



Holland House School

Dear Parents

It is with pleasure that I write to you today at the start of the term to welcome you back to Holland House and to extend my warmest greetings to those new families who have joined our little community. It has been wonderful to see the children back at school and, with a number of Covid restrictions finally lifted, life has been a little easier for us all!

I am particularly proud of our youngest pupils, those in Reception, for completing their first week of Big School and settling down so quickly and so well. Well done also to our fabulous Y6 pupils who are already in full swing of the state 11+ examinations – they have come back to school rested and ready to work with a positive mindset which is highly commendable.

Wishing you all a great weekend

Mrs Brown.

Nearly New Uniform Sale: Monday 13th September at 15.30

We have a multitude of tap shoes and other items of uniform in good condition, so please come and have a peek! The sale will be held at the back of the playground – please collect your children first and then walk down to the Green to have a look at the stall. Every item is priced at £1 or whatever you can give. All funds raised will be donated to charity.

Parking

Could I remind parents to be very careful of where you park – we share the street with our neighbours who need to be able to get in and out of their driveways without cars blocking them and no-one should be attempting a 3-point turn in such a busy street; please drive around the block.

Certificates Awarded this week

Diya Halai Y4

Neo Desai Y4

Kai Jiwan Y1

Fayotomi Balogan Y1

Madison Paoli Y6

Rhidai Akhil Shah Y6

Dylan Mehta Y6

Habeeb Tharoo Y6

Esha Bharadia Y1

Una McDonald Y5

Aarya Shah Y2

Tonghe Li Y2

Ria Somaiya Y2

Reception Class

Dates for the diary

Jeans for Genes Day

Wednesday 15th Sept

Pupils and staff are invited to donate £1 to this worthy cause and come to school wearing Jeans that day. Please note that school shirts and blazers still apply; it is not a Mufti day.

Clubs

Afterschool clubs will be starting on Monday. Please remember that if your child is in a second slot club, they either need to be picked up at 15.30 and dropped off again at 16.30 or enrolled into Prep Club/ another 1st session club.

A few clubs still have open slots so do take a peek via the parent portal if there is one that your child would like to do.

Competition winners

A few ISA competition winners were announced over the summer holidays and I wanted to share these fantastic results with you here. Our warmest congratulations to them all and to those who took part.

ISA Handwriting Competition

- Jai Dhebar – 2nd Place

ISA National Sports Cover Design Competition

- Huan-Li Lee Netball Category 1st place

ISA National Film and Digital Art Competition

- Esha Bharadia EYFS - "Dancing Girl" Digital Art 3rd place
- Anika Shah KS2 - "London" Digital Art 2nd place
- Rachel Silva KS2 - "The Virus" Film 2nd place
- Una McDonald KS2 - "TalkTODAY" Film 3rd place

Special congratulations and thanks to the Film Competition winners who receive for the school a "One Day Film School" online course for 25 pupils... more information on that to follow!

HHS will be running a number of competitions again this year so watch this space!

VotesForSchools

As you may have heard yesterday at Curriculum Evening, this year HHS is trialling **Votes For Schools**. This is a current affairs based program where the children learn about various issues that surface in the news and other important areas of debate. Each child will also be given the opportunity to cast an anonymous vote on how they feel about these topics. The votes are then collected and passed on to the various bodies that would benefit from the knowledge, so for example, the children will learn about the COP26 conference and their collective votes will be sent to the government to ensure that their voice is heard.

We will be sending parents information each week about the votes topics and we hope that you will use this opportunity to discuss the issues with your children. Pupils in the pre-prep will sometimes cover a votes topic and sometimes not, depending on the subjects discussed.