



Holmer Green Senior School Weekly Newsletter

2 October 2026



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE:

Walking around the school at the moment it is a real pleasure, walking into lessons seeing students working really hard and doing their best.

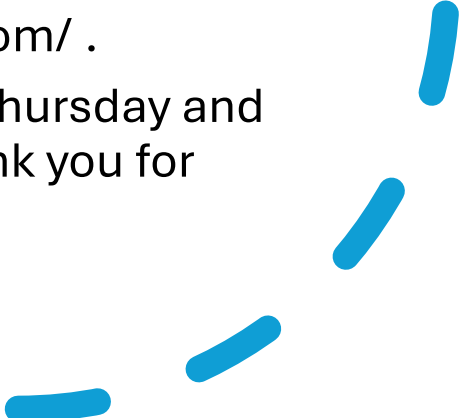
Over 30,000 achievement points have already been issued in this half term, which is a great marker of students' endeavours. As parents, please flick through the achievement points daily or weekly and continue to congratulate your child as they will have some great work to earn them.

Remember, we also have an Exceptional Performance award for those students who compete, perform or volunteer at a high level outside of school. The criteria and application form are [here](#).

Our Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold programmes for Years 9, 10 and 12 still have a few places with a final deadline of FRIDAY 16 October via <https://schoolgateway.com/> .

Lastly, we are preparing for Open Evening next Thursday and have a record number of students helping. Thank you for supporting this.

Have a good weekend.





HOLMER GREEN SENIOR SCHOOL
PARENTS ASSOCIATION (HGSS PA)

Volunteers
needed

We are a friendly group of parents who want to raise money for the school and make a difference in the local community.

Past fundraising events:

- Ordering through Stikins Name Labels
- Christmas Santa 5k Run
- Christmas Raffle and Hampers • Quiz Nights
- Christmas by the Common Fayre
- Providing refreshments at school events
- Music on the Common • Summer Raffle

Last year we raised over £1,000 which we put towards new library furniture.

If Interested, contact PA@holmer.org.uk

NEW YEAR 7 PARENTS Please do join us at our next virtual PA meeting on **Tuesday 13th October at 7pm**. We would love to meet you and are always open to new ideas for fundraising! Just email the PA email address above if you are interested in attending.

HOLMER GREEN SENIOR SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Lucky Numbers Club

HGSS Parents Association "Lucky Numbers Club" runs a monthly charitable draw. Half of the money collected is returned in prize money each month, with the other half being used to buy items for the school.

Each year we offer all parents and friends of the school, the opportunity to purchase up to 3 numbers, the more the numbers you have the greater your chance of winning. The Club runs from September until August of each year.

Unlike most prices these days we have kept the existing £1 per number per month payable in advance. We do hope you will support your child's school in this way, as well as supporting other events we organise. The option to purchase Lucky Numbers is now available from the School Gateway. The costs are as follows:

- £12.00 for 1 number per monthly draw for 12 months
- £24.00 for 2 numbers per monthly draw for 12 months
- £36.00 for 3 numbers per monthly draw for 12 months

Thank you for supporting the school and your children. The deadline for entering the draw will be 16th October 2026. The first draw will be in November, when we will also draw the winners for September and October, so please purchase your Lucky Numbers now!

Fixture results from last week:

Year 7 Football won their Round 1 County Cup football fixture against Ousedale 5-2.

Year 9 Football won their first league game of the year 7-2
(Picture below)



Sixth Form News

We have had a very busy start to the school year.

We welcomed the largest cohort of Year 12s – 106 which together with 94 Year 13s, we now have the largest Sixth Form in HGSS history at 200.

The Year 12s are settling in well and getting used to having more control over their studying. Elevate Education came to two of their weekly Enrichment Sessions, where the students were provided with interactive study skills workshops to include time management, revision techniques and note taking.

They are also embracing the many extra-curricular activities too by providing assistance in lessons in the lower years of the school as part of their community service; signing up to be MIND Mentors and Stand Up Speak Up Advocates and shortly the Sports Leaders programme will commence.

It was a pleasure to welcome parents and carers to our Year 12 information evening on Thursday 24th September, outlining our expectations, opportunities and support that the Sixth Form offers.

Year 13s are writing their personal statements for their university/apprenticeship applications. They are being supported in this by their form tutors and other members of the Sixth Form Team. The new Student Leadership Team and Student Leaders are working through the many ideas they have to support the school community. Plus, they are all studying hard preparing for their mocks in November – as we remind them that final exams and assessments will be here faster than they realise!



MULTI-CULTURAL LUNCHES

We celebrated Rosh Hashanah on 16 September and will celebrate Diwali on 5 November
With traditional and tasty meals served in our Dining Room



Latest Vacancies

Caretaker/Lettings Assistant

Please see our website for full details:

[Holmer Green Senior School - Work with us](#)

CAREERS

Follow this link for the latest Classroom to Careers Newsletter

[Classroom_to_Careers_Newsletter_September_2026.pdf](#)

REMINDERS:

Student safety – please encourage your children to be attentive when using the roads. The use of mobile phones whilst walking along the pavements or crossing the roads should be discouraged so that children can concentrate on their surroundings and other people.



We strongly encourage our students to be as independent as possible on their journey to and from school. Walking, cycling and taking the bus are all good options. If you do need to drive your children to school, please do not drive along Parish Piece at the start and the end of the school day as this causes congestion and significant danger for students as they make their way home. Please arrange to meet you sons and daughters at a location away from Parish Piece. When parking, please park legally, safely and respectfully of our neighbours.

Please remember to sign up for extra curricular clubs and interventions and include the School Cloud link: SchoolCloud - Holmer Green Senior School
<https://holmergreensenior.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Weekly Bulletin for next week:

OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER: 4.30PM TO 7.30PM

Please complete our STUDENT HELPER CONSENT FORM for Open Evening if you have received this via email