

Holbeck Class Newsletter

AUTUMN 2



CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

Welcome back to a new half term! It has been lovely to see how well all of the children have settled into their new class/ year group. This half term our new topic will be 'Toys' and you can find all of the information about what we will be learning on our topic web attached.

We will begin our weekly baking sessions for ALL children this half term. Please send £3 cash contribution for this as soon as you are able. Thank you.

We will be heading out on two trips this half term! The whole school are going to the Pantomime at Mansfield Palace theatre on 6th Dec and Holbeck class will be visiting Perlethorpe for a Nativity walk on 11th Dec. The children will also take part in our F2&KS1 school Nativity play. More information about all of these things will be sent home in separate letters soon.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November

- **07 Nov:** Parent Consultation Evening (3:30pm-6:30pm).
- **08 Nov:** Parent Consultation Afternoon (1pm-3:30pm).
- **15 Nov:** Children in Need (details to follow).
- **21 Nov:** Parent Open Evening for 2025/26 Admissions (5pm).
- **29 Nov:** Christmas Fair (3:15pm onwards).

December

- **06 Dec:** Whole school trip to Mansfield Pantomime (1pm- collection time TBC).
- **10 Dec:** Nativity performance (2pm).
- **11 Dec:** Holbeck Perlethorpe Nativity walk trip (details to follow).
- **12 Dec:** Nativity performance (10am).
- **13 Dec:** Christmas jumper day & Christingle 1pm.
- **16 Dec:** Christmas dinner day (needs to be pre-ordered).
- **18 Dec:** F2&KS1 Christmas party (PM).
- **19 Dec:** Brass carols & hot chocolate (8:30am).
- **20 Dec:** Christmas sing-a-long (2pm).



REMINDERS

P.E. DAY IS FRIDAY. THIS HALF TERM IS DANCE AND CHILDREN NEED INDOOR KIT PLEASE.

Y1 SPELLINGS ARE TESTED ON THURSDAY. SEE TAPESTRY FOR THEIR WORDS. READING BOOKS ARE CHANGED ON FRIDAY.

- Please continue to check belongings are labelled, particularly coats/hats etc. as the weather gets colder.
- Year 1 children only may bring money (in a purse, wallet or envelope) to purchase snacks from kitchen at morning break.
- Now that we have our new site boundary fence, children will line up at the sign next to the wall when the bell goes each morning (next to where the fence was). Parents, please wait here until the door is opened at the end of the day, when you can head down to collect as usual.
- **Little's will now be given 'Rhino Words' to begin to learn to read, these will be tested each THURSDAY.**

OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

PHONICS

Little's: (Sounds) h, b, f, l, ff, ll, ss, s(/z/), all level 2 recap, j, v, w, x, y, z, zz, qu, ch, sh, th(unvoiced), th(voiced), ng.

(Tricky words) to, the, he, she, we, me, be.

Big's: (Sounds) ay, oy, ie, ea, a_e, i_e.

(Tricky words) could, should, would, want, oh, their, Mr, Mrs, love, your, people, looked.

ENGLISH

Little's: Form some letters correctly, say what they want to write and orally rehearse it, segment CVC words to write, blend CVC words to read, read all level 2 graphemes and tricky words.

Big's: Write for a range of purposes, consolidate basic punctuation (capital letters, finger spaces, full stops), writing in chronological order.

MATHS

Little's: Circles and triangles, numbers 1-5 & shapes with 4 sides.

Big's: Addition and subtraction (within 10) & geometry: shape.

