



Hollymount Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Sam Birnage BSc (Hons) PGCE

Cambridge Road
Wimbledon
SW20 0SQ
020 8946 0454

www.hollymount.org

replies@hollymount.merton.sch.uk

Birthday Treat Guidance

If your child would like to celebrate their birthday by treating their class, this can be done in a variety of ways. You may like to:-

1. Purchase a personalised bookplate and fund a new book for school. For each bookplate bought, a new book will be purchased and a bookplate noting the name of the child, their age and birthday will be placed in the front. Bookplates cost £10 and any surplus over the cost of the book will go towards purchasing further books. Mrs Richards, the school librarian, will suggest a suitable book. If, however, you would prefer to specify a particular book or subject area for the book, you will have the opportunity to add a comment in the ticket note after you have purchased the bookplate. To purchase a bookplate, go to: <https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/6309365153792000> Please purchase your bookplate at least 2 weeks in advance of your child's birthday. The book will be presented in your child's class for their birthday. **This is the school's preferred birthday treat option.**
2. Provide one gift for the whole class to enjoy such as a board game or wet play colouring in book. You can write a message on the gift to the class saying whose birthday it is.
3. Provide an edible gift for the class. If this is the option that you choose, please provide one of the following only:
 - o Vanilla or chocolate cupcakes.
 - o Small bags of chocolate sweets.
 - o Fruits or vegetables (or fruit based treats)

We ask you not to bring in chewy sweets, as many of them contain gelatine and this would prevent pupils of various faiths and vegetarians from joining in the class celebrations. No food should contain nuts. We would also discourage you from bringing in large cakes to cut up as this is rather time consuming and would take teaching assistants out of class during valuable teaching time. If edible treats are provided they will be consumed within class or sent home at the discretion of the teacher. Parents should contact the class teacher to check for any dietary requirements or allergies that children in the class might have.

Religious Holidays

If you are celebrating a religious holiday at home and you and your child would like to share this with the class through the traditional food that you would eat, then this is fine. We ask that you inform your child's class teacher ahead of time and to adhere to the guidance above with regard to nuts and gelatine. Finally, if you bring food in we would ask you to tell the class teachers what ingredients have been used, if homemade, so that we can be mindful of the various dietary requirements that children within the class might have.



Artsmark
Gold Award
Awarded by Arts
Council England

