

Academy Bulletin

5th September 2025



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Access to the School Site

We would like to remind parents/carers that in view of the limited space available in the car park at the front of the Academy, parking restrictions are in place between **8.00-8.40am and 3.00-3.45pm** to facilitate the movement of the school buses. During these times, only students who have a special educational need and/or disability or have a medical condition which requires them to be dropped off and picked up near the school's main reception, can be driven in by car.

We need to keep this number as low as possible to maintain a safe site for our students. If you need to bring your child/ren on to site for the above reasons only, please contact us by **Friday 12th September** on office@holbrookacademy.org Where this is agreed, we will then arrange for a car pass to be issued to you which will need to be displayed on your car windscreen, easily visible to those staff on duty.

If you do need to drive onto the school site, please drive slowly and take particular care on the driveway as you approach the gates as there is a concealed entrance used by students and members of the public.

Thank you for your help in keeping our students safe.

Mrs Elliott

Calendar / Upcoming Events

Please note the following dates for the Autumn term - full details will be shared shortly.

17th September	School Photographer
18th September	Year 10 Information Evening 5.15-6.00 pm
25th September	Open Evening : 6.00-8.00pm
w/c 29th September	Open Mornings
29th September	Year 11 Pathways / Post 16 Evening 5.15-6.45pm
9th October	Careers Fair at Ipswich High School (all year groups)
16th October	Year 8 'A Midsummer Night' Dream' at the Mercury Theatre, Colchester
27th-31st October	Half-term
28th November	PD Day
16th December	Year 11 Progress Evening
19th December	End of term



Educake

Educake is a simple tool that helps your child do revision and homework in a quick and simple way. They can do short quizzes on their phone or computer. It helps them understand what they know, and what they need to practise more. Many students find that Educake helps them feel less stressed and more confident.

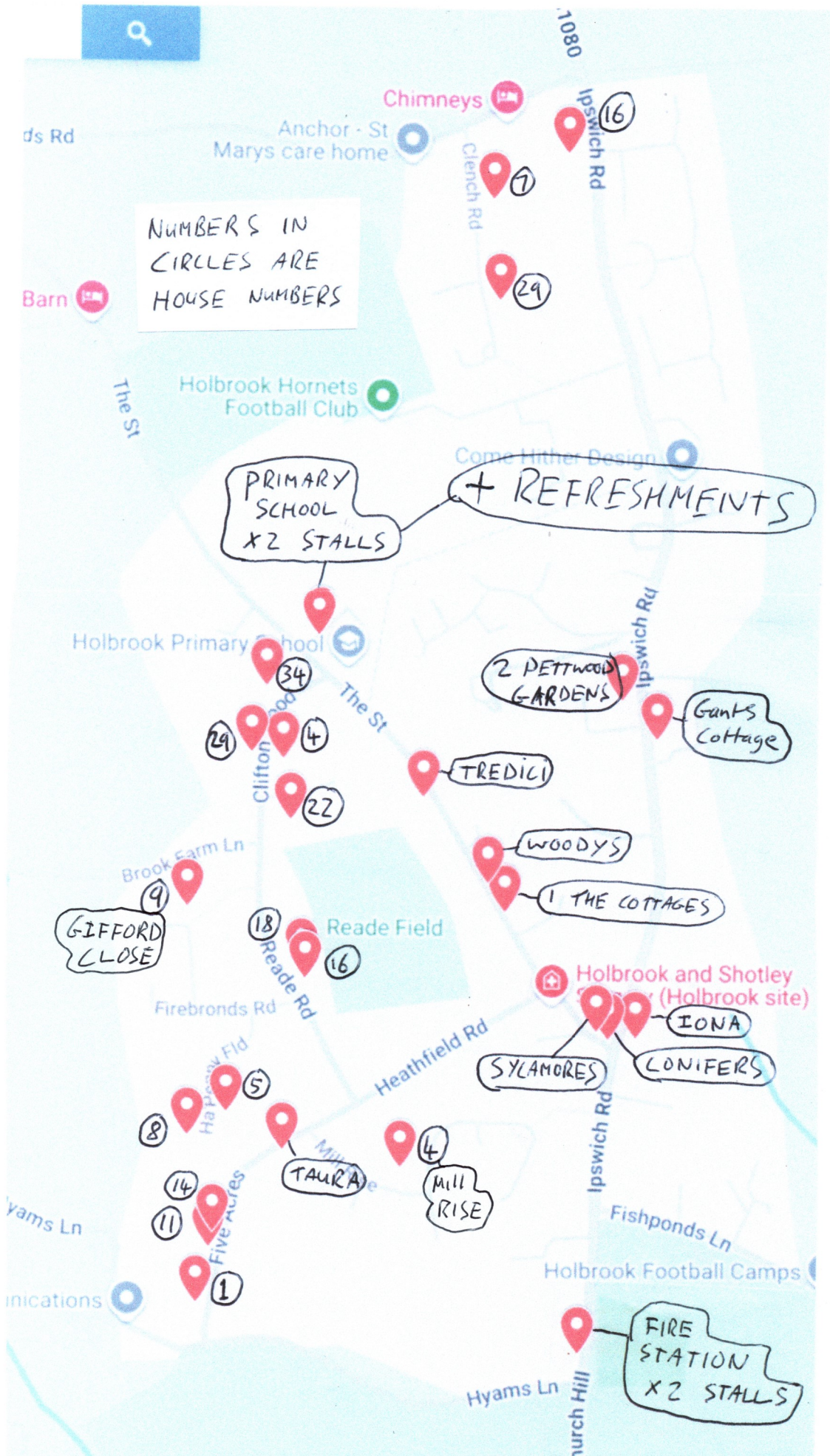
Further details will be shared with families but please have a look at the following links:-

For Parents/Carers: educake.co.uk/parents-and-carers/

For Students: educake.co.uk/student-guide

See page 2 for details of the Holbrook Garage Sale taking place on 6th September ...

HOLBROOK GARAGE SALE. Refreshments and second hand uniform sale at the Primary school in aid of the P.S.A



The Fire Station and Fire Engine will be open with crew there too. Come see!

Free School Meals

We are keen to ensure that all families who need support know where to access this.

To find out if your child may be entitled to free school meals and how to apply for this, please refer to the information on the following link:-

[Apply for free school meals](#)

If your child is entitled to free school meals, it also means the Academy will receive additional funding for your child which can be used to support trips, resources, etc.

Full details of the menu on offer from Caterlink can be found [here](#)

Students entitled to free school meals may choose a meal deal option each day - full details of what is available.



DID YOU KNOW...

THAT YOUR CHILD MAY BE ENTITLED TO
FREE SCHOOL MEALS EVERYDAY?

WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?



MAIN MEAL OPTION OF THE DAY

PASTA KITCHEN

JACKET STATION WITH TOPPINGS

CHOICE OF SANDWICHES, BAGUETTES
WRAPS, ROLLS, BAGELS

ALL SERVED WITHIN THE **FREE**
SCHOOL MEALS MEAL DEAL - WHICH MAY
INCLUDE A DESSERT, A DRINK OR FRUIT *
FOR THE TOTAL VALUE OF FSM AMOUNT

* DIFFERENT SCHOOL MEAL DEALS VARY

CLICK THE LINK BELOW TO APPLY

WWW.GOV.UK/APPLY-FREE-SCHOOL-MEALS OR SPEAK TO THE SCHOOLS RECEPTION



OR SCAN HERE!

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Safeguarding Information

During school hours, please contact Mrs Alex King (Designated Safeguarding Lead) or Miss Crabtree (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) or ask to speak to a member of the Safeguarding team - 01473 328317

At all other times, please contact Customer First : 0808 800 4005 or

If you believe there is an emergency and a child is at risk of **immediate harm** please call the Police on **999**.

Safeguarding Support Services:

999: For emergencies and if there is an immediate risk of harm.

111: Urgent medical help that is not life threatening.

111 option 2: Mental Health Crisis Support

101: Police, non-emergency crimes

0808 800 4005: MASH Customer First (Social Services)

0800 1111: Childline

0800 136 663 or help@nspcc.org.uk : NSPCC Sexual Assault

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/ : Online bullying

www.kooth.com : Kooth - Online counselling service for young people aged 11-25