

# HOLLY GROVE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



7<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025



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**We hope you had a great weekend!!**

## Reminder

Merry Berries will be closed during the final week of term (week commencing Monday 14th July) due to essential maintenance work.

This means there will be no sessions running that week. We understand this may cause some disruption and appreciate your understanding and flexibility as we carry out work to ensure the space remains safe and welcoming for our children.

## Ultra Marathon



On July 19th, Phillip Smith will be taking on an incredible challenge: an ultra marathon, running 100 miles in under 24 hours, from Bamburgh Castle to Edinburgh Castle, to raise funds for the Georgia Fourie Butterfly Fund. This cause is close to Phillip's heart, as his partner Terri works at Holly Grove School, and together, they want to make a difference in the lives of the wonderful children of Holly Grove and their families. Phillip is aiming to raise £2000 for this amazing cause so please join us in supporting Phillip's incredible feat by donating as much as you can. Every contribution, big or small, will help make a meaningful impact. Let's help Phillip cross the finish line for a truly special cause!

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## Chill and Chat

We are holding our next Chill and Chat group on

**TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025  
FROM 1-3PM.**

This is an informal group for our parent's/carer's and you are welcome to attend, have a brew and a chat.

There will be no guest speaker at the group this week, however, it is an opportunity for you to unwind and chat with other parents. Our new family support worker will be attending, so you will have the chance to meet Carley and suggest any ideas you feel may be beneficial for next year.

**PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING IN ANY SNACKS TO SHARE.**

## Staff Development

Wednesday 3pm-4:30pm

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June  
Workshops

Wednesday 18th June  
Medical Training

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June  
Class Team Meetings

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July  
Class Team Meetings

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July  
Full Staff Meeting

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Please help us raise money!!!

We want to raise £500 to help support future holiday clubs and you can help us achieve this by signing up to our easyfundraising page today. It's a really simple way to raise money for Georgia Fourie Butterfly Fund through your everyday online shopping with brands like Amazon, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Etsy, John Lewis and Argos and it's completely free! Please support us:

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## Stay and Play

Here is a list of each class' stay and play sessions for the Summer Term.  
You are very welcome to attend the session of the class your child belongs to.

|                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| Aisling's Class  | 2.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Katie's Class    | 19.6.25 at 1.30pm  |
| Samantha's Class | 2.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Josh's Class     | 1.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Rebecca's Class  | 25.6.25 at 10.30am |
| Laura's Class    | 9.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Courtney's Class | 25.6.25 at 1.30pm  |
| Adam's Class     | 3.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Julie's Class    | 2.7.25 at 1.30pm   |
| Jenny's Class    | 25.6.25 at 1.30pm  |
| Alex's Class     | 4.7.25 at 9.30am   |
| Michael's Class  | 1.7.25 at 1.30pm   |



100 CLUB  
JULY 2025



Well done to our July  
100 club winners  
Cheques are in the post.

Number 77 - Joanne Colton £50

Number 85 - Krisztina Jo £25

WINNER



100 CLUB  
AUGUST 2025



Well done to our August  
100 club winners  
Cheques are in the post.

Number 74 - Mark Holmes £150

Number 61 - Emma Duckworth £50

WINNER

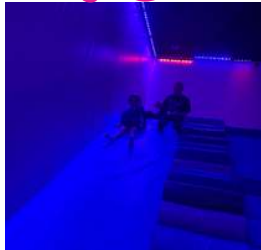




We are so proud of Roxana for  
communicating her emotions last week  
**Well Done Roxana**



# Space Centre



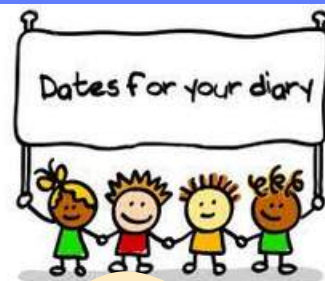
Katie's class had an exciting summer trip to the space centre, where they enjoyed all the sensory equipment and the slides. They especially loved playing in the ball pit, diving and jumping through the balls. It was a fun-filled day full of adventure and happy memories.





We really welcome any positive comments or suggestions you may have about Holly Grove School. Please click the link to share your views with us. Please note this is for comments and suggestions only and although checked regularly will not be checked daily. Any queries, concerns or complaints should be submitted in the normal way by contacting your child's class teacher, a member of SLT or by following the Procedure for Handling Complaints Policy which can be found on our school website or by requesting a copy from the school office.

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**MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Karen's Celebration Assembly

**FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Yr6 Celebration Assembly

**MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Awards Assembly

**TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Chill and Chat

**FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

School closes for summer holidays

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## HOLLY GROVE HEROES



**Aisling's Class** Caledon

**Katie's Class** - Zack

**Samantha's Class**-Nasir

**Rebecca's Class**- Arthur

**Josh's Class** - David

**Courtney's Class** Ayaan

**Laura's Class** - Henry

**Julie's Class** - Roxana

**Adam's Class** - Lucy

**Alex's Class** - Isaac

**Jenny's Class** Theo

**Michael's Class** -Macie-Rose





# Jump Back Up July 2025

MONDAY



TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Take a small step to help overcome a problem or worry

2 Adopt a growth mindset. Change "I can't" into "I can't...yet"

3 Be willing to ask for help when you need it

4 Find something to look forward to today

5 Get the basics right: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time

6 Pause, breathe and feel your feet firmly on the ground

7 Shift your mood by doing something you really enjoy

8 Avoid saying "must" or "should" to yourself today

9 Put a problem in perspective by seeing the bigger picture

10 Reach out to someone you trust and share your feelings with them

11 Look for something positive in a difficult situation

12 Write your worries down and save them for a specific 'worry time'

13 Challenge negative thoughts. Find an alternative interpretation

14 Get outside and move to help clear your head

15 Set yourself an achievable goal and take the first step

16 Find fun ways to distract yourself from unhelpful thoughts

17 Use one of your strengths to overcome a challenge today

18 Let go of the small stuff and focus on the things that matter

19 If you can't change it, change the way you think about it

20 When things go wrong, pause and be kind to yourself

21 Identify what helped you get through a tough time in your life

22 Find 3 things you feel hopeful about and write them down

23 Remember that all feelings and situations pass in time

24 Choose to see something good about what has gone wrong

25 Notice when you are feeling judgmental and be kind instead

26 Catch yourself over-reacting and take a deep breath

27 Write down 3 things you're grateful for (even if today was hard)

28 Think about what you can learn from a recent problem

29 Be a realistic optimist. Focus on what could go right

30 Reach out to a friend, family member or colleague for support

31 Remember we all struggle at times - it's part of being human



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# Stay safe this summer





# Staying safe on holiday

Don't be caught off guard: Many incidents happen on the first or last day of a family holiday when parents are distracted

Remember to use the same caution on your holiday that you do at home

Be alert to any water nearby



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## Open windows warning

Keep low furniture away from open windows so that children can't climb up and fall out

Install window catches (to limit how far they can open) and locks if you can

If you opt for a lock keep the keys somewhere you can find them in case of emergencies



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# BBQ safety

A BBQ and the ground underneath it can stay hot enough to cause a serious burn for a long time after it's been used.

So, stay alert and keep children well away from the cooking area until it's completely cooled.



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## Paddling pool safety

- 👉 Little ones can drown in just a few cm of water
- 👉 Actively supervise children when they're in or around the water
- 👉 Empty the paddling pool after use
- 👉 Store or turn over the paddling pool when it's not in use to stop it refilling



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## Drowning is silent

- 👉 A drowning child doesn't splash about or cry for help. They slip quietly under the water, often unnoticed.
- 👉 Keep little children in arm's reach whenever they are in or near water.
- 👉 Check for ponds, pools and hot tubs if you're visiting new places.
- 👉 Talk to older children about the dangers of open water like strong currents, very cold water that can cause shock and objects lurking under the surface.

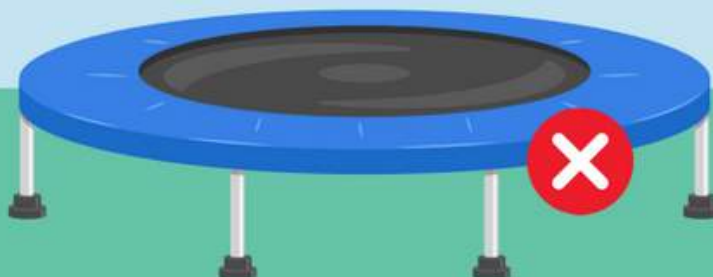


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## Trampoline safety

- 👉 Most trampoline accidents happen when there are two or more bouncers at the same time.
- 👉 The biggest risk is when users have different weights. So, let children take it in turns and avoid adults and children jumping together.
- 👉 Teach children the trampoline rules.



Use a net to prevent falls



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## **PUPIL HOLIDAY DATES – 2024 / 2025**

### **Autumn Term 2024**

|           |        |  |
|-----------|--------|--|
| Re-open   |        | Wednesday 4 September 2024                         |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 21 October<br>Friday 25 October (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Monday 28 October                                  |

**Christmas** - Closure after school on Friday 20 December 2024

### **Spring Term 2025**

|           |        |   |
|-----------|--------|---|
| Re-open   |        | Monday 6 January 2025                                   |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 17 February to<br>Monday 24 February (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Tuesday 26 February                                     |

**Easter** - Closure after school on Friday 4 April 2025

### **Summer Term 2025**

|           |        |   |
|-----------|--------|---|
| Re-open   |        | Tuesday 22 April 2025                         |
| May Day   | 1 day  | Monday 5 May                                  |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 26 May to<br>Friday 30 May (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Monday 2 June                                 |

**Summer** - Closure after school on Friday 18 July 2025



## **Pupil Holiday Dates – 2025/2026**

### **Autumn Term 2025**

|           |        |  |
|-----------|--------|--|
| Re-open   |        | Wednesday 3 September 2025                         |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 27 October<br>Friday 31 October (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Monday 3 November                                  |

**Christmas** - Closure after school on Friday 19 December 2025

### **Spring Term 2026**

|           |        |   |
|-----------|--------|---|
| Re-open   |        | Monday 5th January 2026                                 |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 16 February to<br>Friday 20 February (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Tuesday 24 February                                     |

**Easter** - Closure after school on Friday 27 March 2026

### **Summer Term 2026**

|           |        |   |
|-----------|--------|---|
| Re-open   |        | Monday 13 April 2026                          |
| May Day   | 1 day  | Monday 4 May                                  |
| Half Term | 5 days | Monday 25 May to<br>Friday 29 May (inclusive) |
| Re-open   |        | Tuesday 2 June                                |

**Summer** - Closure after school on Friday 17 July 2026