

# Houghton Regis

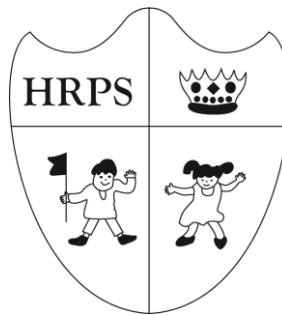
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# Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER



12 July 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

### Houghton Regis Library visit

Early Years and Key Stage One visited the library this week where we enjoyed looking at the range of books the library has to offer. We loved hearing all about the different things we can do at the library such as use the computers, create artwork as well as borrowing up to 10 books at a time.



### British Museum trip- Tuesday, 9 July 2024

On Tuesday, pupils from Elizabeth Class had a wonderful and informative day at The British Museum. The children had the opportunity to explore a large amount of the museum's collection and consolidate their understanding of all the history topics in Key Stage Two. Before lunch we looked at The Egyptian galleries where the children gazed at numerous mummies, shabti figures, canopic jars and all the other Egyptian artefacts. We then went on to explore the Roman galleries and look at the world famous Rosetta Stone. After lunch we explored The Greek rooms including the controversial Elgin Marbles. We ended the day looking at the American galleries where the class explored the Mayan artefacts. Over-all the children learnt a great deal and enjoyed their experience.



## Lunch menu on Monday 15 July 2024

Please note that there will be a few changes on the lunch menu on Monday 15 July:

- Early Years and KS1- meatballs in gravy instead of pork sausages
- Early Years, KS1 and KS2- Tuna wrap instead of tuna roll.

## Reading Challenge

Central Bedfordshire Libraries are running a Summer Reading Challenge for all children across Bedfordshire.

The Summer Reading Challenge is a free holiday activity for children. It's all about reading for fun, aiming to improve children's reading skills and confidence. Children can read anything they choose and earn free rewards for their efforts.

To take part, children can sign up at their nearest library at any time during the challenge. If they don't already have a library card, they can join on the day or join the virtual library online.

Books can be borrowed from a local library, or children can read e-books, magazines and audiobooks that they can download for free using their library cards and the Libby and Borrowbox apps.



## Home School and Acceptable User Agreement

All children have received a copy of the Home School and Acceptable User Agreement. We please ask that you read and sign this agreement and return to the school office by **Thursday, 18 July 2024**.

We ask that you pay particular attention to the updated E-Safety Policy (available on our school website), which covers the use of devices and the filtering and monitoring system that has been recently purchased. This enables us to closely monitor pupils' online activities during the period they are accessing their school user account.



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### School Grid- new price



Please note that from September 2024 the price for school meals will be increased to £2.50 for the Nursery pupils and £2.55 for all other year groups.

### School Clubs

Please note that on the last week of term there will be no ballet, gymnastics, taekwondo or sports after school clubs.

### England V Spain Football Game

As you will be aware, England are playing in the final of the Euros on Sunday evening. We are aware that some children will want to watch this match in its entirety. We will therefore be keeping registers open a little longer on Monday morning to allow children to have enough sleep and be prepared for the day. We would hope that most children will arrive at school at the normal time, however the registers will remain open until 9:20am.

If you arriving after 8:50am, please enter the school via the school office so that the children can sign in and choose their lunches.

### Last day of term- Thursday, 18 July 2024

Please note that school will be closing at 2.00pm on the last day of term. In addition, **there will be no after school club on that day.** We kindly request that you make the necessary arrangements to have your child collected on time.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

Mr James Edwards

Headteacher



### **Free school meals**

If you think you meet the free school meals eligibility criteria, please call the Local Authority on 0300 300 8306. When you call to apply for free school meals, please have the following information ready:

- National Insurance numbers and dates of birth for you and your partner
- Dates of birth for your children
- If you receive support from the National Asylum Support Service, your NASS number

If your application is successful, please contact the school office to confirm this to enable us to update our records to reflect this.

### **Contacting class teachers**

Every class in Houghton Regis Primary School have their own email address to enable parents to easily contact their child's teacher. The format of the email address is the class name followed by @houghtonregisprimary.co.uk.

#### **Nursery:**

[charles@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk](mailto:charles@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk)

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[silver@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk](mailto:silver@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk)

#### **Reception and Key Stage 1:**

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#### **Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2**

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## Star Awards

			
<b>Danny</b> <b>DETERMINATION</b> says, "DON'T GIVE UP."	<b>Colin</b> <b>CURIOSITY</b> says, "THINK FOR YOURSELF."	<b>Chloe</b> <b>COMMUNICATION</b> says, "RESPECT OTHERS."	<b>Izzy</b> <b>INDEPENDENCE</b> says, "DO YOUR BEST."
Primrose H	Natalie M	Lucas C	Jaxon A
Layla T	Grace D	Nicolas V	Ella-Grace P
Crystal C	Liliana P	Poppy T	Parnika P
Harry O	Daniella C	Ellie S	Praises E
Sophie F	Aalayah A	Victoria T	Patrick S
Zakariya H	Mia P	Danny G	Elsie H
Shae E	David T	Alexandru S	Nicolas P

### ***This week's Attendance Awards***

Reception/KS1 Prince Louis—  
Purple 92.8%

Lower KS2 Princess Charlotte –  
Yellow 97.5%

Upper KS2 Prince George—  
Elizabeth 96.7%



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# SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Under 8s must be accompanied by an adult

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**FREE**

## SCHOOLS OUT PARTY

Friday 19 July  
3.30 pm to 5.30 pm  
Bennett Memorial  
Recreation Ground  
Ages 5 to 9

**£6 per  
wristband**



## INFLATABLE DAY

Friday 26 July  
12 noon to 4 pm  
Grove House Gardens  
Ages 3+

**FREE**



## DANCE WORKSHOP

Monday 29 July  
10 am to 2 pm  
Grove House Gardens  
45 min sessions  
30 spaces per session

**FREE**



## SKATE BOARDING

Thursday 1 August  
10 am to 3 pm  
Grove Skate Park  
4 x 1 hour sessions  
12 spaces per session

10 am to 11 am  
5 to 7 year olds

11 am to 12 noon  
8 to 12 year olds

1 pm to 2 pm  
5 to 7 year olds

2 pm to 3 pm  
8 to 12 year olds

**FREE**



## LET'S PLAY

Wednesday 7 August  
11 am to 2 pm  
Downside Recreation  
Ground  
Ages 0 to 5

10 am to 10.45 am  
5 to 8 year olds

11 am to 11.45 am  
8 to 12 year olds

12 noon to 12.45 pm  
5 to 8 year olds

1.00 pm to 1.45 pm  
8 to 12 year olds

**FREE**



## SEASIDE DAY

Tuesday 13 August  
11 am to 3 pm  
Bennett Memorial  
Recreation Ground  
Ages 3+

**£2 per go**



## ZORB FOOTBALL

Monday 19 August  
1 pm to 3 pm  
Grove House  
Gardens  
Ages 6 +

Call to book onto the dance  
workshop and skateboard sessions,  
anything else just turn up

01582 891434

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## OLYMPICS ARTS, CRAFTS AND OBSTACLES

Ages 3+

Thursday 22 August  
10 am to 12 noon

Brewers Hill  
Recreation Ground



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# YOUTH SUMMER ACTIVITIES

AGES 11 TO 19 (25 SEND)



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## Schools Out Party

**FRIDAY 19 JULY**  
6.30 pm to 8.30 pm

Bennett Memorial  
Recreation Ground

## Sports Spectacular

**WEDNESDAY 24 JULY**

4.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Kingsbury Recreation  
Ground



## Obstacle Course & Human Table Football

**THURSDAY 1 AUGUST**

3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Bennett Memorial  
Recreation Ground

## Inflatable Day

**MONDAY 5 AUGUST**

4.00 pm to 7.00 pm

Grove House Gardens

## Outdoor Games & Climbing Wall

**THURSDAY 15 AUGUST**

3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Priory Gardens

## Sports Extravaganza

**MONDAY 19 AUGUST**

3.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Downside Recreation  
Ground

## Chill & Thrill

Pilates, chill zone, silent disco &  
football

**THURSDAY 29 AUGUST**

3.00 pm to 6.00 pm

Bennett Memorial Recreation  
Ground

## Skate Jam

**SATURDAY 24 AUGUST**

12.00 noon to 4.00 pm

Grove Skate Park

**ALL  
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ATTEND**



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