



HOLLY CLASS NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO YEAR 2!

Dear Year 2 families,

Detailed below is information about our Autumn term topics. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your children. Please feel free to contact me through Classdojo or speak to me before or after school with anything you may wish to discuss.

Kind regards,
Mrs Simcoe

AUTUMN TERM TOPICS

Who's Afraid of The Big Bad Wolf?

Our first topic centers on traditional tales, particularly on those involving the Big Bad Wolf. We will be rewriting these traditional tales, performing short scenes from the stories and debating whether the wolf was all that bad. In our other lessons we will be looking at healthy living, drawing skills and building on our location knowledge of the world. Further details can be found on the next page about individual subjects.

Winter Wonderland

Our second topic is all about Winter, and features a Winter Witch and an icy palace. We will be writing description and stories, Winter poems and of course, getting ready for our Christmas production! Further details can be found on the next page about individual subjects.



CURRICULUM



English

In the first term, we will be securing our sentence writing skills with descriptions of traditional tale characters, rewriting well-known tales and discussing character's choices. Our second writing unit is description in story writing based on the book 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C.S. Lewis. We will also be writing instructions and poems based on Winter themes.



Maths

Place value is our first unit, looking at working with tens and ones. We will then be spending a lot of time developing our addition and subtraction skills, before touching on shape before the Christmas holidays.



Reading

In reading this term, we will be reading a wide range of texts, with the intent of developing familiarity with a set of texts and reading them with fluency. 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.

Science and DT

In our science lessons this term, we are learning all about healthy living and food choices. We will be designing and making picnic treats for Little Red Riding Hood's basket and understanding how people grow and change throughout their lives from babies to adults.

Computing

Within computing lessons this term, we will be focusing on E-safety and basic Ipad navigational skills, before looking at the uses of IT.

Geography

In our geography lessons this term, we are learning the names of the continents and oceans, and developing our locational knowledge of where we live and it's physical features.

PE

Indoor PE will begin with fundamental movement skills and then move on to fitness. Outdoor PE will start with ball skills and then move on to sending and receiving.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about where people worship. After the half-term break, we will look at festivals of light.

PSHRE

PSHRE will start with a focus on rights, rules and responsibilities and then be all about emotions and anti-bullying.

Art

Art will start with drawing skills and mark making, moving on to looking at hot and cold colours and painting skills after the break.

Music

Music will begin to build on the children's basic knowledge of singing and playing tuned and untuned instruments. They will learn to sing a range of songs and play the recorder and glockenspiel.

REMINDERS

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

Winter Weather - Please ensure your child has suitable footwear, coats and a hat (if required) in school. As the school field is so often wet in these months, children will only be able to make use of our fantastic field and wooded space if they are wearing a pair of wellies on days the ground is wet.

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.