

## Holyhead Primary Academy Newsletter

*April/May 2025*



It's hard to believe we are now in the summer term. As usual, we have got off to a busy start with a variety of learning activities and events that are sure to engage and inspire our pupils. We have had several sporting events that have brought out the competitive spirit in our students. It's wonderful to see them participating with such enthusiasm and teamwork. We are thrilled to introduce new after school clubs this term, including boxing and glow sports. These clubs offer our students the opportunity to try something new and develop new skills in a fun and supportive environment.

We have Welcomed Our New Holyhead Chicks - One of the highlights of this term so far has been welcoming our new Holyhead chicks. The students have enjoyed learning about and caring for these adorable new additions to our school community.

Exciting New Topics — Each year group has started exploring exciting new topics that will broaden their knowledge and spark their curiosity. We are committed to providing a rich and varied curriculum that meets the needs and interests of all our students. Ask your children about their new E3L topic and their new class text for this half term.

Year 6 SATs Preparation - Year 6 students have started this half term working hard in preparation for their KS2 SAT tests. They are showing resilience and resourcefulness as they prepare for the next few weeks. To support them, we will be providing breakfast next week to ensure they have enough energy for the day ahead. They are welcome in school from 8am for breakfast and preparations, both academically and for their well-being. Please ensure they are well-rested so they can showcase their learning in the best

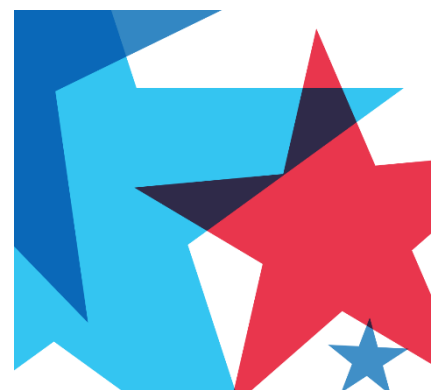
way with a smile. We will end the week with Year 6 having a visit from the ice-cream man and a forest school session as a reward for all their hard work.

End of Year Achievements - The summer term is one of our most exciting and busiest terms as we enjoy the warmer weather and celebrate our end-of-year achievements. This includes the end of key stage tests in Years 2 and 6, the Phonics screen in Year 1 and a small number of pupils in Year 2, the multiplication test in Year 4, and assessing the good level of development in Reception.

Transition - We are also busily preparing for the new school year in September. This includes starting the transition for our current Year 6 pupils to secondary school and having other classes meet their next year teachers through "meet the teacher" lessons. This is a great opportunity for both teachers and pupils to prepare for September.

Importance of Attendance this term - With so much to fit into this term, it is important that school attendance remains high so that all our pupils have access to these experiences, complete their current year group objectives, and engage in wider events like sports day. Learning happens up until the last day, so your support with your child's attendance each day is crucial.

Summer Family Forum - On Monday, 19th May at 9am, we will be hosting our Summer family forum. This is a great opportunity to discuss new ideas, share successes with our leadership team, and involve your children. We will focus on Special Needs, Gifted and Talented, and sports here at Holyhead. We will be providing breakfast, so please come and join us!



Supporting Learning at Home - You can help at home by ensuring your children have access to TTRS, Class sites, and Century Learning to consolidate their learning and develop independent learning skills. If you have problems accessing any of these sites, please let your class teacher know, and they will support you. Sharing reading books regularly will also support your child's reading and language development.

After School Clubs and - We have a limited number of places available for our after school clubs. Please contact the school office if you would like a place.

EYFS Provision - This term, we expanded our EYFS provision in our 2-year-old room. We have limited places left this term and some 15-hour and 30-hour places left for a September 2025 start. If you would like to request a space this term or for the next academic year, please contact the school office.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Best regards,

Mrs N Shipley

Principal

