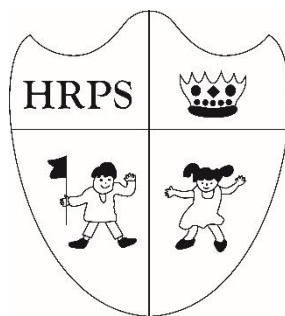


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# Primary School

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8 September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I am pleased to share that your child \_\_\_\_\_ has been selected for the gymnastics squad this term. Our plan continues to be to develop a school gymnastics squad and to compete in local and British Schools Gymnastics Association competitions. We have already booked competitions for both Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 children for this term. If your child is in the squad they are likely to be able to take part in such events.

If your child has been provided with this letter then they should not also apply for the future games led gymnastics Tuesday club as this will not be the correct level for their current ability level in gymnastics.

The club will be held every Thursday from 3:10 – 4:15pm and will be led by Ms Hewer and Miss Waller. Your child will have the opportunity to use our new equipment including a safety landing mat, vault and springboard, alongside our existing equipment such as the wall bars, benches and mats.

I wanted to remind parents of the very strong background of my team delivering this programme so have outlined this below.

## Ms Hewer

Ms Hewer started gymnastics at the age of 3 and competed at both a Regional and National level for Artist Gymnastics and Tumbling. She started coaching aged 13 and achieved the role of Assistant Coach at the age of 15 which made her one of the youngest to qualify in the country at the time. Ms Hewer went on to qualify as a Club Coach and coached the Recreational team at her local gymnastics club. In recent years, she has continued to coach locally as her children are keen gymnasts. She has also judged at club and county level.

## Miss Waller

Miss Waller started Sports Acrobatics gymnastics aged 9 and went on to compete at County, Regional and National level, representing the Eastern Region. She then started Cheerleading at university and went on to become a 3 x National Champion. Following this she took on the role of Head Coach for the university team and guided them to win multiple national titles. Miss Waller currently competes at a national level for an All Star Cheerleading team and is now a Level 3 qualified cheerleading coach.



I feel we certainly have both the experience and enthusiasm to move this project forward and have very high expectations of what our pupils can achieve. The club will take place after school on Thursdays.

I outline the dates for the term below.

Thursday, 9 September 2021
Thursday, 16 September 2021
Thursday, 23 September 2021
Thursday, 30 September 2021
Thursday, 7 October 2021
Thursday, 14 October 2021
Thursday, 21 October 2021
Not 28 October 2021 or 4 November 2021
Thursday, 11 November 2021
Thursday, 18 November 2021
Thursday, 25 November 2021
Thursday, 2 December 2021

The first session will commence on Thursday, 9 September 2021. There is a charge of £2 per session. An invoice will be sent for the total cost for the term of £22 to relevant parents.

The children should wear black shorts and a plain white t shirt for training. Pupils who are selected for competitions will be provided with a school leotard by Miss Waller. The costs of these will be met by the school. Children who are selected for competitions will be sent further details around arrangements for these.

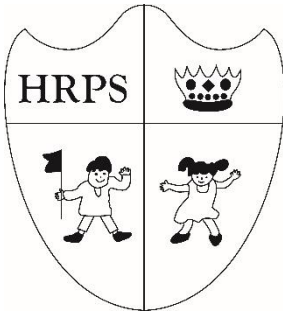
If you would like your child to be part of the squad, please complete the form below and return to the main office or your child's teacher. Please note pupils not attending the club will not be allowed to represent the school for gymnastics this year or be part of the squad.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Edwards  
Headteacher

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Dear Mr Edwards, Miss Waller and Ms Hewer

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to take part in gymnastics squad this term. I understand staff may need to support my child with certain balances and movements and give permission for staff at the school to do this.

I agree to pay £2.00 per week towards the cost of the sessions. [ ]

My child is in receipt of the Pupil Premium Grant and would like this to fund my child's sessions and outfit. [ ]

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

