



# HOLLY CLASS NEWSLETTER

## A NOTE FOR YEAR 2 PARENTS

I hope that you all had a lovely Easter break. In this newsletter is information about the Summer term topic.

Year 2 SATs are now non-statutory, however Soke Academy Trust have opted to continue using them as a valuable data point and to support teacher assessment of pupils in Year 2. These will take place throughout the month of May and into June. This will be done much like previous assessments this year, with small groups in class with the teacher and the rest of the pupils making use of our amazing outdoor areas.

Please feel free to speak to me about any news, concerns or questions you might have either by speaking to me at dropoff/pickup or sending a message via ClassDojo.

Mrs Simcoe

## SUMMER TERM TOPIC

### ***Brilliant Brazil***

This topic is primarily a Geography unit which will focus on contrasting weather and geographical features of Brazil. We will also use the wonders of Brazil to inspire parts of our reading, writing and art this term.



# CURRICULUM



## English

Our first writing unit is developing our non-fiction writing with a continuation of our writing about owls. We will then complete some instructional writing as well as some short pieces of letter and writing about fables. There will be a high emphasis on grammar and punctuation terms in preparation for our spelling and grammar papers at the end of term.



## Maths

In preparation for the KS1 SATs our maths units cover a broad range of topics starting with units of measure and data handling then fractions, as well as revision of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division through problem solving.



## Reading

In reading this term, we will also be looking at the features of a variety of text types. Each week will feature a set of different books to explore and enjoy which we will display and discuss in our lessons. In preparation for KS2 we will continue to read 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' as our class book and select our next text after its completion.

## Science

In our science lessons this term, we are learning all about animals, food chains and developing on our plant knowledge.

## Computing

Within computing lessons this term, we will be working on stop motion animation.

## Geography

In our geography lessons this term, we are learning about the physical features of Brazil and comparing and contrasting the country with the UK.

## Art

This half-term's art will focus on Brilliant Brazil! We will study the nature of Brazil's famous rainforest and produce prints of a variety of animals.

## Music

Our Music this half term is a unit called 'Recognising Different Sounds'. Students will learn several new songs and learn to identify the tone of a variety of different instruments.

## PE

Outdoor PE is a topic about Invasion games, and indoor PE is a dance unit where the children will learn and perform a short dance sequence.

## PSHRE

PSHRE will focus on managing risks and staying safe.

## REMINDERS

**PE** – Our PE sessions will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday. At least one of these slots will take place outside, so please ensure that your child has suitable clothing and footwear.

**Summer Weather** – Please ensure your child has suitable footwear, coats and a hat in school. Sun creams should be applied before children arrive at school.

Further details about homework and special events will be communicated with you soon, once arrangements have been made. Please continue to read daily with your child. Books will be changed every Monday and Thursday.