



Bournebrook

Church of England Primary School

Beech Class – Autumn 1 Newsletter 2023

What's happening in Beech Class this Half Term?

Maths	<p>This half term, children in Beech will follow the year 4 White Rose Maths programme of study and will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place value.• Addition and subtraction. <p>Children will be expected to know all times tables up to 12 x 12 and we will practise these in class.</p>
English	<p>Our class reading book this half term is Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo. Most of our writing will be based around this and will cover a range of genres. Reading and comprehension will be taught through this text as well as through discreet, formal comprehension tasks. Spoken language will be developed through discussion, questioning, answering and debating. Children in Beech class will also be learning spellings in line with National Curriculum requirements.</p>
History/ Geography	<p>As part of our Wellies and waves topic, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name some different coastlines in the UK – Holderness, Jurassic.• Know what coastal erosion is.• Know who lives by/uses the coast and the impact they may have.• Know what an arch/cave/stack/blowhole is.• Know key OS map symbols.• Know the difference between physical/political/OS maps.• Know names for different parts of a river.• Consider the conflict between human activity and the physical environment.• Make a range of field sketches and maps.• Record findings from fieldwork.
Science	<p>In Science, we will be investigating electricity, during which we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Know that electricity can be dangerous and what precautions are needed to work safely with it.• Know where electricity comes from.• Know the basic parts of a circuit - cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.• Know that a circuit needs to be complete in order for it to work.• Know what a conductor and insulator are.• Know how to represent a circuit in a diagram.• Know that a higher voltage will affect brightness/volume.• Know who Michael Faraday was and what he did.

Computing	<p>Our e-safety theme covers the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss: everyone has the right to be safe and happy online and know they are responsible for reporting what upsets them. • Understand that some Internet material (eg games) is age related and the implication of ignoring such guidance. • Create their own profile and consider what is safe and not safe to share. • Know that they can use online tools to collaborate and communicate with others. • Know how to deal with unpleasant communications. • Understand you should only befriend people you know in real life. • Understand the implications of appropriate online behaviour and that bullying is unacceptable. • Know when to report an incident.
Art/French	<p>In Art this half term, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognise, explore (and discuss) images of work of European artists: Van Gogh, and Matisse. • Know the terms: landscape, perspective, light and shade, tonal values, composition, foreground, background. • Know the general characteristics of the Impressionists: (specifically the effects of light and the illusion of movement). • Know how to take photographs using 'framing techniques' to create an effective composition. • Know and use one point perspective. • Know how to use a wider variety of media: pencil, charcoal, pastel (oil and watercolour), ink, watercolour paint and acrylic. <p>In French, we will learn:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greetings and our name. • Numbers up to 20 and our age. • Colours.
RE/PSHE	<p>In RE with Mrs Perry, children will explore the key question: Why do some people believe that God exists?</p> <p>Using the Jigsaw programme and through the theme of being me in my world, we will cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Getting to know each other. • Our nightmare school. • Our dream school. • Rewards and consequences. • Our learning charter. • Owning our learning charter.

Home Learning/ Learning Opportunities

English and Maths homework is set every Tuesday via Microsoft Teams and is due in the following Sunday. Spellings are also set weekly and tested the following Monday. Children are asked to read every day at home, keeping a note of this via our new reading app.

Useful times tables websites:

- <https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check>
- <https://www.timestables.co.uk/>
- <https://play.ttrockstars.com>
- Purple Mash – via we-learn login (in resources).
- <http://www.primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/revision/Science/electricity.htm>
- <https://www.switchedonkids.org.uk/>
- <https://sciencewiz.com/portals/electricity/>
- <https://kids.kiddle.co/Coast>

- <https://superbrainybeans.com/geography/coasts/>

If your child has lost their login details, please contact the office to have it reset.

Dates to Remember

Beech class will have PE all afternoon on a Friday.

Tuesday 24th October/Thursday 26th October – Parents' evening.

Monday 30th October – start of half term.