

Celebrating Holly class!



Term:

Autumn 2

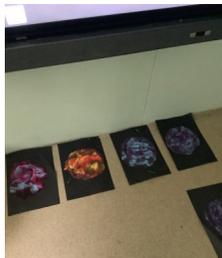
Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely half term break.

In Holly class, we are continuing to work on the topic of 'above and beyond'. So far, the children have enjoyed exploring lots of sensory activities linked to space and we would love to share with you some of the amazing work we did before half term.

In PSHE, we have been exploring different relationships. We have been working on joining our peers during different activities, building relationships. We have also been working on our independence when washing our hands.



In Creative Arts, we have been exploring painting using different textures and objects. We created our own planets!



We have been completing lots of TEACCH activities focusing on our own learning goals.

Exploring the world- We have enjoyed exploring space through a sensory story. The learners in Holly have engaged with lots of sensory activities to retell the story of "We're going on a rocket ride".

English - We have been focusing on developing our understanding of phonics. Holly have been learning about different environmental sounds. Each week we focus on a different category within environmental sounds and enjoy lots of sensory activities.

Reading- In Holly Class, we have been enjoying whole class reading sessions in the library and we have been looking at our own library books in the classroom alongside adults for support.

Maths — We have been focusing on developing our skills within number, geometry and data handling this term. We have been exploring activities involving numbers up to 10 and learning about patterns through lots of sensory activities. Holly have enjoyed exploring colours and sorting objects based on their colours, we love using the parachute!

Developing our skills

During Autumn term 1, we continued to develop our swimming skills. We go swimming once a week in Holly and have been working on our water confidence and splashing the water using our legs.

We have been working on our handwriting skills by focusing on different sensory fine motor skill activities. In Holly Class, we love messy fine motor activities!



Community involvement/British Values



We enjoyed our harvest celebration assemblies with Chris the Vicar, all of the learners added food to the donation box and we sang some lovely songs using Makaton signs.



WOW moments:

Holly class have all been taking part in our Attention Autism Sessions this term alongside their peers. We have welcomed our new peers into Holly and the learners have started to build trusting relationships. All of Holly's existing learners have settled back amazingly!

We have been building trusting relationships with all of the staff and our peers in Holly this term. We have enjoyed working alongside our peers during group activities.

Reminders!

Donations

Please remember to donate some money to Holly class if you can via parent pay. We use this to help us buy cooking and craft resources. It is always much appreciated, thank you!



Upcoming events!

Tuesday 11th November- Remembrance Day

Thursday 13th November - Children in Need, wear spots and cake sale.

W/B 10th November - Anti Bullying Week

Friday 14th November- School photos

Friday 5th December - Christmas Fayre

Thursday 11th December- Christmas Jumper day



The class team..

Holly class is made up of teacher; Emma, teaching assistants; Shannon, Rosa and Tia and midday supervisor Abbie. We also have Michelle covering Emma's PPA time in the week.

You may see our names in the diary from time to time!

Next steps in our learning...

This half term we will be continuing to work on becoming familiar with our routines in Holly class and expectations.

In Phonics, we will be focusing on instrumental sounds through lots of sensory activities and using lot of different instruments.

Holly will continue to work on their recognition of numbers and 2d shapes, through bucket time and TEACCH activities.

Don't forget...

PE - is on a Wednesday afternoon - please send in a PE kit or come to school in PE kit.

Swimming - is on Mondays, please ensure your child has a kit in school for this day.

Outdoor learning/break times—please ensure your child has a coat as the weather changes including waterproofs and wellington boots. We learn outside in all weathers!

Snacks- Please remember to provide your child with snacks daily. We have two snacks, not including lunch.

Home communication book - Please check these daily for any daily updates/reminders. Please sign the bottom of each page so we know these have been read by an adult.



Cooking with Holly Class

We enjoyed cooking our own cakes in the kitchen, we will be doing lots of cooking this term!

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