

Weekly Bulletin

Week ending Friday 7 October 2022

PE reminders for next week

Upcoming fixtures:

- **Wednesday 12 October:** Year 7 Football vs Avon Valley School (at Houlton). Kick off at approximately 3:50pm. Pick up at 4:45pm.
- Thursday 13 October: Year 8 Football vs Avon Valley School (at Houlton). Kick off at approximately 3:50pm. Pick up at 4:45pm.

Coffee Morning

You are warmly invited to our **first termly coffee morning** hosted by the Inclusion Team.

This will take place on **Thursday 20 October at 10:00am** and will focus upon Special Educational Needs and Disabilities at Houlton School.

It is open to anyone who would like to know more about how we support pupils with additional needs at Houlton and will provide an opportunity to meet other local parents.

To register your interest please email Mrs Cooper, Head of Faculty for Inclusion and SENDCo at cooperr@houltonschool.org.uk

Car Park Information

We are delighted to announce that Urban&Civic have agreed to open the gate that crosses their green corridor space and runs along the perimeter of our campus, next to the car park; therefore, from Monday 10 October pupils will be able to enter and exit campus without crossing the car park.

Our new powered gates will be installed later this term, but until then we continue to allow parents/carers to drop children inside the school gates. Please drive sensibly on the school site and **pull into the marked bays to drop pupils off** rather than parking across staff cars/blocking spaces, otherwise this is no safer than dropping on Signal Drive. There is no need to drop pupils right outside the door so please use the whole car park. There has been more than one incident of careless driving recently, placing children's lives in significant danger. We ask that you moderate your speeds and that you are also courteous and polite whilst in the car park. **Maximum on site speed is 5mph**.

Attendance

Should your child be absent from school please ensure that you telephone/email daily by **8:30am** at the latest (there is an absence line should you wish to leave a message or if you prefer you can send it via email to our designated attendance email address: attendance@houltonschool.org.uk). Please do this on a daily basis if your child remains absent.

In the case of illness for more than 3 consecutive days, in order to authorise this period of absence the school will require medical evidence such as the following: medical appointment card/letter; proof of a prescription (medication label/container) showing the date prescribed, or a receipt of medication purchased for your child.

As part of our safeguarding procedure, our Safe and Well Team will make home visits to our pupils if they are unwell for a period of absence, or should we have any concerns. Thank you for your understanding and support.