




Hollydale Primary School

Working together to be the best that we can be.

Welcome to Summer One!

Learning and development	
Personal, social and emotional development	<p>This includes: Making relationships, Self-confidence and self-awareness, managing feelings and behaviour.</p> <p>This term, we will be exploring why it is important to help others and how we can be helpful towards our friends. Additionally, we will be learning about road safety and what to do in an emergency.</p>
Communication and language	<p>This term, we will continue to provide regular opportunities for class discussions, as well as sharing weekend news in small groups each week. Children will also be encouraged to play collaboratively and imaginatively.</p>
Physical development	<p>Our focus this term will be on athletics. Children will continue to have plenty of opportunities to enjoy walking, crawling and running. They will also develop their fine motor skills to support with gripping pencils. We will have a yoga session each week and children will have the opportunity to use the balance bikes and tricycles outside.</p>
Literacy	<p>Literacy will be closely linked to our daily phonics sessions. Children will continue to learn the different sounds made by letters and pairs of letters. We are beginning to write daily sentences which are linked to our phonics, using our knowledge of letters and sounds to sound out. Additionally, we will continue to explore lots of books with the children which they would be unable to sound out independently. Our main focus texts this term will be <i>Clothesline Clues to Jobs People Do</i> by Kathryn Helling and <i>Farmer Duck</i> by Martin Waddell.</p>
Maths	<p>This term, we will be continuing to practise counting accurately and recognising numbers in different arrangements. We will learn about the numbers 11-20 and practise representing them in different ways. In addition to this, we will continue to work on our number formation so that we can record our work.</p> <p>In the area of shape, space and measure, we will be developing our spatial reasoning skills by recognising 2D shapes in different orientations and using them to make pictures.</p>
Understanding of the world	<p>Our topics will be <i>People Who Help Us</i> and <i>The Farm</i>.</p> <p>We will be learning about different people who help us in the community. This includes doctors, nurses, police officers, fire fighters, shop assistants, taxi drivers, bus drivers and builders. I would be really interested in arranging visitors to the school so that children can meet people with these jobs and ask them some simple questions. Please let me know if you can help!</p> <p>After this, we will be learning about common farm animals, where our food comes from and what life is like on a farm.</p>
Expressive art and design	<p>Children will be encouraged to use their imagination and creativity throughout the day through open-ended play. We will be engaging in junk modelling, transient art and free painting. We also have a dedicated music teacher, Mr Hamilton, who comes every</p>

	Thursday morning.
Key information	
P.E.	We will continue to have our physical education lessons on Mondays and Wednesdays . On these days, we ask that children come to school in their P.E. kits (black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a plain white t-shirt and black trainers or plimsolls all clearly marked with their name).
Reading Records	The children will take home a sharing book to read with an adult each week. These books are changed on Mondays . Please make sure that your child has this book in their bag the following Monday, or I will not be able to provide another. Phonics books to read at home are changed on Thursdays . Please make sure your child has their reading record and phonics book in their bag each day.
Community fund	Each week we ask families to contribute £1 for the cost of extra resources for the class, such as cooking ingredients and craft resources. This can be given to class staff in a named envelope. Last half term we used this to purchase play dough ingredients and some new resources to develop children's fine motor skills.
Homework	I will continue to send homework this term. This will focus on phonics and maths. Please go through the phonics sounds and words with your child and tick off any they can read. If they are finding anything challenging, please leave a note in the homework book or message me on Class Dojo. Thus us set on Thursday to be returned by Tuesday .
Show and Tell	This term, I will continue to set aside time on a Friday during which children can show a special item they have brought from home.
Warm Weather	As the weather is warming up, it is important that children bring in a sun hat and a full bottle of water each day, as well as wearing sun cream. Reception children have constant access to the outdoor area, which receives a lot of sun in the afternoons.
Key dates	<p>Reading Together sessions will continue to happen every Friday.</p> <p>Friday 21st April – trip to the Unicorn Theatre to watch <i>The Three Billy Goats Gruff</i></p> <p>Week beginning 24th April- Science and Health Week. Children will be taking part in a Science-based activity every day this week.</p> <p>Monday 24th April- Science Week workshop</p> <p>Wednesday 26th April - Skip 2 Be Fit. All children will need to wear PE kit.</p> <p>Thursday 27th April- NEU strike. School will be closed.</p> <p>Tuesday 2nd May- NEU strike. School will be closed.</p> <p>Thursday 4th May- Kindness workshop for Mental Health Awareness Week</p> <p>Friday 5th May- Non-uniform day and coronation celebration. Children can wear red, white and blue.</p> <p>Wednesday 10th May- Cherry Class parents invited to eat lunch with the class. Arrive for 12:00pm.</p> <p>Wednesday 17th May- Braiswick Photography in to take class photos. Full school uniform to be worn (not PE kit).</p> <p>-History of Maths workshop with Hobgoblin Theatre</p> <p>Thursday 18th May- Trip to Surrey Docks Farm</p> <p>Friday 26th May- Last day of term.</p> <p>Additional trip to New Cross Fire Station- TBC</p>
How you can help	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please read daily with your child, even if it is only for five minutes, and comment in their reading record.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Please encourage your child to be as independent as possible with feeding and dressing themselves at home. - Please support your child with recognising and writing their name. - Please practise counting to and back from numbers within 20. - Please let me know if there is anything you are unsure of!
Summer Uniform	<p>This term, children can wear grey shorts or a red/green checked gingham dress as part of their summer uniform.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

If you have any further questions please contact me via email: **lpatt3.210@lgflmail.org**

Thank you

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