



Holway Park Community Primary School

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Stargaze, Spirit, and Strive to Sparkle!

16th January 2026

Key Dates

JANUARY 26

21 - We the Curious (Yr 4/5 Trip)
26/27 - Bikeability Group 1

FEBRUARY 26

11 - FOH Disco (information to follow)
16-20 - HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED
23 - RETURN TO SCHOOL
23/24 - Bikeability Group 2

MARCH 26

4 - Bedtime Stories
5 - World Book Day
11-13 - Nettlecombe (Yr 3 Trip)
11-16 - Book Fayre (after School)
18-20 - London (Yr5 Trip)

Friends Of Holway Events



Wednesday

11th February 2026

Valentines Disco

Update Contact Details

Pupil Data Collection Sheet



<https://forms.office.com/e/ckn2bHvw9m>

A message from Mrs Brewer, the Head Teacher.

We are ending our second week after returning to school following the Christmas break, classes are back into the full swing of learning. We revisited our 4Ss culture and vision during the first week.

We will be hosting visiting authors and story drama sessions again this term, further details will come out closer to the events.

Action Staytions after school club is offering some exciting activities this term, please refer to the poster later in the newsletter.

Woodlands/Forest School, Read Alongside and Board Games sessions timetable is included further in this newsletter, the children really enjoy sharing books and board games with their families so if you are able to join us please do.

★ Family Checklist ★

📄 Return the signed club slip and make the club payment by Sunday 18th January 2026. Children won't be able to start their club unless both are completed.

🎯 If your child has not yet applied for an afterschool activity club please contact the office and we will advise on current spaces.

🚲 A few spaces are still available for Year 6 Bikeability on Mon/Tues 23rd-24th February. Please ask for a form at the office if your child would like to take part.

📄 If you have any change of details please complete the Data Collection Form to ensure we have the most up-to-date information for your child.

📦 Label all clothing and belongings that come into school so we can return items quickly if they are misplaced.

🚌 **We The Curious Trip – Important Reminder**

If your child is attending the **We The Curious trip to Bristol**, please ensure the following:

- **Any outstanding medical forms are completed, signed, and handed to the school office by Monday, 19th January 2026**
- **Any outstanding payments for the trip should be made promptly.**

Year 6 Bikeability

There are still a few spaces available for the February Bikeability sessions. If your child would like to take part, please submit an interest form as soon as possible. Additional forms can be collected from the school office.

Pupil Absence Reporting

All pupil absences must be reported directly to the school office by phone or email. Please do not use Class Dojo to report absences, as teachers may not see messages in time. Contacting the office ensures that your child's attendance record is updated promptly and that we are aware of their whereabouts for safeguarding purposes.

School Office Telephone Number: 01823 252126

Key Stage 2 Free School Meals

Just a reminder that children in Years 3 to 6 (KS2) are no longer covered by Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM). If you think your child may be eligible for means-tested Free School Meals, please complete the online application. You can find the information and apply here:

<https://www.somerset.gov.uk/children-families-and-education/school-life/free-school-meals/>

If you are not eligible and still want your child to receive meals from Yr 3 please speak to Rita in the Kitchen in the mornings to discuss payment methods.

Lost Property

If your child is missing any belongings, please take a moment to look in the blue lost-property bins in the foyer. All **unnamed** items are placed there.

Anything that is **clearly labelled** with a child's name is usually returned straight to their class. Labelling all clothing and personal items really helps us get things back to the right child quickly and reduces the amount of unclaimed property.

Children's Mobile Phones in School

Children should only bring a mobile phone to school if they are **walking home alone** or have a **specific reason agreed with the school**.

Please remember:

- **Phones must not be taken into the classroom.**
- All phones should be **switched off** and **handed in to the school office before school starts.**
- Phones will be kept securely and can be **collected from the school office after the child leaves.**

This practice helps us keep children safe and avoid distractions during learning. Thank you for your cooperation!

MESSAGE FROM THE BIG BRUSH CLUB:

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing your child to take part in The Supervised Toothbrushing Scheme at school, by signing your child up to take part you are helping to reduce the risk of your child developing dental decay as well as reducing potential problems later on in life.

As part of your child taking part in The Supervised Toothbrushing and receiving the free resources, parents are required to fill out a short survey about their child's current dental routine and dental situation, please click on the link and complete www.bigbrushclub.co.uk/parent-survey.

All information from this survey is fed back to the NHS and will show how we can support the community to better Oral Health in the Southwest.

Free webinar: Learn how to care for your children's teeth

Big Brush Club hosts free online webinars for parents and guardians. These cover the main causes of tooth decay and preventive advice. Find out when our next webinar is at: www.bigbrushclub.co.uk/families



Spring Clubs Reminder

CLUBS WILL START FROM: **MONDAY 19TH JANUARY**

CLUBS WILL END: **FRIDAY 27TH MARCH**

Please note:

- There will be a **one-week break at half term**, starting **Monday 16th February**.
- Clubs **finish promptly at 4:15 pm**.
- Collection points for each club are listed below (please check carefully to avoid confusion).
- **If your child will not be attending a club, please inform the school office.**
We need to know where children are to keep them safe.
- **If someone other than a parent is collecting your child**, please let the office know in advance.



Thank you for your support in ensuring smooth running of the clubs and collections!

Club Collection Points at 4.15pm		
Monday		
Art Club	Yrs 1 & 2	Eden Classroom
Boardgames Club	Yrs 1 & 2	Avon Classroom
Construction Club	Yrs 1 & 2	Tweed Classroom
Colouring Club	Yrs 1 & 2	Medway Classroom
Colouring Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Dart Classroom
Dance Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Dove Classroom
Eco/Gardening/ Forest School	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Mersey Classroom
Football Club	Yrs 1 & 2	KS2 Playground
Lego Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Medway Classroom
Story Writing	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Derwent Classroom
Tuesday		
SATS Booster Club	Yr 6	Thames Classroom
TT Rockstars	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Derwent Classroom
Wednesday		
Chess Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	Main Entrance
Football Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	KS2 Playground
Lego Club	Yrs 1 & 2	Dove Classroom
Multi Skills Club	Yrs 3,4,5 & 6	KS2 Playground
Thursday		
Drama Club	Yr 5 & 6	Main Entrance

Action Staytions

We have some exciting events coming up in Action Staytions Wrap Around Care Provisions.
Please contact the school office or Action Staytions staff to book your place.

ACTION STAYTIONS

Spring Term Events

W.C. 19th JANUARY 2026

Messy Monday	Hands on art/crafts and sensory activities
Techie Tuesday	Get all "techie"
Whacky Wednesday	Variety of fun games to suit all ages
Thinking Thursday	Trivia, puzzles and problem-solving fun
Fun Friday	Choice of fun activities and games Includes parachute games, table tennis and more.

W.C. 26th JANUARY 2026

Move It Monday	Dance and yoga
Try It Tuesday	Construction/lego challenges
Wild Wednesday	Outdoor/nature activities
Thoughtful Thursday	Jewellery, keyrings and loom bands
Food Friday	Cooking

Home Reading will also be carried out during each session

Pricing and Hours

3:15pm to 4:45pm - £6

3:15pm to 5:45pm - £9

Contact Information

Bookings: 01823 252126

More information: 07547113622

Miss Conway / Mrs Salisbury

A wrap around care provision at Holway Park School.

Run by two experienced members of staff providing a range of exciting activities for children supporting whatever their interests may be. Price Includes activities, resources and refreshments, was well as access to special events.



CLASS ACTIVITIES

SWIMMING

Tamar (Thursday)	27.11.25 – 12.02.26
Avon and Dart (Tuesday)	06.01.26 – 31.03.26
Severn (Thursday)	26.02.26 – 02.05.26

CLASS	PE DAYS <i>Children to come in to school dressed in their PE Kits</i>	READ ALONGSIDE <i>Start: 2:45pm End: 3.10pm Arrive 5 mins early to check in</i>	BOARDGAMES <i>Start: 2:45pm End: 3.10pm Arrive 5 mins early to check in</i>	WOODLANDS <i>Children to come to school dressed in clothing /footwear which can get muddy and coats to keep warm.</i>
EDEN	Friday- Indoor PE	18.03.2026	N/A	N/A
DOVE	Friday- Indoor PE	11.02.2026	12.03.2026	N/A-
TWEED	Monday - Outdoor PE Wed - Indoor PE	04.02.2026	12.02.2026	03.03.2026
MEDWAY	Thursday - Indoor PE Tuesday - Outdoor PE	28.01.2026	05.03.2026	24.03.2026
TAMAR	Tuesday – Outdoor PE Thursday - Swimming	21.01.2026	12.02.2026	10.03.2026
SEVERN	Monday - Outdoor PE Wed - Indoor PE	25.03.2026	26.02.2026	<i>Taken Place</i>
AVON	Tuesday - Swimming Friday - Outdoor PE	25.02.2026	26.03.2026	29.01.2026
DART	Tuesday - Swimming Friday - Outdoor PE	11.03.2026	15.01.2026	12.02.2026
DERWENT	Tuesday - Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE	<i>Taken Place</i>	22.01.2026	26.02.2026
MERSEY	Monday - Indoor PE Wed - Outdoor PE	04.03.2026	29.01.2026	22.01.2026
THAMES	Monday - Indoor PE Wed - Outdoor PE	01.04.2026	05.02.2026	26.03.2026

Netball Youth Camp

Westfield Academy – Yeovil



Calling all young netball enthusiasts!

Date: Monday 16th February 26

Location: Westfield Academy,

Time: 10am-3pm

Age Groups:
8-11 & 12-14

Sharpen your skills,
boost your confidence &
make new friends!

Fun & Games:

Enjoy friendly competitions, mini-tournaments, and team-building activities.

Make Friends:

Connect with fellow netball enthusiasts who share your passion!

Early Bird Discounts!

Book by Wednesday 31st December to secure your spot

£20 per participant

Only **£10** per sibling booking!

After 31st December: £25 per participant, £15 per sibling booking

Register now:
forms.office.com

KIDS KILOMETRE FUN RUN 2026

Sponsored by:
QUEEN'S COLLEGE



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Details:

Start/Finish:
Taunton Town Centre,
Somerset

Time: 10:15

Distance: 1 KM



Entry Includes:

Cool Medal
Mascots to Run Alongside
Finisher's Drink

R/NEVENTS
Event licensing powered by England Athletics

1ST MARCH 2026

Set in Taunton, Somerset's Beautiful County Town.
Entry: £7.50 per runner + booking fee
Enter Online at: www.activesouthwest.co.uk
Be part of Taunton Half Marathon's 40th Edition

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TECH CAMP

Coding & Robots | **Circuitry & Inventions** | **LEGO Engineering** | **Minecraft Madness** | **Tech Fun**

Movie Making | Video Game Design | Robot Coding | STEM Experiments | Engineering

Different activity theme each day, please check our website for your camp activities.

16TH - 20TH FEBRUARY - LIMITED SPACES

What Parents Say

"Absolutely Fantastic!
First time attending &
my son loved it!"

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HOW TO BOOK

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS

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**Bushcraft
Mud Kitchens
Nature Crafts
Firelighting
Campfires
And so much more!**

**TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY**
9.00 - 15.30
8.30 - 15.30
8.30 - 17.30
**FROM £28.60
PER DAY**



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Making Friends!

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