

# Holyoakes News



Friday 20th September 2024

## National Fitness Day!

Thank you to all parents who attended our Family Fitness session as part of National Fitness Day on Wednesday morning. Along with their children, they took part in a range of fun activities with coach Jade, providing parents with lots of ideas on how to keep children fit outside school.

The children thoroughly enjoyed seeing their parents being put through their paces. Well done everyone!



### DATES FOR THE DIARY

Thursday 26th September –  
Open Evening Reception  
2024/2025 4:30-5:30

Monday 30th September –  
Friday 4th October –  
NSPCC Speak Out Stay  
Safe Week

Monday 30th September –  
Wednesday 2nd October –  
Year 4 Malvern residential

Tuesday 8th October – Year  
4 Bikeability

Wednesday 16th October –  
Parents Evening 3:15–5:45

Thursday 17th October –  
Parents Evening 3:15–5:45

Tuesday 22nd October –  
Flu nasal spray Rec-yr4

## Phonics Workshop!

Parents are invited to attend a phonics workshop on Wednesday 25th September at 9am, this will take place in the main school hall.

During this workshop, we will be showing you the phonics scheme used and how phonics is taught within school. We will also be explaining how you can support your child with their reading at home.

We will be showing examples of activities used and help you to understand how Phonics is taught. This workshop is relevant for all parents whose children are in the early stages of reading from Nursery through to Year 2. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

# Phonics

## Pupil data

Pupil data catchment forms were emailed home at the start of this week. Thank you to everyone who has already completed theirs. Can we please ask that all forms are completed by Monday 23rd September. It is vital that we have up-to-date contact details for all adults with parental responsibility well as details of any emergency contacts.

## After School Clubs

## Lunchtimes

After school clubs start on Monday 23rd September. Please see listed below pick up locations for each club. Please ensure you arrive on time to collect your child.

*\* If your child is booked into Funzone they will be taken there at the end of club.*

Lego club—Elm class (Monday)

Cooking club—DT room (Monday)

Singing club—Ash class (Monday)

Homework club—Maple class (Monday)

Gardening club—Willow class (Tuesday)

Sewing club—Rowan class (Tuesday)

KS1 Dance club—Cedar class (Tuesday)

KS2 Dance club—Pedestrian gate (Tuesday)

Recorder club—Oak class (Wednesday)

KS1 Multi Sports club—Pedestrian gate (Wednesday)

KS2 Multi sports club—Pedestrian Gate

Whilst children are in the hall eating their lunch, there are times when children are asked to be quiet so that pupils who have hot meals can hear their name being called to go to the lunch queue. When they are eating their lunch, we encourage children to use indoor voices so they can all hear each other. As is normal for young children, this can at times get very loud and lunchtime supervisors may ask children to practice sitting quietly until all the hot dinners are called.

Please be assured, children are not made to sit in silence.



## Feedback from parents and carers

At Holyoakes we value the feedback we receive from parents both positive and negative because we cannot improve our practices unless we are made aware of issues you may experience or concerns that you may have. We aim to address and solve issues promptly once something has been raised. We believe that positive and constructive relationships are at the heart of every successful school.

Almost all parents, carers and visitors to the school are keen to work with us and are supportive of the school. If you have a concern and it relates to your child or children, then please raise your concerns with us directly. If your child's class teacher cannot resolve the concern, it will be passed onto a member of the senior leadership team. If you feel the concern has not been addressed to your satisfaction, then please follow this through by requesting a meeting with the head teacher.

