

Beech Class Timetable							
	1st lesson	2nd lesson	3rd lesson	Lunch		4th lesson	5th lesson
Monday	English	Maths	Spellings			Skills	RE
Tuesday	Science	Science	Spellings & Grammar			English	Maths
Wednesday	English	Maths	Reading			PE	Topic
Thursday	English	Guided Reading	Spelling & Grammar			French	ICT
Friday	English	Topic	Spelling & Grammar			Maths	Art/DT

Where possible the above timetable will be used.

Timings:

Registration: 8.55 - 9.00am

1st lesson: 9.00 - 10.00am

2nd lesson: 10.45 - 11.45am

EYFS 11.45am

4th lesson: 1.15 - 2.15pm

Assembly: 10.10 - 10.30am

3rd lesson: 11.45 - 12.00pm (KS1) and 11.45 - 12.00pm (KS2)

KS1 lunch 12.00pm

KS2 lunch 12.15pm

Afternoon Break: 2.15 - 2.30pm

5th lesson: 2.30 - 3.30pm

Beech Class Year 4

Autumn 2018 Newsletter for Children and Parents

Class Routines and Information

Welcome to Beech class. I hope that you have all enjoyed the very hot summer. Below are a few notes and reminders for the busy year ahead.

Staff: I will be teaching the children everyday, alongside Mrs Gadsden who will be in class with the children every morning except Friday. Mrs Kean will be working in class with the children every weekday afternoon. Children will continue their computing lessons on a Thursday with Mrs Churchill and their French lessons will be taught by Mrs Farrugia.

Daily Routines: Children can enter the classroom from 8.45 and start the morning activity. The register will be taken at 8.55 and the first lesson will start at 9am.

Reading Books: Children are to bring their reading books into school everyday. They will read regularly with an adult in school, sometimes on a one-to-one basis, sometimes in a small guided reading group and sometimes as a whole class activity. If children have finished a reading book and a note has been made in their diary, they should place it on Mrs Gadsden's desk in the morning for it to be changed.

Library : Children should make-the-most of our fantastic library and they will have the opportunity to change their book every Thursday afternoon. Please encourage children to bring in their books and change them regularly.

P.E: This year, we will have PE on a Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Children should have a named PE kit in school at all times during the term. Kit should include t-shirt, shorts and plimsoles/trainers. Children may also wear jogging bottoms and a sweater/fleece as we will be going outside. Any children with their ear piercings will need to be able to remove their own studs or bring in tape to protect them.

Homework: Children will continue to have spellings homework every week in addition to weekly English or Maths homework to complete. Please continue to support your child in learning their spellings every week as this will really benefit their progress in school.

Water Bottles: Children may bring in a named water bottle so they can drink throughout the day. As most of the bottles are the same, it important that they are named with a permanent marker. The bottles will be sent home for washing every Friday.

Snack: Morning snacks are to consist of fruit and vegetables only. Children should not bring in biscuits or sweets as a morning snack and we encourage the children to make healthy choices both at school and at home.

Topic Information for Parents

English — Stories with familiar settings— adverbs, fronted adverbial phrases , prepositions. and conjunctions. Writing our own stories based on the text read in class.

Instructions and explanations— nouns, pronouns and imperative verbs.

Poetry— Learning and writing poems. Nouns, adverbs, fronted adverbials, punctuation including commas. **Information texts** - Use a range of sentences, use a possessive apostrophe (singular & plural nouns), Oral presentations.

Maths — Place value, written and mental addition and subtraction, mental multiplication and division using times tables, doubles and half a number, shape naming 2D and 3D shapes, time using an analogue clock to read time to the minute, calculate time intervals.

Geography —Where on earth? Locational knowledge identifying latitude, longitude, equator, northern and southern hemisphere, southern hemisphere, time zones.

History —Ancient Greece Life in Ancient Greece, clothing, homes, warfare, architecture.

Science — Teeth and Electricity.

RE — What are the deeper meanings of festivals?

Art — Drawing focus

DT— Making torches using the knowledge gained in science.

PSHE — Making the most of me

Music — Poetry

ICT—In the weekly computing skills lesson topics include programming, multimedia and online safety. Children use ICT across the curriculum.

Year 4 events this term:

Thursday 13th September 9am — Beech class meeting for parents.

Thursday 20th September — School photographs

Tuesday 6th November — Year 3/4 Faith Tour in Bedford.

Day tbc December — Year 4 carol singing at Orchard House.

Values: The values that we will be learning about this term are:-

September—Respect

October—Honesty

November—Peace

December— Compassion

It is always lovely to hear how children are living the values out of school.