



# Beech Class Spring 2022

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

## *“Were the Tudors terrible or terrific?”*

### Our learning in March and April



This half term, we will learn about the 118 years of Tudor history. The Tudors were a fascinating dynasty of kings and queens who had a massive impact on English history. During this unit, we will cover the following areas:

- Who were the Tudors and when did they reign?
- Was the Battle of Bosworth a turning point in history?
- What can we tell about Henry VIII from his portraits?
- What can we learn about Henry VIII from historical sources?
- Why is Henry VIII remembered?

To consolidate our learning, on 28<sup>th</sup> April we will be visiting the Bosworth Battlefield Heritage Centre. Children will be able to look around the museum and take part in lots of exciting activities. Further information to follow.

#### **English:**

Our English this term will be closely linked to our Tudor topic. Children will write a News report on the Battle of Bosworth and a biography of Henry VIII.

#### **Maths:**

Our focus for this term will be on fractions and the written methods for multiplication and division. We will cover:

- 2,4 and 8 times tables and division facts.
- Multiply 2-digits by 1-digit, using the written grid method
- Divide 2-digits by 1-digit, written grid method
- Scaling
- Make equal parts
- Recognise and find a half, quarter and a third
- Unit fractions and
- Non-unit fractions
- Equivalence of a half
- Count in fractions

Children are expected to know their 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables by the end of year 3. We will continue to progress through the times table challenge with a test each **Monday** on the individual table being learnt.

Practice sheets will continue to be sent home each week to reflect the table that children are focussing on. In addition, children need to continue to practice their target table on 'TTRockstars', selecting the jamming game choice which will then allow them to play, focusing on just their own target times table.

Other curriculum areas include:

- PE – Fitness and hockey
- DT – structures, photo frames
- Music – Brass lessons will continue Tuesday afternoons
- PSHE – Aiming High
- Science - light
- RE – Why are festivals important to religious communities, Easter focus.
- French – Children will be taught by a specialist French teacher (Mrs Duncan) on a Monday afternoon
- Computing – Data and Information: branching databases

#### **Supporting learning at home:**

- **Spellings:** Spellings will be taught in school and lists will **not** be sent home to learn.
- **Reading:** Every child needs to read frequently. 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 **Wednesday**.
- **Times Tables:** Children will work on our times table challenge with a test on their individual focus table on a Monday.
- **Homework:** Children will be set weekly homework. It will follow this pattern: English will be set on Fridays. This will be due back on the following Wednesday. Maths will be set on Mondays and be due back on the Friday of that week. 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 every day so that we can go outside. Also ensure that EVERYTHING is named! If it isn't, we cannot return it.

**PE:** On our PE days, children will need to come dressed in their **School PE kit**. They will remain in these clothes for the rest of the school day. Please also make sure that your child has a named water bottle. During Spring 2, we will have PE on a **Wednesday** and a **Friday**.

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

Thank you in advance for your support.  
Mrs Dilleigh and Mrs Williams