

Hollydale Primary School


Welcome back, we hope that you had an enjoyable holiday and are ready for all the exciting challenges this new term will offer! If you have any questions throughout this half term please do not hesitate to email me (Nthebe1.210@lgflmail.org) or ring the office and we can arrange a time to discuss any questions or concerns you may have. Alternatively, I can be contacted directly via Class Dojo. Please also keep an eye on the Hazel Class page of the Hollydale website as we will be posting updates there. This is particularly important if your child or children need to self-isolate as this page is updated with home learning tasks and useful websites/resources.

Please also ensure that your children are completing their weekly spellings and homework. This is crucial preparation for Year 6 this September. Please support them by ensuring that they practice using Mathletics, Times tables Rock Stars, Sumdog, Bug Club and Numbots (log in details are kept in your child's reading record).

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. Educational visits are now possible under current COVID- 19 guidance and we look forward to resuming these this half term. Further information will be sent in due course. Finally, please can I remind parents of the importance of social distancing at the school gates, in the interests of everyone's safety. Thank you for your continued support.

Summer 2 2021 - This half term Year 5 will be learning about the following topics:

English	In English the children will be exploring a variety of texts, including the texts 'The Strange Case of Origami Yoda' written by Tom Angleberger and the 'High Rise Mystery' by Sharna Jackson. We will be exploring different skills to help us produce writing outcomes, such as character descriptions, police reports, setting descriptions, newspaper articles, formal persuasive letters and extended narrative.
Reading Records	Children will have the opportunity to choose books from the school library each Friday . All children will be required to take their library book or classroom book home each night to read, and log comments into their Reading Record. Please read and discuss your child's book with them and ensure that it is returned each day in a school bag. The reading books will be changed for Hazel on Fridays. Rewards will be given to children for fantastic, in-depth comments. Your child will also be required to use Bug Club each week.
Spelling, punctuation and grammar	This term, the children will be having additional weekly grammar sessions in order to improve their understanding of the grammatical conventions of the English language. We will be looking specifically at grammatical conventions linked to our text types whilst keeping up our basic skills. The children will also have weekly spelling sessions where we will teach them explicit spelling rules, which will then be applied in the weekly spelling homework. Spelling tests of these words will take place every Friday .
Maths	In Maths the children will begin the term by looking at how to use angles to problem solve. They will use protractors to measure angles accurately. The children will be building on their learning by using their times tables and place value knowledge and known facts. They will continue to apply their knowledge and skills to a problem-solving context. Each child will revisit how to use the four operations and apply their knowledge to reasoning /problem-solving activities. They will continue to develop their mental maths knowledge of all their times tables (12x12). The children will be taught how to read, write and use pairs of coordinates. They will also multiply and divide by 1,000 to convert between kilometres and metres.
Science	In Science we will be learning about 'Forces. This half term children will be learning how to explain how forces of gravity work. They will also learn how to identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, that act between moving surfaces
RSE (Relationship and Sex Education)	RSE will be taught in discrete sessions with our school nurse, as well as part of our PSHE and Science curriculum. You will be advised about the content to be covered, prior to the sessions with the school nurse.
Computing	This term the children will be embedding their computing into the wider curriculum using hardware and software in different lessons throughout the term.
Topic	This half term the children will be focusing their learning on the historical topic 'Crime and Punishment'. Through this topic they will be able to develop their knowledge how crime has been punished during different time periods. They will also understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources and that different versions of past events may exist.
D.T. (Food, design and technology)	This term the children will be using the 'Climate Change' topic as an inspiration for their work. They will learn about food miles and their impact on our environment. The children will also have the opportunity to taste and evaluate different ingredients.
P.E.	For this half term the children will not be changing in school The children will have a P.E. lesson every Tuesday and Thursday . Please ensure that your child comes to school in their full PE kit and school jumper/cardigan on their allocated PE day. For this half term they will

	not be changing in school. The focus on PE will be passing and moving skills in invasion games.
Music	Children will take part in weekly Brass lessons on Thursday taught by our music specialists teachers Mr Mayhew and Mr Entwistle. The children will also be learning about the history of music and exploring the lives of accomplished composers.
R.E.	This term our topic will be 'Thankfulness' and we will be learning all about how different faith stories show thankfulness. The children will also be thinking about how they can show gratitude in their daily lives.
P.S.H.E. & Citizenship	This term our focus will be all about 'Health and Well-being. The children have the opportunity to explore their emotions, and share their feelings. They will also be able to think about the different ways that they have improve their emotional health.
Spanish	Spanish lessons will commence during the Autumn term.
Homework	Each Friday your child will be set homework that will need to be returned/ completed by the Tuesday of the following week (At the latest). Your child has also been given a termly homework sheet that they should work through each week. Children should continue to learn their times tables , which will be tested on a regular basis (They will have their own logins for Timetables Rockstar to support their learning). Additional maths homework will be assigned on the Mathletics website, for which each child has their own username and password. Children should need to learn and practice their spellings which will be sent home on Friday and tested the following week (Friday).
Key dates	<p>Monday 7th June 2021: Children return to school at 8.55am</p> <p>Monday 7th June 2021: Health and Well-being Week Begins</p> <p>Monday 7th June 2021: MyBNK Money Workshop</p> <p>Tuesday 8th June 2021: Skipping Challenge</p> <p>Wednesday 9th June 2021: Barclays Bank Coding Workshop</p> <p>Wednesday 9th June 2021: Year 5 Multi-skills Session</p> <p>Thursday 10th June 2021: Daily Mile Walk</p> <p>Friday 11th June 2021: Y5 Puberty Workshop</p> <p>Monday 14th June 2021: Art Week Begins</p> <p>Friday 18th June 2021: Autor Class Visit -David O'Doherty (Virtual)</p> <p>Friday 18th June 2021: Eye Heroes Workshop (Virtual)</p> <p>Monday 21st June 2021: MyBNK Money Workshop</p> <p>Monday 28th June: Assessment Week</p> <p>Monday 28th June: RSE lessons will be taking place</p> <p>Thursday 15th July: Sports Day- Sadly parents and carers won't be able to join us this year due to our COVID-19 protocols and risk assessment</p> <p>Friday 16th July: End of year reports will be sent home today</p> <p>Educational Visit: TBC</p> <p>Monday 19th July 2021: All exercise books will be sent home</p> <p>Tuesday 20th July 2021: Transition Day (Children will spend time in their new class)</p> <p>SUMMER HOLIDAY: Friday 23d July 2021, the last day of term ends at 2pm sharply (fees will be incurred for a late collection) - Wednesday 1st September 2021 (Please note that Wednesday 1st September 2021 is an INSET Day) Pupils return for Autumn 1: Thursday 2nd September</p> <p>Please ensure that your child attends school with a fresh water bottle every day and is wearing the correct summer uniform. Our uniform encourages a sense of belonging and is compulsory for all children from Reception Class to Year 6.</p>
	

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