

April 2013

## Holt Class News

Here is our news from Holt Class for this half term. ☺

### Topics

We begin this term with two topics!

Our first topic has a **literacy** focus and is based around the children's author Julia Donaldson. She has many fantastic books that will influence, inspire and captivate the children's learning and writing. In literacy we will be focusing on story planning, storytelling and story writing; paying particular attention to choice of language, choice of characters and what we want our audience to gain from our stories.

Alongside Julia Donaldson the children will have an **art** based topic. They will be learning about the life of the famous artist Barbara Hepworth. The children will be looking into her history, study her art and create their own piece of art in the style of Barbara's work.

Now we are well and truly into spring the children will be growing their own plants in **science**. We will have some healthy plant growing competitions and learn about how to care for our plants and what will help our plants grow.

Our focus in **maths** will be the four core operations; addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. We will also learn more about sequencing and finding patterns in numbers; time and working out ways of solving word problems.

### **Helping your child at home**

Continuing to read with your child at home will contribute greatly to their learning in the classroom. This can be a range of reading material; from their school reading book – to picture books that have the potential for discussion during and after the book has been read.

If you have any questions about this half term please do not hesitate to ask.

*Miss Nixon*