

Holly Class Autumn 1 Newsletter 2026-2027



Holly Class Staff



Nadine



Chloe



Harriet



Tammy



Elizabeth



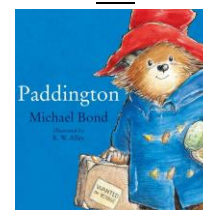
Sam

Welcome back, Holly Class!

We hope you have all had a wonderful and restful summer holiday. We are so excited to welcome the children back and can't wait to see what this new term has to offer.

We are delighted to welcome some new faces to our Holly Class team. Nadine, Chloe and Tammy are staying with us, while Elizabeth, Harriet and Sam have joined the class and are very excited to get to know the children. We are sadly saying goodbye to Sadie, who has moved on to a new adventure, but we know she won't be able to stay away for too long and will most certainly be popping in to see the children!

This term our book
is...



As we begin our new term, one of our main priorities will be helping the children settle back into their familiar routines and feel happy, safe and ready to learn. Returning after the summer holidays can be a big adjustment for some of our children. We will take things at their pace, providing plenty of reassurance, consistency and support as they become familiar with the expectations of school life again.

This term, we will continue to place communication at the heart of everything we do. We will create lots of opportunities for the children to communicate their wants, needs, choices and feelings through their individual communication methods. We will celebrate every attempt to communicate and encourage the children to become confident in expressing themselves.

We have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned across the curriculum. In numeracy, we will begin by exploring numbers, using practical, sensory and play-based activities to develop our understanding. We are particularly excited to introduce history as a new subject for Holly Class this term. We will begin to explore the idea of the past and present through meaningful, sensory experiences, stories, objects and people. Our history learning will give the children opportunities to discover new things, make connections and develop an understanding of the world around them in ways that are accessible and enjoyable for everyone.

In Literacy, sensory stories will continue to be an important part of our learning, and this term our story will be Paddington Bear. We will bring Paddington's adventures to life through sensory experiences, music, objects and interactive activities as we follow Paddington on his journey to join the Brown family.

We will also continue to enjoy our football sessions with Sam, giving the children opportunities to develop their physical skills. Alongside this, we are looking forward to our regular visits to the Sensory Room, 4D Room and Library, each providing wonderful opportunities for the children to explore, relax, engage and experience something different.

Whole School Diary Dates

Tuesday 15th September 2026	NHS Flu vaccinations for pupils with Parental/Carer consent
Tuesday 13 th October	Parent's Evening
Friday 23rd October 2026	End of Term
Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October 2026	Half Term
Monday 2nd November 2026	Start of Term

Food and Nutrition – Please log into your ParentPay account where a payment item has been raised. We would appreciate it if you could make a voluntary contribution.

Key Class information

Please send in any snacks/ drinks for your child.

Monday	Sensory story
Tuesday	Cookery
Wednesday	4D room
Thursday	Library
Friday	Football

Please ensure you send in clothing and footwear suitable for above activities.

Keeping in touch

Please continue to use the home school book or Tapestry to inform us of any important information relating to your child.

We will check it every day but please log into Tapestry for your daily class update.

Don't forget to add any home experiences to Tapestry as this provides us with a valuable link to home.

Any absence or to notify us of a medical appointment or for general enquiries please email:

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