



Holly 1 Curriculum Newsletter - Autumn 2



Welcome back to Bearwood after our half term break. We hope that you had a fantastic, fun filled week off and that the children are keen to get started on their new learning. This newsletter is to let you know about all of the exciting things that the children will be learning in Holly 1 over the next half term.

Learning Journey!

At Bearwood we are developing our curriculum and will be focusing on a Learning Journey each half term. This term our question is "What is magic?" We will be covering the following subjects through this topic:

Music

We will be learning a range of songs which will be performed at our Christmas Nativity. The songs will also have some fun actions or dances to help us remember them.

Art

Within art we will be using a range of skills to create different art works for our topic. We will be working on our painting and drawing skills when producing our artwork.

Science

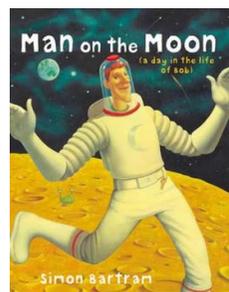
To link to the changing cold weather, we will be learning about the different seasons. We will be learning about the 4 seasons and how they are different.



English

This half term we are studying the book 'Man on the Moon'. We will be concentrating on making predictions about characters and deepening our understanding of how characters feel at different points in the story. We are also focusing on writing simple sentences by using phonic sounds.

We will also learn a different story off by heart with fun actions.



"Children have the right to an education that should develop each child's personality, talents and abilities to the fullest."

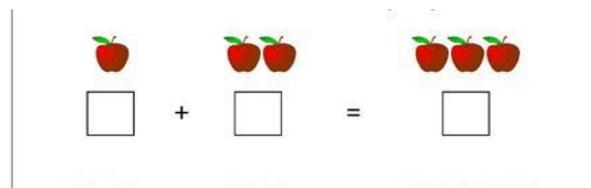
Article 29—United Nations Conventions on the Rights of the Child

MARVELLOUS ME!

Thank you to everyone who has been using Marvellous Me. We will continue to send you updates on your children's learning and achievements. If you have any problems logging in, please don't hesitate to ask for help.

Maths

In maths we will be learning to count on and back up to 100. We will also start practising adding and subtracting. We will continue use our 100 squares to help us.



Reading

Children who enjoy reading regularly thrive in their learning and therefore children are asked to read with an adult for at least 10 minutes everyday to rehearse this skill and develop a love of reading. This could be school books, as well as own reading books.

Please sign your child's reading record **daily** and help your child to remember to bring them everyday.

We really value your comments.



PE

Our PE days are **Wednesday** & **Thursday**, however, some weeks this may be different, so please ensure your child has their full PE kit in school every day. Please also ensure that their PE kit is **fully named**.

Children who have recently had their ears pierced should cover them with tape, **but once they have healed they must not wear earrings for any PE lessons**.

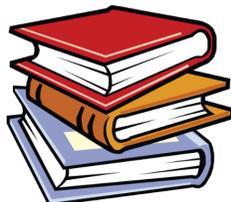
Holly 1 Class Charter

Each year the children work collaboratively to agree how they will support each other within the classroom. In class we have discussed that the children all have the right to an education (as set out in the UNCRC—Article 29) and the children chose a number of responsibilities that they and the members of staff in the class need to do in order to allow all children their right to learn.

We have the right to learn!

We need to:

- Look after the things in our classroom.
- Look after each other.
- Listen when other people are talking.
- Try our best in everything we do.



Computing

In Computing we will continue to learn basic skills and learn how to record our own set of instructions.

PSHE

The children will be following the PSHE programme of study, Jigsaw. This half term the focus is 'Celebrating Difference', which again fits nicely with our Learning Journey. This unit focusses on understanding their place in the class, school and global community.

Curriculum Enrichment

From paint and drawing in Art to drama and role play in our English lessons, we will ensure that a variety of creative opportunities are available for the children to access.

Home Learning

Home learning will draw on basic skills and we will never send home anything that we haven't covered in class. Each half term, mini home learning projects will also be set that are linked to our learning journeys. Home learning is sent home on a **Friday** and should be completed and brought back to school on a **Wednesday**.

New spellings are also sent home on a **Friday** ready for our weekly spelling tests on a **Wednesday**.

Please remember, if your child is struggling with home learning please come and see me.

If you would like to come in and talk about any of our learning this term then please do not hesitate to come and speak to me.

Mr Dudley