



## Beech Class Newsletter Spring 2025

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Welcome back after the Christmas holidays. We hope you have had a lovely Christmas and New Year. The children have already been busy with our new topics and have had an enjoyable first few days back. Please remember to check our class page on the website for updates on what we are doing!

Please help by ensuring that your child is lined up outside the classroom at 8.45am promptly and that PE kits are in school ready for PE days. See below for further details. **PE will be on Wednesday and Friday.** Please send suitable kit for indoor and outdoor PE.

### Homework

Thank you to all those who put effort in to support your child's learning- it does make a difference! Homework is handed out on a **Friday** and due in the following Friday.

### Reading

Please use the time children are reading with you to ask them questions about the text- this helps their understanding and is so important. Children are expected to read every day for 10 minutes and have this recorded in their reading record. Please make sure it is your child's library book or reading book that is recorded in their reading record.

Reading books and library books are **changed every Friday**.

Children continue to read both independently and in whole class or small groups. We use Reading VIPERS in our guided reading lessons to help us answer a variety of comprehension questions.

### Times tables

This term we are starting a new Times Tables scheme. The children should be familiar with 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10 times tables and we are continuing to work on the 4 and 8 times tables. **Please support your child by practicing their Time Tables with them.**

### Spellings

Spellings will be given out each **Friday**. Children can use spelling shed to practice spellings at home. They will have a weekly spelling test the following **Friday**.

### Our topics

#### Spring

**Science** - Rocks, Fossils and Soils

**Computing** - Desktop publishing

**History** - Ancient Egypt

**Geography**- Rivers

**Art**- Drawing (King Tut's Portraits)

**RE** - How do people express spirituality?

**PE** - Real PE

**PSHE** - Safety and the changing body -  
Life changes

### Maths

This term we will be looking at:

- Multiplication and division
- Length and Perimeter
- Mass and Capacity
- Fractions
- Times Tables

### English

In our English lessons we will be reading *George's Marvellous Medicine* and write character descriptions focusing on Grandma. Then we will be reading *My Strong Mind* and writing some in depth instructions on how to look after our mental health.

### **Dates for your diary:**

20.01.25	Author visit James Campbell
W/B 27.01.25	National story telling week
11.02.25	Safer Internet Day
11.02.25	NSPCC online safety event at PHGS for parents and carers
17-21.02.25	Half Term
05.03.25	Parent Consultation afternoon and evening
07.03.25	World Book Day
14.03.25	Red Nose Day
03.04.25	Friends of Ashfield Easter Disco (tbc)

Potential trip to the Synagogue and or Stump Cross Caverns to be organised