



Parent Curriculum Overview

Autumn Term 2 2021 Beech Class

English

The children will start the second half term by reading *Wanted: The Perfect Pet*. They will think about how we can describe the perfect pet using expanded noun phrases.

We will also learn about Penguins. The children will look at the non-fiction features and write sentences using co-ordination.

The children will continue to be involved in daily Read Write Inc and regular handwriting activities. Reading continues to be a high priority. We ask you to support this by reading regularly at home and making comments in the home school link book.

Mathematics

We will spend most of the second part of the Autumn Term learning about addition and subtraction. The children will be learning to add and subtract 3 single digit numbers, 2 digit numbers and tens and two 2 digit numbers. The children will use concrete resources, pictorial representations and then move on to writing their own number sentences.

After addition and subtraction, we will be learning about money and will begin to think about multiplication and division. The children will be involved in a variety of practical learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom.

PSHE

Our PSHE is taught using the Jigsaw scheme. This half term we will be thinking about 'Celebrating Differences'. We will be talking about and exploring things that are similar and different about one another and we will also be thinking about bullying; what it is and what to do about it.

Geography

Our geography topic for this half term is 'Our Wonderful World'. The children will be immersed in learning about the 7 continents of the world and the 5 oceans. By the end of the unit they will be able to name and locate them. The children will have the opportunity to use maps and atlases.

Computing

This term our computing topic is 'Word Processing'. The children will be learning to open a word document, type a simple sentence and begin to touch type, change the font, change the colour and add a picture. We will continue to emphasise the importance of staying safe online.

Art

In Art this term, we will be learning about painting. The children will look at the work of the Dutch artist, Vincent Van Gogh, and have a go at recreating his famous oil painting "Starry Night". We will also be working on mixing appropriate colours and patterns with our brushes.

Music

Our music lessons this half term is focused on music from South Africa. Using the Charanga scheme, we will be learning a song called "Hands, Feet, Heart" and using percussion instruments to tap out simple rhythms during the instrumental parts of the songs!

Science

Our science focus this term will be 'everyday materials'. The children will find out how the shapes of solid objects can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching and they will compare the suitability of a variety of everyday materials for different purposes.

PE & Wild Tribe

PE is on a Wednesday and a Thursday and Wild Tribe is on a Monday. In PE we will be focusing on Gymnastics and using the equipment to create pathways.

Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size. Please send your child to school with appropriate clothing for Wild Tribe. We like to get outside even when it is raining.

RE

Our RE learning focuses around the question "Why Does Christmas Matter to Christians?". We will be learning about the story of Jesus' birth and creating questions to ask to local church leaders so that we can find out what Christians believe happened at Christmas time and why it is so important to them. We will then be thinking about what we can be thankful for in the lead up to Christmas.

Information

- The staff in Beech Class are: Mrs John, Mrs Carkett, Mrs Herbert, Mrs Ward and Miss Holder. Mrs John teaches Beech Class on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Mrs Carkett on a Thursday and Friday. Miss Holder will teach Beech Class on a Thursday morning.
- PE kits need to be in school every day. PE kits should be named. Please check that your child's PE shoes fit and they have a complete kit in readiness for sports day.
- Wild Tribe is on a Monday afternoon. Please send your child to school with a long sleeved top and long trousers. Weather appropriate clothing will also be needed and old trainers or wellies.
- Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day.
- Please read with your child at least 4 times each week.
- Theatre trip Wednesday 8th December 2021