



HOLLY CLASS NEWSLETTER

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome back to a brand new year. I hope that you all had a lovely Christmas break. In this newsletter is information about the Spring term topics and other additional information that you might find helpful.

Please feel free to speak to me about any news, concerns or questions you might have.

SPRING TERM

Our Spring Term is varied and exciting. Within History lessons we will be learning about the history of flight, from hot air balloons to space travel. We will also be designing and creating a vehicle. within our DT. As the term progresses, we then delve into the nighttime lives of nocturnal creatures, with a special set of visitors coming to see us in March! Further details can be found on the next page about individual subjects.



CURRICULUM



English

Our first writing unit is description in story writing based on the book 'Journey' by Aaron Beck. We will also be writing instructions and information texts. In the second half-term we will be writing more narratives and first hand recounts.



Maths

To begin with we will recap some of our key skills in addition and subtraction before learning all about money and working with pounds and pence. We will then be spending a lot of time developing our multiplication and division knowledge.



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

In our science lessons this term, we are learning all about animals! From habitats to what they need to survive, how to tell if something is living or dead and much, much more.

Computing

Within computing lessons this term, we will be creating Ebooks online and developing our typing skills.

History

In our history lessons this term, we are learning about the history of flight from hot air balloons to rocket ships. Our significant figures of focus will be Amelia Earhart and Neil Armstrong.

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.

RE

In RE, we will be learning about Guru Nanak and Sikhism. After the half-term break, we will look at other elements of Christianity to do with churches, Easter and the things that Jesus taught about.

PSHRE

PSHRE will focus on financial responsibility and working together, linking in nicely with our maths unit on money.

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 and Friday.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Simcoe and Mrs Schilling