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WEEKLY BULLETIN

The official news bulletin of Holyrood Academy



DEAR PARENT/CARER,

I write to you after a fantastic weekend away in Glasgow with 70 students who were a credit to the school and to their families. I am always proud to take groups of Holyrood students out of school and this time was no different.

This week seems to be all about Year 7! They have some lovely things to look forward to, with the Halloween Disco on Wednesday evening, after the Year 7 Walk from Ilminster during the day. On Thursday and Friday, we have groups of Year 7s on the Wookey Hole Trip, too. Meet the Tutor Evening is on Thursday evening and this gives you the chance to come and discuss your child's start at Holyrood with their For tutor. Please do book in and come along - we would love to see you! It seems like yesterday that Year 7 were starting their first day with us and now they really feel like part of the team here at Holyrood. HOLYROOD

FEATURED THIS WEEK:

- Bingo Night
- Year End Charity Auction
- Sports & Holyrood Clubs
- Open Mornings
- Up and Coming Events
- Elvis is Coming to Chard
- Volunteers Needed

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Please remember that 3:10 on Friday signals the start of half term, so no school next week, but we return immediately on Monday 31st October - there is no INSET day at the start of the half term.

I hope you all have a restful break and have the chance to spend some quality time together.

Best Wishes

MR. DAVE MACCORMICK Head Teacher



GLASGOW TRIP 2022

What a weekend we have just had! We went on a stadium tour of Old Trafford, Manchester, on the way up to Scotland, before staying in a beautiful Youth Hostel on the edge of Kelvingrove Park. On Saturday morning, we went to Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum to check out the exhibits, including a Salvador Dali painting (which unfortunately had gone on holiday to a gallery in Spain!!). On Saturday, courtesy of an amazing charity called The Kano Foundation, we had lunch and then went to the Celtic vs Hibernian match. The score was 6-1 and so there was no shortage of action and excitement for the students to soak up!

After the game, we were invited to walk along the side of the pitch and meet some of the players, much to the excitement of everyone there! I am so proud of how our students conducted themselves with such kindness, showing great manners and behaving so well. We have been invited back by The Kano Foundation, to attend a game next season, so I will be in touch with dates and details as soon as I have them. I would like to thank the amazing staff team of Mrs Coles, Mrs Driscoll, Miss Fernandez Gomez, Mr Haydon, Mr Perry, Mr Easton, Mr Ahmed and Mr Lawrence-Craig for their time and energy which made this trip such a successful one.

Best wishes Mr MacCormick





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2022 Year End





BIDS ARE LIVE UNTIL 31ST OCTOBER 2022 AT 5PM

Here at Holyrood Academy, we are pleased to be running our end of year charity auction in aid of Suicide Prevention Bristol.

To see the full list click <u>HERE</u>

If you have any questions about any of the items, please contact Mr. Andy Easton by email and similarly, to submit a bid, please email me at aeaston@holyrood.uat.ac placing in the subject line 'AUCTION BID'.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

19TH OCTOBER



Are you able to volunteer as a road crosser on the 19th October for our rearranged yr 7 expedition? We need a couple of adults to support from 12 pm until 1.30 pm to help our classes of students cross the road at Donyatt to the village hall. If you feel you would be able to support us with this, please email sdavison1@holyrood.uat.ac directly.

D OF E VOLUNTEERS

We have expanded our D of E offer extensively this year and are looking for volunteers to support with this. As a D of E volunteer you will be looking to give us periods of 2 or 3 days to join our staff and students to complete expeditions and to camp overnight. Holyrood Academy will put you through the 'Disclosure and Barring Service' (DBS) and will also give you training in February in preparation for the D of E expeditions in the Spring and Summer. This volunteering offer is suitable for any active people including grandparents, aunts and uncles and older siblings. If you feel you would be able to support us with this, please email sdavison1@holyrood.uat.ac directly.



PRELOVED UNIFORM SHOP HOLYROOD PTFA IN ASSOCIATION WITH CHARD COMMUNITY HUB

We hope to have this service up and running this week. Preloved uniform will be available at the Chard Community Hub (white shopfront opposite Superdrug). Blazers will be £5 and all other items are £1. Proceeds will be shared equally between the Hub and the PTFA.

In addition to this, if your children have outgrown their uniform and it is in good condition, we would love for you to donate this to the PTFA via our main school reception.



TURNING IN TO TEENS: PARENTING PROGRAMME

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You are invited to take part in a free programme that aims to help you and your adolescent manage the many emotional challenges of this stage of life. *Tuning in to Teens* is a six-week parenting programme. The programme will teach you how to manage your own and your adolescents' emotions in ways that help you to remain close and keep communicating. By learning these skills, you are less likely to have as much conflict within your family and your teen is more likely to talk to you about the challenging issues they face. These are factors that have been found to reduce the risk of mental health and substance abuse problems.

What is Emotional intelligence?

The programme is based on the concept of Emotional Intelligence. Emotional Intelligence (EQ) is about using your emotions to guide you through the world. It is about being able to use your own knowledge of emotions to make decisions, to calm yourself down, to manage anger and conflict, to help you in your relationships with people, to know what is happening in social situations, and to assist you in many aspects of life where you or another person are involved.

Why is Emotional Intelligence important?

Research has shown that teens with greater emotional intelligence:

- · are more aware, assertive and strong in situations of peer pressure
- have greater success with making friends and are more able to manage conflict with peers
- are more able to cope when upset or angry
- have fewer mental health and substance abuse difficulties
- have more stable and satisfying relationships as adults
- have greater career success. Emotional Intelligence may be a better predictor of academic and career success than IQ.

When parents focus on helping their teen learn about emotions, the young person is more likely to have higher emotional intelligence. In this parenting programme we will teach parents what to do to help these skills develop, and in doing so we expect teens to manage adolescence better.

To confirm your participation in this parenting programme, please send an email to Caroline Markham at cmarkham@holyrood.uat.ac by the 21st October 2022.

The course will begin on the Tuesday 1st November 2022 and will run for six, two-hour sessions;

The subsequent dates will be: 8th November, 15th, 22nd, 29th & 6th December.

The time for this will be 5.30pm - 7.30pm and will be at Holyrood Academy - please report to the main reception a few minutes before the start time; refreshments provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Kind Regards Caroline Markham











UP AND COMING EVENTS

Fabulous events coming up soon for Holyrood Academy

More information on all of these events on-line soon:



COVID 19

What to do if you've tested positive for COVID-19

If you have COVID-19, you can pass on the virus to other people for up to 10 days from when your infection starts. Many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days. You should:

- try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days
- avoiding meeting people at higher risk from COVID-19 for 10 days, especially if their immune system means they're at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, even if they've had a COVID-19 vaccine

This starts from the day after you did the test.

If a child or young person aged 18 or under tests positive for COVID-19, they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days. This starts from the day after they did the test. Children and young people tend to be infectious to others for less time than adults. If they're well and do not have a temperature after 3 days, there's a much lower risk that they'll pass on COVID-19 to others.

For all other information, please visit the NHS website here.

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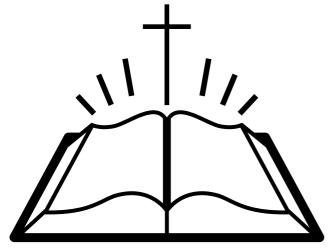
17TH NOVEMBER YEAR 11,12 & 13 STUDENTS AND ADULTS ONLY

This monologue follows the story of a teenage girl growing up on a rural Wiltshire council estate. Destiny dreams big. She dreams glamour. She's gonna be an MTV Base backing dancer, you watch. She's fearless, ferocious and up for the fight (she's had to be). This is the story of a teenage girl growing up on a rural Wiltshire council estate. After a big night out takes a turn for the worst, Destiny's life spirals out of control as she desperately tries to learn how to love and be loved. *Warning themes of sexual abuse and violence*

FREE BIBLES IN THE LRC

to collect anytime if they would like one.

Bibles are available from the LRC for students



HOLYROOD PTFA PRELOVED UNIFORM

Available form the Community Hub Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

Blazers £5 All other items £1 Proceeds to Holyrood and to the Community Hub

Find the Community Hub in the old DOVETAILS shop - opposite Superdrug.



Cambodia Expedition 2023 Invites you:



At Holyrood Academy 21.10.2022 | Starts at 6:30 PM |

Entry £2 - Includes Cash flyer | £10 - 10 Games

GET YOUR BEST LUCK AND WIN CASH PRIZES!!! Drinks • Snacks • Raffle

Tickets Available at Holyrood Academy Online at Cambodiaexp2023@gmail.com and our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/CambodiaExp23

CAMBODIA EXPEDITION BINGO

Tickets are available to buy in the LRC at break or lunch time!



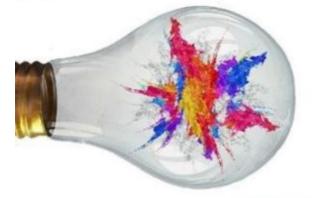




8th Nov 2022 - Westlands, Yeovil 23rd Nov 2022 - J24, Bridgwater

Open 9am - 6pm

Somerset Careers Fair 2022



FREE entry

Come speak to the experts

With over 50 amazing exhibitors including the Armed Forces, Local Employers, Universities, Schools/Colleges, FE Colleges, and Training Providers we have plenty of experts for you to talk to.

For more information visit the Somerset EBP website









South Somerset District Council



Coming soon- Year 7 Expedition Wednesday 19th October



HOMEWORK CLUB Everyone Welcome

3:10PM - 4:20PM

The Learning Centre

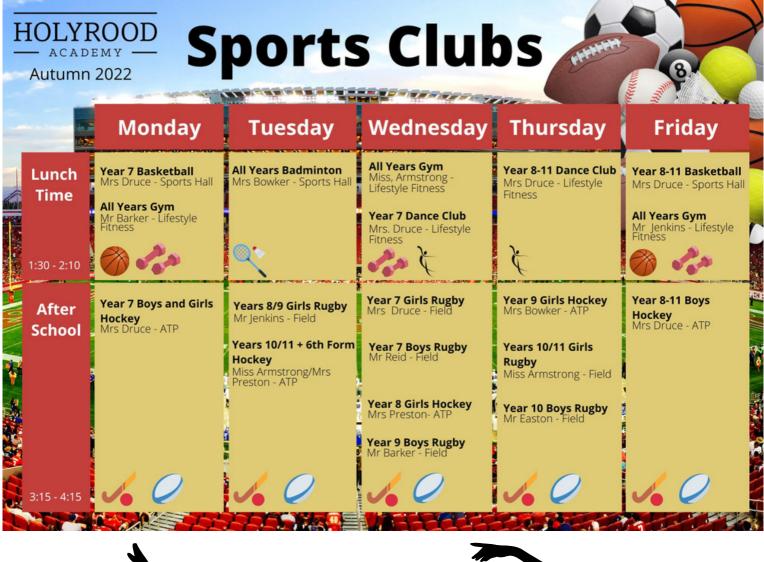
Come along and complete your

HOLYROOD CLUBS 2022

click here!

to view our Autumn Clubs.

AUTUMN SPORTS CLUBS 2022





£22

Phoenix Holidays Watergore Farm, South Petherton Yr 6 - Yr 11 (10-16 Years)

9am-3:30pm - wrapround available

Mon 24th:Spray Painting & the History of Graffitti ArtTues 25th:Outdoor Cooking (main & dessert)Weds 26th:Whittle a Creature (or a stick to start!)Thurs 27th:Wax Candle MakingFri 28th:Interactive Mystery Game

In addition to the main activity there is a range of options from table tennis to board games, football to gardening, crafting to volleyball. Book for the day or the whole week. ramalife.co.uk/holiday | ramalife.co.uk/booking



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Reception - Yr 6 (4/5-11yrs)

Explore Half-Term Frogmary Green Farm, South Petherton

Mon 24th: Myths & Legends

Bigfoot, Unicorns, Sculpture & Tales. What mysteries will we uncover on our outdoors scavenger hunt?

Tues 25th: Creepy Cooking

Pizza & Sweet Treat Making. Join us around the campfire for some storytelling (nothing scary we promise!).

Weds 26th: Autumn Adventures

Take part in our interactive adventure story! Complete the challenges, solve the puzzles and toast some marshmallows.

Thurs 27th: Mad Science with Profesor Bivi

Slime, Bubble Experiments & Pumpkin Volcanoes. Hands on fun and exploration, as we become a laboratory for the day.

Fri 28th: Autumnal Party

Cupcake Decorating, Mask Making & Afternoon Party Come and celebrate all things Autumn! Fancy dress optional (nothing scary please!)

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8:45/9am - 3:30pm From £27 (Bam-5pm wraparound available)





FOR BOOKINGS