



Horizon's Newsletter



Courtesy, Kindness, Respect

Holybrook
Primary School

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English

Class 1- This term, Class 1 will read *Malala's Magic Pencil* to build their reading skills through inference, recall and book review, while in writing they will practise joining ideas with *and*, sequencing their thoughts and editing their work as they create imaginative sentences about a magic pencil and invent their own magical objects.

Class 2- This term, Class 2 will be exploring the theme of captive animals through reading *The life of the butterfly lion*. Through this Topic children will focus on independent reading, use of effective conjunctions, adjectives and adverbs to express captivity. We will also be beginning to write in paragraphs while creating our own explanation texts

Class 3- This term, Class 2 will explore *Mountains of the World* as they learn to retrieve information from non-fiction texts and write their own non-chronological reports using clear organisation, headings and accurate grammar.



Maths

Class 1- This half term, Class 1 will be learning early place value skills, including counting, representing, comparing and ordering numbers, and using a number line.

Class 2- This term, in Class 2 children will be extending their skills using practical measuring tools to measure in units such as centimetres, millimetres and metres, which will help them confidently measure and calculate perimeters of shapes.

Class 3- This term, children will develop their multiplication and division skills by exploring factor pairs, using efficient written methods, and learning to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1-digit numbers, as well as solving correspondence problems using related facts.

Holybrook Curriculum

Class 1- This term, Class 1 will learn about Bradford's past by finding out who Samuel Lister was, exploring our local area through map work, and designing and weaving their own placemats to understand more about how things were made in the past.

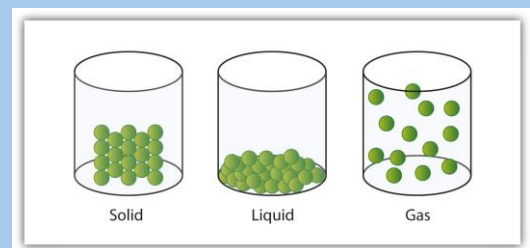


Class 2 & 3- This half term, the children will be learning about how mountains are formed, explore famous mountains like Mount Everest, use maps, symbols and grid references to investigate whether Yorkshire has mountains and how we identify their key physical features.

Science

Class 1- This term, Class 1 will learn about plants by exploring how they grow from seeds and bulbs, what they need to stay healthy, and how to identify different plants, while keeping their own plant diary to observe changes over time.

Class 2 & 3- This term, Class 1 will learn about solids, liquids and gases, discovering how particles behave and change while developing their skills in predicting, observing and measuring.



PSHE

Class 2 & 3 - This term in PSHE, the children are learning about how to stay safe while gaming and keeping safe in their everyday lives. They will explore what safe and sensible choices look like when playing online games, including protecting personal information, being kind and respectful to others, and knowing what to do if something makes them feel uncomfortable or worried. The children will also learn about trusted adults they can talk to and how to make safe decisions to help keep themselves and others safe.

Religious Education

Class 2 & 3- This term in RE, Class 3 are learning about the importance of sharing food in both Christian and Sikh worship. They will explore how sharing a meal is a special way of showing community, kindness and equality, for example through the Christian celebration of the Eucharist and the Sikh tradition of Langar at the Gurdwara. The children will also be learning about Easter, focusing on the events of Holy Week and understanding how Jesus shared the Last Supper with his disciples, why this meal was important, and how it is remembered by Christians today.

Packed lunches

We have a child in school with a severe nut allergy, which means even the presence of nuts nearby can pose a serious health risk. Please be extra vigilant when preparing packed lunches and avoid sending in any items that contain nuts or nut products. Your support helps us keep all children safe and well.

A snapshot of our learning last term

The children had a fantastic World War II Experience Day, stepping back in time to discover what life was really like during the war. They explored real and replica WW2 memorabilia, handled fascinating artefacts and asked thoughtful questions about how people lived. The class learned about the Blitz, rationing and daily challenges on the home front, even recreating their own air-raid shelters. These immersive activities helped them develop a deeper understanding of how wartime events affected families and communities across Britain.

