

# Beech Class

April-May 2022



**GET READY TO:**  
LEARN **see** DO  
read **EXPLORE**  
question **GROW**  
laugh **SMILE**  
IMPROVE **SHARE**  
try write **CONNECT**  
imagine **DO YOUR VERY BEST**

## Our learning in Summer One:

This half term, our main topic is a geography unit based on **Coasts**. During this unit, we will cover the following areas:

- Naming the 5 oceans and the seas surrounding the United Kingdom
- What is a coast?
- How are coasts formed?
- Human and physical features at the coast
- How do humans effect the coastal environment?
- Ocean pollution

## **English:**

- Our focus genre for this half term is building suspense. We will be writing a finding story based on the model 'Adventure at Sandy Cove'.
- Magic Box Poetry
- We will be reading poetry during our class reads

## **Maths:**

Our focus will be decimals, position and direction and angles. We will cover:

- Fractions
- Length
- Money

## **Other areas of the curriculum:**

- Brass - Tuesday.
- PSHE - Diverse Britain
- RE - What do different people believe about God?
- Science - plants
- Art - Jubilee project

## **PE:**

**Orienteering** – Children will be orienteering this term with Mr Singh on a Thursday. Children will change in school. Please ensure children have a full PE kit in school to change into.

**Ultimate Frisbee** – On a Tuesday morning, we will go to the park for an ultimate frisbee session. Please come to school dressed in sportswear, children will remain in these clothes for the rest of the school day. Please also bring in a named water bottle.

## **Supporting learning at home:**

- **Spellings:** Spellings will be taught in school and lists will **not** be sent home to learn.
- **Reading:** Every child should read frequently. This is the building block of all learning. In year 3, children need to read for at least **15-20 minutes most days** and talk to an adult about what they have read. Please encourage your child to use their reading diary to record the reading that they have done each day and obtain a signature from an adult who has listened to them. Reading diaries will be checked and books changed every **Thursday** during the Summer term.
- **Maths - times table homework:** Children will work on our times table challenge with a test on their individual focus table on a Monday. Maths homework will be set on Mondays and be due back on the Friday of that week. Due to the bank holiday, homework will re-start on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May. The multiplication tests will start from 16<sup>th</sup> May.
- **English homework:** The weekly pattern will continue: English will be set on Fridays. This will be due back on the following Wednesday.

You may support your child in tasks but if they are struggling, please ensure they know that they can ask us for help.

## **Useful information:**

**Coats:** Please make sure your child brings a coat or shower proof jacket in every day so that we can go outside. Also ensure that EVERYTHING is named! If it isn't, we cannot return it.

If you have any questions to ask, or have information to tell us, please contact us via the school office ([julie.carter@littleaton.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:julie.carter@littleaton.derbyshire.sch.uk) or on 01332 831471). One of us will also be available on the playground at the end of the school day.

### **Dates for the diary:**

2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank Holiday Monday

13<sup>th</sup> May – Class Photograph

27<sup>th</sup> May – Break up for half term

6<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day

7<sup>th</sup> June – Children return to school

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Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs J Dilleigh and Mrs L Williams