



## Holt Class Autumn Term 2023 Newsletter



### Welcome to Year 2!

It has been a great first few days in Holt Class getting to know the children in Year 2. We have got a busy few weeks ahead of us and I am looking forward to starting our learning journey together.

**Attendance:** An attendance rate of 96% is the expectation for all children. We aim to reach the expected level this year.

**Curriculum:** The first topic we are doing this term is Our School. We will be finding out about where our school is in relation to the UK and within the local area. We will look at how schools have changed over the years and how we would like our school to be in the future. If anyone in your family attended Holt Community Primary School and has photos or memories to share that would be fantastic.

In maths we will be concentrating on place value, addition and subtraction.

Our English will be linked to our topic with a strong emphasis on letter formation, phonics and forming sentences.

**Reading:** Your child has been given a home reading book and their yellow reading record.

Please try to find 10-15 minutes each day for your child to read to you, however children have off days and can be tired after a busy day at school so please don't turn it into a battle. Reading to your child on the days where it is hard work for them is fine and let them read it the next day or take it in turns to read a sentence each. Don't feel you need to have to be in a hurry to return the colour coded book so feel free to read it more than once, fluency and enjoyment are the key to success! Your child will also be getting a book from the school library which they have chosen themselves. This is a book for them to enjoy looking through at home and they can change it on a Monday for a new one, so please bring them back to school on that day.

**Spellings:** Each week we will be focusing on a different sound, spelling rule or list of tricky spellings. A spelling list will go home each Friday and those spellings will be tested in class the following Friday. We try to make our spelling sessions fun and enjoyable for the children. Please encourage and help your child practise their spellings, little and often. This can be fun! You could make their spelling words out of playdough, type them on the tablet/computer or write them out in felt tip pens or rainbow colours. Spellings will start in a couple of weeks time.

P.E: We will be doing PE on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Your child needs to wear their PE kit to school on these days. Our PE kit is navy /black shorts, white T - shirt and trainers. A navy/ black tracksuit can be worn on colder days. Please name all uniform and PE kit.

Be Wild! We will be aiming to get out into the wildlife area at least once a week. As the weather begins to get worse please send your child with an old, named pair of shoes or wellies to keep at school.

Google Classroom: We will be using Google Classroom and I will often post announcements, photos and activities on there. Please help your child check this at home regularly. If you need help to access Google Classroom, please ask. Here is a handy timetable to help remind your child of what they need on each day. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please do come and see me at the start/end of the school day or send an email to [clongworth8nrr@nsix.org.uk](mailto:clongworth8nrr@nsix.org.uk)

Mrs Carolyn Longworth

### Handy timetable!

	Event	What to bring
Monday	Change library book	Library book Reading record and reading level book
Tuesday	PE	Wear PE kit Reading record and reading level book
Wednesday		Reading record and reading level book
Thursday	PE	Wear PE kit Reading record and reading level book
Friday	Spelling test New spellings given	Reading record and reading level book

Wellies/outdoor shoes kept at school for outdoor activities.