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The Holt Primary School

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Welcome to the Spring term!

I warmly wish you happiness and good health for 2026 and hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas holiday. Many thanks for your kind Christmas gifts. It was so lovely and thoughtful and very much appreciated.

Welcome to the Spring Term and let's hope we can all have a healthy and successful 2026 building on the wonderful learning already started in the Autumn. Although the last topic was extremely popular, I have no doubt that your child will love our next sequence of learning. It promises to involve lots of real life issues that will get your child thinking about how to look after our planet. I am already thinking about the whole class trip for the Summer so look out for a parent survey related to this.

Fragile Earth Topic

This topic will give the children an opportunity take a deep breath, and dive into the beautiful wilderness beneath the waves of our beautiful planet. They will explore how the human race is destroying the earth in which we will and they will develop a passion for change. They will learn that working together can make a difference and they will work as a team to discuss ways in which our school can begin this change. Our fragile earth will provide the inspiration for thought provoking writing and persuasive letters. As part of this topic, your child will also gain knowledge of volcanoes, earthquakes, mountains and rivers. They will understand some of the creatures of our world and how to classify them as well as being able to explain the water cycle. The ocean will be an important part of our Art work and recycling will be the inspiration for our DT project.

Reading For Pleasure

Reading for pleasure continues to be the most important thing that you do at home with your child. Please continue to talk to me or email me if your child's reading habits change or you just want some advice. Below are some good websites to support with reading at home:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

<https://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/>

<https://www.beanstalkcharity.org.uk/Pages/Category/book-of-the-month>



This book is a wonderful celebration of poetry linked to the environment!

Both The Book Trust and Love Reading 4 kids have previews of brand new books coming out this year. Why not have a look!

Class routines/Reminders

Times Tables Rock Stars –continue to do this as much as possible. It remains a weekly KS2 homework requirement for all pupils so please continue to ensure that your child is in a regular routine. I cannot stress enough just how important learning times tables is and how crucial it is to a child's mathematical development. We continue to work on x 3 x4 and will be learning x 8 very soon!

Reading Books: continue to change books regularly when required. You or your child can fill in the reading record so I can easily monitor home reading.

PE day: Our PE days will continue to be on **Wednesday and Thursday**. (Please remember that long hair needs to be tied back and children are required to come in PE kit on that day. Trainers and warm PE clothing will be required as Synergy may go outside in all weathers.

Homework information

It has been fantastic to witness the progress already made with our Fluency. This is because you have worked hard to ensure the texts sent home are worked on with your children. Even 5 minutes a day can make a huge difference! These weekly texts will continue to come home on a **Monday** and your child will need to bring them back on a **Friday**. Any support you can give with this will help to foster a love of reading aloud. TT Rock stars is also a requirement for homework. Please continue to prioritise reading and times tables. I will also be setting our termly project very soon so look out for that too! Fluffy Friday continues to be a success so please remember that your child needs to bring a **book** to share **every Friday**. Can I also politely remind you that your child may bring only **one small fluffy item**. Thank you to everyone who has taken home the reading scrap book so far. This has been a huge success with the children who have enjoyed it so far. This is an optional homework task that the children can work on at their leisure with no pressure. It is already doing its job of promoting the love of books at home.

Useful Websites

I think most of you have contacted me now via the year 3 address. Please use this rather than the enquiries website as this message will then come directly to me. Please also remember that any messages concerned with pick up arrangements need to go to the enquiries website as I may not always pick these up in time.

Year3@holt.lincs.sch.uk

Other useful websites to try linked to our topic are:

<https://www.planetsforkids.org/planet-earth.html>

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/river/>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/geography/general-geography/ocean-facts/>



I would like to personally thank you all for the wonderful support you give to your children with their learning and for the support you give to me. I whole heartedly believe that the partnership we continue to build helps the children to flourish and make progress. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions through the term, however small they may seem. I am always at the other end of a phone or an email and I will endeavour to get back to you as soon as I can. I am looking forward to the term ahead and to celebrating the wonderful achievements of Year 3.

Mrs S. Thursby.



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- Be Respectful
- Be Safe
- Be You

