

Hollydale Primary School – Summer 2 2023

Year 3 – Cedar Class Newsletter

Welcome back to the Summer term. We hope you have had a restful half term break. We begin this new term with lots of exciting topics for the children to become immersed in.

Please ensure you add the dates detailed in this newsletter to your calendar. If you have any questions about your child's learning or any other aspect of Cedar Class life, please do not hesitate to see me before or after school or contact me via email (<u>luguz.210@lgflmail.org</u>) or ClassDojo https://teach.classdojo.com/.

Thank you for your support and co-operation. Regards, Ms Uguz

> Ms Uguz – Class Teacher Ms Ayres – Support Staff

Summer 2 2023 - This half term Year 3 will be learning about the following topics:

English	We will be continuing to use the text 'The Last Garden' by Rachel Imp. In a war-torn city, a little girl tends to the last garden. But everyone is leaving and soon the girl has to leave too. The garden is all alone now but soon the seeds scatter throughout the city and the roots take hold. Inspired by true events in Syria and war gardens around the world and throughout history, <i>The Last Garden</i> is a thoughtful, tender story of hope, touching on issues of conflict and migration. Children will be writing their own version of this narrative about a community overcoming adversity. We will then be moving onto using the text 'Our Tower' by Joseph Coelho and Richard Johnson through which children will be exploring word choices and phrases to create their own descriptions and poems. They will then move on to writing their own fantasy narrative inspired by the text.
Reading Records	The children will bring home a book from the class book corner or the school library every Friday. Please read and discuss the book with your child and support them with recording a comment about their reading in their reading records.
Maths	In Maths, pupils will continue with their fractions unit, beginning by looking at whole shapes and quantities and see that when a fraction is equivalent to a whole, the numerator and denominator are the same. We will then be moving on to exploring the measurement 'Time'. Children should be able to tell the time to the hour, half hour and quarter of an hour before moving on to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes and then the nearest minute. The children will recap the number of hours in a day and are introduced to language such as 'noon', 'midday', 'midnight'. We will also be learning about 2D and 3D shapes; looking at angles and different types of lines (horizontal, vertical, parallel and perpendicular). Finally, we will be measuring and comparing the mass, volume and capacity of objects. In addition to this, weekly 'Maths Fluency' sessions will ensure that the children's arithmetic skills are being developed to aid rapid recall of number facts. We will continue to practice and test their times tables using Times Table Rock Stars. Please ensure that your child with this at home as they have been given their individual login details. Please ensure that your child knows number bonds to one hundred and all times tables and related division facts (2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10) —it is vital that children know these in order to progress in Maths.
Science	 This term, we will continue with our topic Animals Including Humans where we will explore the importance of the right type and amount of nutrition, as well as the functions of skeletons and muscles. We will undertake a range of investigations to: Compare how plants and humans obtain food. Identify that humans and some other animals have skeletons for support, protection and movement, by focusing on skeleton types. Identify that humans and some other animals have muscles for movement by examining how muscles work.
Computing	This term we will be collecting, presenting and analysing data using a range of different

	software.
Topic (History/ Geography)	 This term we will be learning about Land Use (Geography unit). In this unit the children will learn about: Identify the symbols on and features of a sketch map. Identify important landmarks in the local area. Identify landmarks using a key. Identify ways we use land in the UK. List land uses in urban and rural areas. Draw a simple sketch map using major landmarks.
Art/Design & Technology	In Art, we will be exploring Ancient Egyptian scrolls. Children will be creating artworks inspired by the Egyptians including canopic pots, jewellery and masks. We will be working on improving our techniques in painting, drawing and model making.
PE	Cedar will have PE on a Monday afternoon with a specialist PE teacher. Please ensure that your child/children wear the following kit for PE: Black tracksuit bottoms or shorts, a white t-shirt or top and black trainers or plimsolls. Our focus this term will be ball skills (football). All children are expected to come to school dressed in their PE kit (and school jumper or cardigan) every Friday for this half term. We do not have a changing facility in operation in order to keep our school community as safe as possible.
Music	Cedar class will continue to have ukulele lessons from our specialist teacher Mr Thorpe every Monday afternoon.
RE	 This term we will be learning about: How do Jews celebrate their beliefs at home and in the Synagogue? In this unit children will be thinking about How and why do Jews celebrate Rosh Hashanah? Why and how do Jews celebrate Sukkot? How do Jews express their beliefs? Why do Jews celebrate Shabbat and how? What does the Torah mean for Jewish people? How do Jews express beliefs in a Synagogue?
Modern Languages	Spanish will be taught on Tuesday afternoons. This term, our unit is called Tell Me. The children will learn to say the days of the week, months and dates and how to count on up to 31. They will discuss birthdays, some key Spanish festivities and will be introduced to past and future tenses.
P.S.H.E. & Citizenship	This term our focus will be Changing Me. We will understand that in animals and humans lots of changes happen between conception and growing up.
RSE	 The school nurse will be leading a session covering: Differences between males and females The correct names for different body parts Additional details TBC will be communicated via a letter.
Homework	Each Friday your child will be assigned literacy and numeracy tasks. These must be returned the following Tuesday . There will be weekly literacy and numeracy tasks set that the children will be expected to complete. They should continue to learn their times tables , which will be tested on a regular basis and they should continue to practice these using Times Table Rock Stars, for which they have their own logins. Additional maths homework will be assigned on the Sumdogs website, for which each child also has their own username and password. Children should also learn spellings which will be sent home every week and tested the following week. The logins for TTRS, First News and Sumdog can be found in their homework books.
Additional Information	 Please ensure that your child attends school with a fresh water bottle every day and is wearing the correct school uniform. Our uniform encourages a sense of belonging and is compulsory for all children from Reception Class to Year 6. Summer uniform can be worn. Please see below Girls Uniform Summer Dresses - Red & White or Green & White Gingham

	Cardigan/ Sweatshirt/V neck sweater - Dark green
	 Footwear - Black Shoes
	Hijabs – White/Dark Green/Black only
	Boys Uniform
	Polo shirt – Dark green, bright red or white
	Cardigan/ Sweatshirt/V neck sweater - Dark green
	 Trousers/ shorts (knee length) – Grey
	Footwear - Black shoes
	WC 6.06.2023 – 09.06.2023 - Arts Week
	WC 12.06.2023 – 16.06.2023 – Bikeability for selected pupils
	Thursday 15 th June – 1 st Ceramics workshop at Deptford Green for selected pupils
	WC 19.06.2023 – 23.06.2023 – Assessment Week
	Wednesday 21 st June – Maths session at Deptford Green
	Thursday 22 nd June – Educational trip to Southwark Playhouse to watch a Windrush
Key Dates	performance.
	Friday 23 rd - Arts Exhibition for parents
	Thursday 29 th June 2 nd Ceramics workshop at Deptford Green for selected pupils
	Friday 30 th June – Art educational trip to Bold Tendencies
	Wednesday 5 th July – Spelling Bee competition
	Thursday 6 th July – Sports Day
	Friday 7 th July – Poetry recital assembly
	Thursday 13 th July – End of year reports sent home
	Friday 14 th July – Maths Timestables challenge
	Saturday 15 th July – Summer Fair
	Tuesday 18 th July – Exercise books sent home
	Thursday 20 th July – Summer concert
	Friday 21 st July – Last day of term, MUFTI day and 2pm finish