



Beech Newsletter

June 2025

We are approaching the time when we are preparing to transition into new classrooms. There will be sessions when Reception children will be visiting their new rooms, and we will be introducing new children to Beech Class. We hope this will be an exciting time for the children but it worth reminding them that it is a long time till September. If your child appears anxious about the changes, please let me know. We plan to keep as much unchanged as possible over the next 7 weeks.

We managed to successfully release the butterflies in the first week of term, pictures on Tapestry, and the garden has finally begun to grow. If it is sunny, please do remember to apply suncream before school and provide a sunhat. If you would like us to reapply suncream, bring a small one in (I've recently discovered how easy roll-ons are for children to apply independently!) and we will apply before lunch.

In **Maths** this half term, Reception will be learning about visualising shapes and arrangements, describing positions using maps, and creating maps, as well as consolidating understanding of number. Nursery will be encouraged to use mathematical language to compare, count, and explore different compositions of number as well as begin to measure, notice shape and see patterns. Photos will be on Tapestry.

In **Phonics, Reception** children are recapping the tricky words learnt last term and reading with increased fluency. We ask that you continue to hear your child read at least three times at home in addition to the three times we hear them. Recently, tricky words highlighted as the area most children found difficult. Please practice even one word a week from the recent list sent home. **Nursery** children will continue to focus on alliteration, rhymes and oral blending and will be taking time to hear stories and talk about books.

Reading

In class the session focus is on decoding, prosody (expression) and comprehension. The children will continue to read their reading book three times a week in class which are then sent home on a Wednesday. We ask that all books are returned, in their plastic wallets, on the following Monday.

Please send your child's PE kit in for **PE on Fridays**. This half term we will be preparing for Sports day on the 11th June, then learning about speed, agility and travel.

Topic

Over the next few weeks, we will be exploring our topic of The Seaside. Thank you to everyone who has already put on Tapestry a photo of their child on holiday, particularly on a beach. During this half term we will be looking at Billys Bucket, Somebody Swallowed Stanley and Flotsam. We will be learning about coasts and the sea, the animals who live there and how we can look after our seas and keep them clean as well as floating and sinking and seashells in the past. Please do post us a postcard if you travel anywhere, even if it's a local town to inspire postcard writing. Its so exciting when one is delivered to school!

Reception will be having a school trip with Class 2 this term and Nursery will be having a morning of games, bubbles, and a picnic on the top field- details to follow.

PHSE

This term Reception will be looking at Changing Me, naming parts of the body, being healthy, understanding growing and looking forward to next year. Nursery will be naming parts of the body, expressing feelings, working together, being kind and responsible.

Homework- Reception

Homework will be sent out as a challenge sheet for the Reception children to pick from throughout the 1/2 term. A reminder that 3 homework pieces is the *minimum* expected. A phonics review sheet will be sent home on a Friday to consolidate the weeks learning. Any comments can be shared in the learning journal.

Come in!

I am pleased to invite parents and carers in to come and play with us on Friday 27th June at 2:15pm. We are nearing the end of the year and would like to celebrate with you by having cake and a play, no focus. It is our assembly at 2:55 that day so we look forward to seeing you there if you can make it

Additional

I am always pleased to see photos of your special trips or events via Tapestry, which we show the class. If anyone is having trouble accessing Tapestry, please let me know.