

# Welcome to Holly Class!



WHAT'S ON

Term:  
Autumn 1

Hello, everyone! Welcome to our first half term in Holly Class! This half term our topic is "Light and Dark". We will be exploring how light and shadows work in Science. In History we will be looking at how light appliances have changed over time. In work related-learning we will be helping save energy by turning off lights and electrical equipment when they are not being used in school and begin to understand how this can impact our wider environment.

## Maths

This half term we will be learning about place value and continue to improve our counting skills through Attention Autism style counting songs. We will also start to explore addition and subtraction, whilst also exploring a variety of shapes.

## English

This half term will be exploring the story "The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark" through a sensory story. We will then be reading some non-fiction related to light and Dark and explaining the differences between fiction and non-fiction texts.

## PSHE

Our topic this half term will be Relationships. We will be looking at families and friendships and how being kind can help keep these relationships healthy.

We will also be exploring different feelings and what to do if we feel angry, upset or scared.

## PE

This term we will focusing on agility. We will be working on our ball skills through throwing, catching and chasing. We will also be looking at some group games. We will continue with swimming and hope to gain some awards this term!

**RE:** Our RE focus will be around the use of light in religious festivals such as Diwali, Advent and Hanukkah. We will be exploring these through sensory and hands-on experiences.

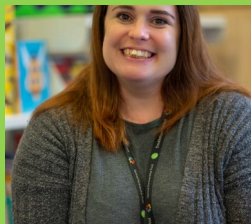
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# Cedar Class Team



**Max-Teacher**



**Sara-Jane –TA**



**Matilda -TA**



**Hannah -TA**



**Jess -Midday Supervisor**

## Class Fund

Thank you to those who contribute to our half termly class fund, this supports us in our Cooking/ Design and Technology lessons. We politely ask for a £5 voluntary contribution each half term. If you are able to contribute please do so through Parent Pay.

## Swimming

We will be swimming on Friday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has a swim kit, including a towel, clearly labelled with their names sent in for this. Please provide a swimming pad/incontinence swimwear if your child requires this.

## Outdoor Learning

We will be spending lots of time learning outside this term. Please ensure that your child is ready for all weathers! Please ensure they come to school with labelled waterproof coat and a change of clothes. Wellies would also be useful if possible.

## PE kit

PE is on Wednesday afternoons. Please ensure that your child has an appropriate PE kit, labelled with their name for our lessons. This should include a t-shirt, shorts/jogging bottoms and appropriate footwear. If possible, these should be left in school and will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed.

For updates, information and useful contacts, please check our school website and Facebook pages.

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