



HOLLY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

RECEPTION CLASS SPRING TERM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! After a very happy and successful Autumn Term where the children got to know one another and settled into their new routines, we look forward to the Spring Term.

We will continue our Phonics learning by introducing new phonemes each day during our daily Phonics sessions. We will be teaching your children digraphs (two letters that make one sound) and trigraphs (three letters that make one sound) and will be writing simple sentences containing these.

As before, we will be allocating Bug Club books every week. It is essential that your child spends 10 minutes every day reading these books. Your children can also choose story books to take home every Monday and Friday. We would encourage you to share these books with your children.

We will be starting outdoor PE sessions very soon and will let you know in advance. Once they start they will be on a Tuesday afternoon. Your child will need to come to school dressed in their PE kits, a green tracksuit, white shirt and white trainers. Please remember to dress your child appropriately for the weather every day.

This half term we will be reading stories linked to food and healthy eating, starting with 'The Tiger Who Came To Tea.' The children will have the opportunity to visit a real café to do some research. After the visit the children will be running their very own Palm Class Healthy Eating Café- more information about this will follow. We will spend time learning about healthy lifestyles and the importance of brushing their teeth.

Some reminders

- Please bring your child to school on time so they start the day with their friends in a relaxed way. They need to be at the side gate at **8.50 am** and the school **gate closes at 8.55 am**
- If your child is late please do not bring your child to the classroom door, you must sign your child in at the office.
- Please make sure that you collect your child on time.
- If someone that we do not know is going to be collecting your child, it is very important that you let us know.
- Please make sure your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name, including snack boxes, water bottles and items of clothing.
- Snack Times take place every afternoon at 1.30pm. Children may bring a small, healthy snack of fresh fruit (no grapes) or vegetables or a plain cracker or piece of bread. We have a healthy snack policy, so nuts, chocolate, biscuits, dried fruit or crisps are allowed.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to us at the end of the day.

Best wishes,

The Reception Team