



Holland House School

Dear Parents,

It is my pleasure to welcome you all back to school for the Summer Term! As always, this is a very busy term with something going on almost every week so do keep your eyes on the “dates for the diary” section of the bulletins. I would also like to take this opportunity to introduce you to two new members of staff who have joined us:

- **Miss Shannika Wallace.**
Our fabulous new Y3 teacher will also be leading Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Development. (SMSC)
- **Mr Hiren Shah**
Our great new Bursar who has replaced Mr Rowbotham. Please note that the bursar’s email remains unchanged, bursar@hollandhouse.org.uk

We also have 3 new families who have joined us this term, to whom I extend my warmest welcome and hope that you will quickly feel a part of our little community.

Sadly, Claire Timberlake, our School Chef, is leaving us for pastures new this term where we wish her every success in her exciting new role. Ms Timberlake’s departure has made us pause a moment to reconsider our food provision at HHS. We have decided to invite the catering company *Apetito* to our school next week, in order for pupils, parents and staff to sample their food and see if this could be a solution for us going forward. All children in school next Tuesday will have the opportunity to try a sample. Any parents wishing to drop-in, try the food, ask questions and chat with the *Apetito* Reps etc are invited to do so from 3pm. We do understand if you can’t make this session and sample pots will be available in the hall at 3.30pm too.

In other school news, Monday will be our very first Whole School Science day, with an exciting project entitled “Re-green the Desert”. Please keep an eye on your inbox in case Form Teachers have emailed you with requests for certain items. Watch this space for photos and feedback next week!

Assemblies

This week our assemblies focused on welcoming back the children, new staff and pupils. This Friday, we had a whole school assembly on Ramadan, it’s importance in the Islamic calendar and its similarities to other religions which also value the act of fasting.

Votes for Schools

This week’s topic is: *Are our habits a big problem for the environment?* As always, there’s a great discussion to be had- do please keep the topic alive at home by asking your child their view and what the arguments are on BOTH sides of the debate! This is a really good way of getting your child to open up about their school day, particularly for those reluctant to share!

Tooled-Up Education



Apps to Help Children
Engage with Nature

A message from Dr Kathy Weston:

If your children need encouragement to get into the great outdoors this week, why not try out one of the various [nature apps](#) that are available commercially that can inspire children to spot and identify plants and trees around them?

Dates For the diary

25th April: Whole School Science Day

26th April: Apetito Tasting afternoon, from 3pm

9th – 13th May: Y6 Manor Adventure

19th May: Heritage Day

24th May: School Photo Day

25th – 27th May: Y4 Bushcraft

Certificates Awarded

Kiyanna Mehta R

Karan Gathrani R

Daniel Zhang R

Josh Patel Y2

Ayushi Gill Y3

Maya Dodhia Rasul Y3

Sienna Bhanderi Y3

Iwinosa Osarumwense Y5

Easter Egg Competition

Aarya Shah Y2

Aanya Sachdev Y5

Hassan Darouiche R

Isabella Chung Y1

Aary Somaiya R

Ria Somaiya Y2

Vian Rao Y2

Vaanya Chadha Y5

Reception Class

Year 1