

BACK-TO-SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Hollymount School

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It's time for the new school year!

Welcome to our special back-to-school newsletter! Included should be all the necessary information.

We hope you have had a lovely summer break and are looking forward to meeting you again on **Wednesday.**

My child is anxious, what should I do?

It is totally normal for a child to feel anxious about returning to school (and also normal if they don't!) Talk to you child, listen to their concerns; reassure them and talk about school positively. Keep 'goodbyes' brief, smile and say 'see you later.' Most children are soon happy in class.

What to do on Wednesday

All children from Year 1 - Year 6 should come to the usual door (see map on page 4) from 8.35am onwards. Staff will be there to support all children in finding their new classroom. Children in Nursery and Reception should go around the back of the buiding as usual.

What do children need?

Children should come to school in their school uniform. Please send a coat too - the weather looks to be unsettled. They will not need their PE kit on day 1.

Absence and Attendance

We all know how important good school attendance is. These first few days at school are particularly so. It is a time when children get to know new teachers, reestablish friendships, make new ones and just get back into the routine of the school day and week. Should your child not be attending school for any reason, please call 01905 **23159** as soon as possible each day.

Visit www.youngminds.org.uk for more advice about helping your family.



Preparing for school or nursery



Help your child to put out uniform and bags the night before.

If your child has a packed lunch, ask them to prepare it (with your help.)



Re-establish routines- it is natural these go during the holidays. School age children should be having between 9 - 12 hours sleep a night.

The best pattern is - bath (shower), book, bed.

No screen time for at least an hour before bed.

Take all electronics out of the bedroom.



Staff list 2025-26

Here's a list of all class teachers and office staff. Support staff have not been included due to space - there is almost 80 of us in total!

Office Staff:

Mrs Parry - office manager (including Nursery information)

Mrs Motion - office administrator

Miss Chayan - finance and administration

Class teachers

Nursery - Mrs Ahmed-Khan

RHS - Miss Snape

RND - Miss Davies

1AS - Mrs Silkstone

1HS - Mrs Hussain/ Miss Spencer

2JT - Mr Tidy

2KL - Mrs Kelly/ Mrs Lloyd

3AS - Miss Squire

3JA - Miss Adams

4HM - Mrs Train/ Mrs McKechnie

4DH - Miss Hoare/ Mrs Dukes

5EP - Miss Payne

5SR - Mrs Ricketts

6HH - Mr Hill/ Miss Hoare

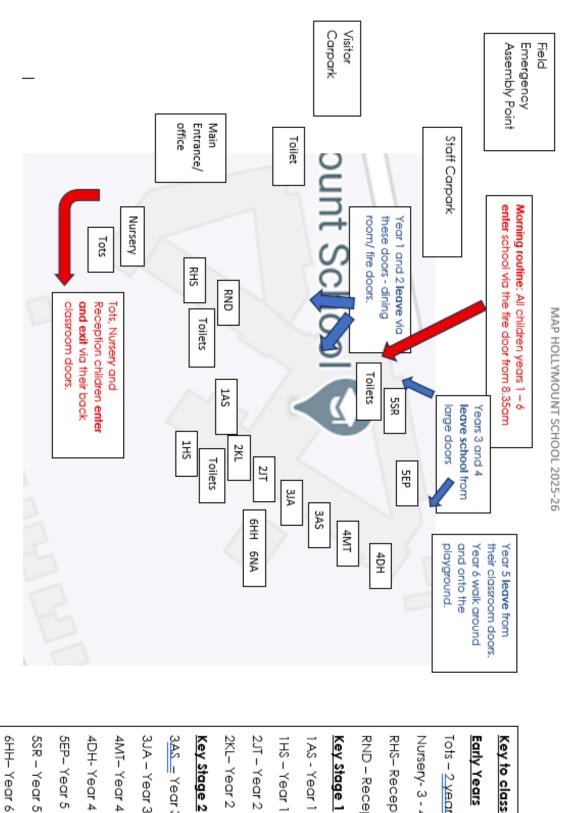
6NA - Miss Ahmed

Mrs Montgomery - Early Years Lead and Inclusion Manager Mr Harris - Deputy Headteacher Mrs Donnelly - Headteacher

You may notice we have changed the class numbering system. All classes now have the number of their year group e.g. 1 = Year 1 and staff initials (R = Reception)

A full list of staffing, roles and responsibilities is available on the school website (to be updated shortly.)

All families should enter and exit school via the two pedestrian gates. Please park responsibly or, if you can, walk



Key to classes

Early Years

Tots – <u>2 year olds</u>

Nursery- 3 - 4year olds

RHS—Reception

RND - Reception

Key Stage 1

1 AS - Year 1

2JT - Year 2

2KL-Year 2

Key Stage 2

3<u>AS -</u> Year 3

3JA – Year 3

4MT- Year 4

5EP- Year 5

5SR - Year 5

6NA - Year 6