

# Holyhead Newsletter

## July 2023



### End to another great year!

As we bring the academic year to a close, I wanted to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to all our families and pupils for their unwavering support throughout my first year at Holyhead School. It has been an absolute pleasure to work alongside you, and I am excited for the many more successful years to come.

I must commend your children for their remarkable engagement and enthusiasm towards their learning. It has been an absolute delight to witness their progress and development throughout the year.

I am delighted to reflect upon several remarkable moments that have truly made this year memorable. The Kingswood residential trip, for instance, provided our pupils with invaluable experiences and adventures, fostering teamwork and resilience. Additionally, our victory in the gymnastics competition was nothing short of extraordinary, highlighting both talent and dedication.

Other notable events that brought immense joy to our school community include the "Bring Someone You Love to Lunch" initiative and the heart-warming celebrations we organized for Father's Day. Such events fostered a strong sense of belonging and showcased the bonds shared within our school family. Furthermore, I would like to highlight the outstanding individual achievements of our pupils in the end-of-year assessments. It is truly remarkable to witness their growth.

As we bid farewell to this academic year, I am thrilled to see the smiles on the faces of our pupils and staff as we finish this last week, and we are excited to return in September and embark on new educational adventures. I have no doubt that the coming year will be equally rewarding and filled with invaluable opportunities for growth and learning.



### GOOD BYE TO YEAR 6



Congratulations to our Year 6 for successfully completing this important stage of their educational journey. On behalf of all the staff here at Holyhead, I would like to express our pleasure in witnessing the growth and development of each and every student. It has been a joy to watch them flourish in so many ways. As they embark on their journey into Secondary school and beyond, we would like to wish them the very best of luck. We encourage them to continue working diligently, embracing every opportunity to learn and grow. We also urge them to be kind to others, for kindness goes a long way in building strong and supportive relationships. Lastly, we hope they always keep a smile on their faces, as it is a reflection of their positive attitude and resilience.

You all will be greatly missed at Holyhead. We have full confidence that they will thrive and make a positive impact wherever their future takes them.

# 100% ATTENDANCE ALL YEAR

I wanted to share that astounding achievements of some of our pupils in the past academic year. I am delighted to announce that we had a group of students who achieved 100% attendance throughout the year.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to these students for their exceptional commitment to their education. Maintaining perfect attendance is no small feat, and it is a testament to their dedication to learning. Well done!

In recognition of their outstanding accomplishment, we organized a pool party as a reward for these students. I had the pleasure of witnessing the joy and excitement on their faces as they had a great time alongside our dojo winners. They truly deserved this celebration, and it was heart-warming to see them enjoying themselves so much.

Going forward, we aim to motivate and encourage even more students to achieve 100% attendance in the upcoming academic year. Regular attendance is vital for a successful educational journey, as it ensures uninterrupted learning and active participation in classroom activities. Therefore, I kindly request your support in emphasizing the importance of attendance to your children.



## Staying safe online over the summer

As we navigate through these challenging times, I felt it was crucial to address the topic of online safety, particularly for our precious young ones.

In today's digital age, the internet has become an invaluable resource for information, communication, and entertainment. However, it is important to recognize that it also comes with its own set of challenges and risks that can affect our children. Therefore, it is essential that we work together to ensure their safety while they explore the vast online world.

To promote safe and responsible internet usage, I would like to offer some guidelines and recommendations for you to discuss with your children:

**Open, Honest Conversations:** Initiate regular discussions with your children about their online experiences. Encourage them to share any concerns, doubts, or incidents they may have encountered while using the internet.

**Teach Internet Etiquette:** Emphasize the importance of treating others with respect and kindness, both online and offline. Remind your children about the impact their words and actions can have on others.

**Cyberbullying Awareness:** Make sure your children understand what cyberbullying is and the harm it can cause. Encourage them to report any instances of cyberbullying to you or a trusted adult. Teach them how to respond appropriately and not to retaliate.

**Regular Monitoring:** Regularly review your child's online activities together. Explore the websites they visit, the apps they use, and who they interact with. Maintain an open dialogue so you can guide and support them on their online journey.

School starts back on the 5th September for an overview of 2023 - 2024 term dates follow the link below.

<https://www.holyheadprimary.academy/families-and-carers/term-dates/>

