

# HOLLY PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

## RECEPTION CLASS AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Palm Class! We are happy to say that all the children are clearly enjoying being in Reception and they are becoming increasingly familiar with many of their new routines. Now that the children have settled we have been introducing carpet sessions to teach your children a range of aspects from the curriculum.

We have begun to teach your children phonics and we will be sending home Bug Club Log in details shortly. Once you have your child's Bug Club details you will be able to support your children with their phonics skills. Over the next few weeks we will also focus on subitising (recognising small amounts without counting) and recognising numbers and quantities to five. While at home you may like to encourage your children to count objects and spot different numbers in the environment.

We will let you know when we will be starting P.E. sessions sometime after half term. From this time onwards on their PE day, your children will need to come to school in their labelled green tracksuit, white t-shirt and white trainers. To avoid upset and confusion please write your child's name on all their clothing, book bags, lunch boxes, water bottles, snack pots and P.E. bag.

We would really appreciate donations of boxes of tissues as we are heading into the winter season. We also need you to donate junk modelling such as cardboard boxes and other recyclable materials for the cutting and sticking table. **(We can't accept boxes that may have contained eggs, nuts or traces of nuts) (No toilet rolls)**

### Some reminders

- Your child is welcome to bring in a healthy snack - Fresh fruit, vegetables, plain unflavoured crackers/rice cakes or half a plain bagel. Please remember we are **not allowed nuts or grapes** at the school. Due to an allergy in class **bananas** will not be allowed for the time being.
- Children can bring in named bottles of water to have during the day but we don't allow them to bring in sweet drinks, juice.
- Please ensure your child brings their book bag into school every day.
- Please make sure that you drop off and collect your child on time. The school day begins at 8.55am and ends at 3.30pm. The school gates will be open from 8.50am and will close at 8.55am.
- If your child is going to be absent, please contact the office in the morning and let them know.
- If someone that we do not know is going to be collecting your child, it is very important that you let us know.
- Please encourage your child to put on and take off their coats independently, including zips. Velcro shoes only as laces are a trip hazard.

Best wishes,

Mrs Walton, Mrs Yiannaki, Mrs Osbourne, Miss Klanga, Miss Rush