

HALTON LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

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Sports Council

Last Friday, the Sports Council examined how much added sugar there was in the drinks that the children bring to school (as part of their packed lunches). Some of their findings were quite surprising.

To help them to complete their investigation – and to create a presentation that the children throughout the school will find interesting and informative - could you please encourage your child to bring into school next week any empty bottles, cartons or tetrapacks for any drinks that they regularly consume at home.

Change of Holiday Dates

As a maintained school (rather than a faith school or academy), our school holidays are set by Halton Borough Council.

In recent years it has been noted that the school holidays for children in Halton (especially at Christmas time) have become out of sync with those of neighbouring authorities and the majority of schools in Runcorn; which can cause a real issue with child care.

To avoid these issues arising again next Christmas, Halton have changed the dates of the school Christmas Holidays for 2018. Now these have been finalised, the school will aim to set the INSET dates for 2018/19 within the next few weeks.

The holiday dates on the school website were changed on Tuesday (as soon as we were notified of these changes) but – to ensure all parents and carers are aware of the new dates – these are printed below:

Halton Lodge School Holidays 2017/18

	First day of term	Last day of term
Spring Term	Tuesday 2 January 2018	Friday 9 February 2018
	Monday 19 February 2018	Thursday 29 March 2018
Summer Term *	Monday 16 April 2018 Friday 25 May 201	
	Tuesday 5 June 2018	Wednesday 25 July 2018

^{*} Includes May Bank Holiday: Monday 7 May 2018

INSET Days

Monday	Tuesday	Friday	Monday	Monday
4/09/17	5/09/17	15/09/17	23/04/18	04/06/18













Halton Lodge School Holidays 2018/19

	First day of term	Last day of term
Autumn Term	Tuesday 4 September 2018	Friday 19 October 2018
	Monday 29 October 2018	Friday 21 December 2018
Spring Term	Monday 7 January 2019	Friday 8 February 2019
	Monday 18 February 2019	Friday 29 March 2019
Summer Term *	Monday 15 April 2019	Friday 24 May 2019
	Monday 3 June 2019	Wednesday 24 July 2019

^{*} Includes Bank Holiday (Good Friday: Friday 19 April 2019; Easter Monday: Monday 22 April 2019; and May Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019)

INSET Davs

Monday	Yet to be	Yet to be	Yet to be	Yet to be
3/9/18	confirmed	confirmed	confirmed	confirmed

Year 3 and Year 4 Parents' Lunch

On Wednesday we had over 45 adults come into school to enjoy a school meal with their child, grandchild, niece or nephew. It was great to see so many families sharing a



meal together and to hear so many positive comments about the quality of the school meals served at Halton Lodge Primary School.

I am sure that all of the adults who came were very impressed by the team of adults that we have who work in our school kitchen, and the quality of the food that they produce.

We will be welcoming family members of Year 5 & 6 pupils into school on Wednesday 21st February.

We currently have quite a lot of new SCHOOL UNIFORM in the school office. Therefore, if you are looking to order some new uniform, it is very possible we will have it in stock – and there will be no need to wait for it to be delivered by the supplier.

Please enquire at the school office if you would like to see what stock we currently hold.

Reminder: It is our Year 5 Class Assembly on Tuesday (6th February) at 9:10am. All family members of the children in Miss Cosgrove's class are more than welcome to come along and watch.



Friends Of Halton Lodge Primary School

We have received a number of enquiries recently, asking who is on the PTA at our school.

Unfortunately, we have struggled to form a Parent & Teacher Association (PTA) — as we would require more parents to form a committee and organise events. However, we have been extremely fortunate to have had some key staff members — namely Mrs Urmson, Mrs Bowen and Miss Simcock (supported by a dedicated team of TAs, MDAs and other staff members — along with some parent volunteers) who have organised PTA events; such as bingo evenings, Christmas and Summer Fayres, School Discos and The Surprise Room in recent years.

As there now appears to be a growing number of parents and other family members who are keen to give some time to help organise special events and help to plan 'new' events – such as Film Nights – we would like to create a 'Friends Of Halton Lodge' (FOHL) group so we can make many of these ideas a reality.

If you are interested to learn more about FOHLs and put forward some ideas — or even become more formally involved (by helping to organise a specific activity), please come along to a short planning meeting on Friday, 9th February at 2:00pm.

Alternatively, if you have any ideas or suggestions that you would like to put forward (or would be willing to volunteer at any of the upcoming planned events), please complete the slip opposite – and return it to school by Friday. Thank You!

Friends Of Halton Lodge (FOHLs) - Ideas Slip

If you have any suggestions for events that you would like FOHLs to organise, at any point of the school year, please note them here:

If you would be willing to help organise or help to run any of the following events, please tick which ones:

[] Easter Bingo	[] Easter Egg Hunt
[] School Disco	[] The Surprise Room
[] Christmas Bingo	(for Mothers Day or
[] Film Night	Fathers Day)
[] Christmas Fayre	[] Gardening
[] Other	

I have children at Halton Lodge Primary School in: [] Yr R [] Yr 1 [] Yr 2 [] Yr 3 [] Yr 4 [] Yr 5 [] Yr 6



FOOTBALL

10am - 12 noon:

Frank Myler Sports Pavilion:

Liverpool Road Widnes WA8 7EZ.

1pm - 3pm:

Grangeway Community Centre:

Grangeway Runcorn WA7 5HA.



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