

Beech Spring 2 News Letter



Topics for this half term include:
Scientists and Inventors

Language:

During this half term children will continue to learn how to incorporate time conjunctions into their written work to link ideas as well as focusing on direct speech. They will identify what a biography is and learn to write one about Anna Atkins a famous Botanist. They will also learn to identify features of a newspaper report with a view to creating their own. Children will also be sent home the spelling patterns taught during this half term on a fortnightly basis for year three.

Numeracy

We will focus on money and statistics. Children will learn to add and subtract amounts of money to give change, using both £ and p in practical contexts. They will understand that money can be represented in different ways but still have the same value. They will continue to practise their times tables on a regular basis through TT Rock stars. Children build on their understanding of pictograms from Year 2. Through the unit of statistics they will continue to read and interpret information in order to answer questions about the data from pictograms, bar charts and tables.

Art & Design Technology: This will link to our English work on the book *The Bluest of Blues*.

Computing: All children will learn to continue to develop their typing skills practising their times tables.

Music: will be supplied by County Music, year three children will be taught the fife and progress to the flute this year.

PHSE: The theme this term is 'Good to be Me'. This theme links to our English work with the Power of Reading within our book *The Bluest of Blues*. Children will be able to recognise their worth as individuals, by identifying positive things about themselves and their achievements, seeing their mistakes, making amends and setting personal goals;

PE: In this term's unit Year 3 children will do swimming on a weekly basis. They will also learn to work collaboratively together to develop pace and accurate catching and batting skills for tennis.

RE: The theme for this half term is Salvation. This unit is based on learning about 'Salvation'. By the end of this topic children will be able to order the Creation and fall, Incarnation, Gospel and Salvation within a timeline of the Bible's big story. They will be able to write texts about the entry into Jerusalem and the death and resurrection of Jesus recognising the importance of Jesus' journey to save mankind.

Science: Yr3 will focus on the topic of Plants. The children will work scientifically and collaboratively to investigate what plants need to grow well, and will present their findings to their classmates. Furthermore, they will have chance to predict what will happen in an exciting investigation into the transportation of water within plants. They will work in a hands-on way to identify the parts of a flower, and will explore the different stages of the life cycle of a flowering plant.

Notices:

Can you please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit in school and that they take out their earrings or have plasters to cover them?

There will be no swimming this half-term. Swimming will start again on 22nd April, please make sure that your child has their swimming kit in school.

Reading journals will be checked on Thursdays. Please ensure that they are in school so that they can be checked, even if their book does not need to be changed. Children will need to write in their journals about the book they are reading i.e. what it is about, what they are enjoying about the story or not enjoying.

If Children would like Tuck at break-time the cost is 20p a day, please bring a pound in on Mondays for the week.

Thank you for your continued support.