

Summer Term at The Holme



As summer approaches, there is a real sense of anticipation here at The Holme. The final term of the school year is always a busy and joyful one, filled with memorable events that celebrate the hard work, talents and achievements of our children. We are already looking forward to sports day, our annual Year 5 and 6 production, prize giving, and many other highlights that bring our whole community together.

This time of year also prompts us to reflect on an important milestone for our oldest pupils as they prepare to move on to secondary school. It is both a proud and poignant moment. We mark this transition with a special leavers' service at Guildford Cathedral. Over the course of two weeks in June, every primary school child in the diocese has the opportunity to visit the cathedral for a leavers' service. It is truly eye-opening to see so many 10 and 11-year-olds gathered together in one place, and the occasion is always filled with joy, reflection and a sense of shared journey.

Alongside these traditions, we are also excited to share news of an important new development at The Holme. From September, we will be opening our new nursery provision—the Fledgling Class. This new class will welcome children from the age of two, and we are delighted to be expanding our school family in this way. Research and experience consistently show that schools with school-led nurseries often achieve stronger outcomes, as they are able to build longer, more meaningful relationships with both children and their families from an early age.

If you would like to find out more about the opportunities this new provision will offer, please do get in touch—we would be very pleased to speak with you.

Finally, we would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our wonderful volunteers who have supported our children throughout recent assessments. The time, care and encouragement you give are invaluable and make an enormous difference to the children's confidence and experience. If you are interested in getting involved, we would be delighted to talk to you about volunteering opportunities at The Holme.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Campbell McArthur, Headteacher