

# HOLLY CLASS NEWSLETTER

Spring Term 2026

## Our Learning

In Phonics, the children will be learning new sounds and revisiting ones they've already explored. They'll be practicing and applying these sounds in lots of fun and engaging ways to help build their reading and writing skills.

In Literacy, over the next few weeks, the children will explore memoir writing and developing their story comprehension and writing skills. We will engage in a range of writing activities and writing styles, whilst also practicing key writing skills. Weaved into this the children will also learn a range of age appropriate spelling, grammar and punctuation skills. We complete guided reading daily and will be reading some fun and exciting texts this term.

In Maths, Reception children will be becoming confident in number 5-10 and exploring them in many contexts. In Year 1 & Year 2 children will be building their maths skills by focusing on Place value, Addition and subtraction, length and height, mass and volume. Money, multiplication and division, capacity and temperature.

In Science the children will learn about uses of material and plant survival. As well as, senses and the natural world.

In Geography we will be learning about Coastlines, finding out all about different ones around the country and the world as well as staying safe at the coast. This will lead to a trip to the seaside at the end of this term.

Our RE learning is based on the question, How do some Muslims show Allah is compassionate and merciful? and What are the best symbols of Jesus, Jesus' death and resurrection and Easter?

In Computing we will explore online safety, online story books and making music.  
Our PE topics are bat and ball skills and dancing.  
In PSHE our learning will be based on dreams and goals and healthy me.

In Art we will be learning about floral art work.  
In DT we will be creating beach huts.  
In Music we will be exploring different sound patterns

## Welcome

Happy New Year, and a big, warm welcome back to Holly Class in 2026!

We're so excited to have all the children back with us, and we're looking forward to a fantastic term ahead. We have lots of wonderful learning opportunities, fun events, and exciting adventures planned. It's been truly lovely to see the children settling back into school life with such enthusiasm and smiles.

## Reminders

We're so lucky to have a fantastic field that we use often, so please send your child in with an extra pair of trainers (or wellies if it's snowy) that are suitable for outdoor play. Please remember that children need a named water bottle in school every day. To help us return belongings quickly, we kindly ask that all clothing is clearly labelled. On Fridays, children should come to school wearing their PE kit.

Your child will bring home three books each day:

- a phonics-matched reading book,
- a library book, and
- a reading tree book.

Please make sure these come back to school daily.

## Quick Note

We operate an open-door policy, if you or your child ever need a chat, we're always happy to talk. You can speak to us at the school gate, arrange a meeting through Mrs Stone in the office, or send us a message via Class Dojo.