



Beech Class Learning Letter

Friday 13th September 2024



Home Learning

Each week we will give you some home learning for your child to do at home. This will be something linked to what we are working on at school and will cover a range of skills over the year. You are welcome to share their home learning with us on Dojo- the best place to keep anything you'd like to share from home is in the 'portfolio' section. Or you can send it in as a message- we love to share these moments with the class.

This week, your child's home learning is to practise getting dressed independently.

Welcome to Beech Class!

Wow! What a great first full week we have had! The children have really amazed us with their confidence and happiness in the classroom. They are getting used to the routines and we are already well on our way with our learning!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask when you see me on the gate or send a message on dojo.

We will start our PE sessions next week. Please ensure children have a full PE kit in school with black pumps/ plimsolls. Please encourage your child, over the next few weeks to get changed independently. We are happy to help the children if they are struggling, but it makes it so much easier if they can begin changing independently.

Meet the teacher

We would like to invite parents to a 'meet the teacher' session on Thursday 19th September at 3.15pm. The children will be supervised in breakfast club while I will talk to you about the year ahead!

Reminders

All children's items of clothing, coats bags and water bottles should be clearly labelled with their name. It makes things much easier to find the owner when things are left in the classroom at the end of the day and saves us a lot of time. Thank you for your support!

We will start PE next Thursday- please ensure children have a PE kit in school; again all items named- it is amazing what can get lost when a class full of children get changed for PE. Children should have black pumps and shorts and the t-shirt provided at the settling in sessions.

A reminder that we only allow water at school- no juice please.

Children should not be wearing any jewelry to school- no earrings please.

What we are learning....

This week we have been getting used to the routines, and exploring the classroom. We are getting to know each other, and getting better at remembering everyone's names. We have been talking about our feelings through the story 'The Colour Monster'.

We began phonics, learning our first few sounds. Please ensure children are practising their sounds at home.

We have started our maths learning, where we have been subitising- this is a very important skill where children look at small amounts of objects and are able to say how many are there without counting. We have been subitising looking at 1, 2 and 3 dots.

We also began our Reception Baseline Assessments. These are a government assessment which is carried out with reception age children.



Dates for your diary

23rd September- Lancashire Evening Post New reception children photograph

Meet the teacher- Thursday 19th September 3.15pm

Thursday 10th October- World Mental Health Day- Wear yellow

Half Term- Week commencing 21st October

INSET day- Monday 28th October

School Mission Statement

We have introduced the children to our school mission statement. Next week, they will come home with it on a bookmark. This is an important part of our school life at SMG and we will be referring to and 'living' our mission statement every day.

'We all work together to do our best to shine with God's love, pride and success in a happy, peaceful and prayerful place where everyone tries to be kind, helpful and caring.'