



Holway Park Community Primary School

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Stargaze, Spirit, and Strive to Sparkle!

24th April 2026

Key Dates

MAY 26

4 - BANK HOLIDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
11-15 - SATS week
15 - Brewhouse Visit (Year 6)
19 - Yr6 Museum Trip (Mersey Class)
20-22 - Yr2 residential

JUNE 26

3 - Museum Trip (Thames Class)
11 - Vision Screening (Reception)
17 - Class Photos-Yr6 leavers and class

**FULL ATTENDANCE AT SCHOOL IS
ESSENTIAL - REGULAR ABSENCE IS
REGARDED AS A CHILD
SAFEGUARDING ISSUE**

Safeguarding

Safeguarding our community is everyone's responsibility. If you see or hear something on school site that worries you, please speak to the school safeguarding team.

Update Contact Details

Pupil Data Collection Sheet



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

A message from Mrs Brewer, the Head Teacher.

Welcome back, I hope you all had a relaxing break. It has been really good to see some of the posters and leaflets the children have made this week in school with our focus on reflecting on our 4Ss and the importance of the British Values and some very interesting responses and thinking around how AI can be very helpful but sometimes we need to be careful about fake information. We will upload some of these posters soon onto the school website to share.

📅 Don't Forget! Key School Reminders & Updates 📅

🎒 After School Clubs

See available clubs on page 2

🚲 Year 6 Bikeability – New Date!

13th & 14th July 2026 – New Bikeability sessions for Year 6!

We still only have *1 space left!*

Please contact the school office ASAP to add your child's name.

🎒 Upcoming Trips & Events

Huish Woods – Year 2 Residential 20–22 May 2026

Kit list and medical consent forms have been sent home, please return your child's medical consent form by Friday 1st May 2026 and note final payments are due by Friday 15th May 2026.

👁️ Vision Screening – Reception Children

Thursday 11th June 2026

Please complete the OPT OUT form if you do not give consent for your child to take part. If we do not receive an opt-out slip by 8th June 2026, we will take this as your consent for your child's vision to be tested.

📱 Children's Mobile Phones

Phones should only be brought to school if a child walks home alone or with prior agreement.

Phones must be **switched off**, handed in to the **school office**, and collected after school.

This helps keep children safe and reduces distractions, in line with Government guidance.

👕 School Uniform

Please review the school uniform policy:

<https://www.holwaypark.somerset.sch.uk/school-uniform-2>

Teachers will send notes home if uniform is incorrect.

If you need help obtaining uniform, please speak to the office.

Lost property will be placed outside the office—please check for missing items.

Remember to **label all belongings**.

Holway Park Community Primary School Clubs Summer Term 2026

Thank you for submitting your Summer club request and you should now have received your confirmation slips. We still have some openings in the following clubs, if you would like to take an additional club to your current allocation please contact the school office.

	SPACES AVAILABLE	
Monday	5 Spaces £22.50	Dance Club KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Maximum 14 – Hall 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Wilkinson – Collect from Main reception
	8 Spaces £22.50	Games Club (outdoors) KS1 (Years 1 & 2) Maximum 14 - Medway 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Withers – Collect from KS1 Playground
	4 Spaces £22.50	Dance Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 14 – Dove 3:15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Ward – Collect from Dove Classroom
	6 Spaces £22.50	Hockey Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 14 – Mersey 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Mr Powell – Collect from KS2 Playground
	3 Spaces £22.50	Karaoke Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 12 - Eden 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Mrs Beale – Collect from Eden Classroom
	4 Spaces £22.50	Newspaper/Journalism Club KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 12 – Medway 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Stanton – Collect from Medway Classroom
Tuesday	18 Spaces FREE	Tag Rugby Club (Years 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 30 – Dart Classroom 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Mr Clancey – Collect from KS2 Playground
Wednesday	3 Spaces £27.50	Sewing Club KS2 (Years 3,4,5 & 6) Maximum 12 – Thames 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Mrs Cull – Collect from Main Entrance
Thursday	6 Spaces FREE	Maths Club (All year groups) – Maximum 20 – Dove 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Welch – Collect from Dove Classroom
	4 Spaces £27.50	Games Club (outdoors) KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) Maximum 16 – Dart 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Pearson – Collect from KS2 Playground
	14 Spaces FREE	Drama Club (Years 4, 5, & 6) – Maximum 35 – Avon 3.15pm – 4.15pm – Miss Ellis – Collect from Main Entrance

CLUB DEADLINES:

SUNDAY, 26th APRIL 2026 - *Once your child's place has been confirmed, payments to be made online using Scopay. Full payment is required by **Sunday 26th April 2026** otherwise your child will not be able to attend the club and their space may be given to a child on a waiting list.*

FRIDAY, 17 JULY 2026 – All club's finish.

ATTENDANCE

One day's absence could be as many as seven missed lessons, as well as time spent with friends and doing extracurricular activities. You can support your child's physical, social and mental wellbeing by ensuring they are in school every day.

It can be difficult to know whether your child is too ill to attend school. **NHS guidance is clear that it's fine to send them in with a minor cough or common cold.**

We know that parents and carers worry about their children's mental health. Rather than keeping your child off school, let us know about your concerns. We can then work together on supporting your child.

Attendance is regarded as a Safeguarding issue.

A big thank you to most parents who make sure their children attend school regularly. Your efforts, working in partnership with the school, will ensure that your child will have the best chance to achieve their potential and have real opportunity in further education and the world of work. It will also enable your child to:

- ✓ access the lessons needed to achieve their expected progress and standards
- ✓ maintain friendships and develop new ones
- ✓ have access to social and sporting events offered by the school
- ✓ develop work habits such as good punctuality which are essential to thrive in the world of employment

Parents will regularly receive Attendance Alerts if their child's absence is close to the government criteria for persistent absence.

Parental Responsibility for Attendance

Parents are legally responsible for ensuring their child's regular attendance at school. The department for Education and Somerset Council automatically monitor pupil attendance daily through the school registers.

The Department for Education informs the Headteacher every two weeks the monitored absence details of pupils. The school will make contact if your child is identified in this monitoring. If you are worried about your child/children's attendance the first person to contact is to discuss your concerns with the school PFSA Angie Bristow.

Parking Around School – A Polite Reminder

We kindly ask all parents and carers to continue parking **considerately** during school drop-off and pick-up times.

Parking outside school

Parking illegally or disrespectfully - Residents have complained about the illegal, inconsiderate and sometimes dangerous parking of parents/Carers before and after school.

We would like to make parents aware of the Highway Code 243 which includes the following: (from www.police.uk)

Pick-up and drop-off times are busy outside schools. This can cause an increased safety risk to both children and parents.

Parking restrictions outside schools are there to keep you and your children safe. Parking inconsiderately can put people in danger and you also risk being fined. It's important that motorists follow the [Highway Code](#).

Parking restrictions outside schools

Understanding yellow zigzag markings. Most school entrances and exits in the UK have yellow zigzag road markings with the writing 'School Keep Clear'. They indicate the part of the road where motorists should not wait, stop, or park a vehicle. Both yellow and white zigzags also show areas that must be kept clear so that children and other road users can see clearly when crossing the road.

Parking on yellow zigzags

Yellow zigzags without accompanying signs advise motorists not to wait or park there at any time for the safety of children and others. We can issue tickets for parking on them, based on causing an obstruction to other motorists or pedestrians. **DO NOT** stop or park:

- near a school entrance
- opposite or within 10 meters (32 feet) of a junction, except in an authorised parking space
- where the kerb has been lowered to help wheelchair users and powered mobility vehicles
- in front of an entrance to a property
- on a bend

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

Summer Term Events

W.C. 20.04.26 / 04.05.26 / 18.05.26

Make It Monday	Construction Lego
Tasty Tuesday	Cooking
Whacky Wednesday	Variety of Fun Games to Suit all Ages
Thoughtful Thursday	Dance and Yoga
Film Friday	Film and Popcorn

W.C. 27.04.26 / 11.05.26

Music Monday	Music and Instruments
Try It Tuesday	Arts and Crafts
Wild Wednesday	Outdoor/Nature Activities
Threading Thursday	Jewellery, Keyrings and Loom Bands
Freaky Friday	Circus Activity Fun

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: School office 01823 252126

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, as well as access to special events.



CLASS ACTIVITIES

SWIMMING

Derwent (Tuesday) 21.04.26 – 21.07.26

Severn (Thursday) 26.02.26 - 02.05.26

CLASS	PE DAYS <i>Children to come into 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- Outdoor PE	TBC	TBC	TBC
DOVE	Friday- Outdoor PE	TBC	07/05/26	TBC
TWEED	Monday - Outdoor PE Wed - Indoor PE	TBC	14/05/26	30/4/26 & 02/06/26
MEDWAY	Thursday - Indoor PE Tuesday - Outdoor PE	TBC	30/04/26	09/06/26 & 09/07/26
TAMAR	Tuesday – Outdoor PE Thursday - Indoor	TBC	TBC	07/05/26 & 30/06/26
SEVERN	Monday – Outdoor PE Wednesday – Indoor PE	13/05/26	TBC	05/05/26 & 23/06/26
AVON	Tuesday – Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE	06/05/26	TBC	14/05/26 & 07/07/26
DART	Tuesday – Indoor PE Friday - Outdoor PE	09/04/26	TBC	12/5/26 & 02/07/26
DERWENT	Tuesday - Swimming Friday - Outdoor PE	20/05/26	TBC	28/04/26 & 16/06/26
MERSEY	Monday - Indoor PE Wed - Outdoor PE	TBC	21/05/26	18/06/26
THAMES	Monday - Indoor PE Wed - Outdoor PE	TBC	TBC	04/06/26