Bicarbonate, Modified Starch, Flavourings, Colours: Anthocyanin, Beetroot Red, Copper Chlorophyllin, Curcumin, Lutein, Paprika Extract.

Reading books

As your child is leaving Holmesdale, please do have a really good look around your house for any school books that may have been lost or misplaced throughout their time at school and bring them back by Wednesday 15th July. Thank you

Last Day of Term – Friday 17th July

On the last day of term, Year 2 will finish at 1.40pm so that we can say goodbye and wish them every success as they move on to their new schools.

Children are welcome to wear their leavers' tops if they wish.

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