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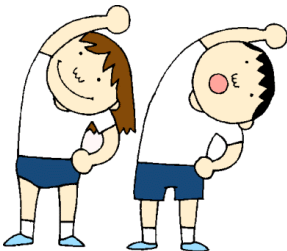
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Beech Class Newsletter – Spring 2024

Welcome back to a new term in Beech Class! – We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year. Hopefully you have all had a nice, relaxing break and are now ready for another exciting term ahead. The children worked incredibly hard last term and we are very proud of their effort and determination. I'm sure this attitude will continue throughout the next term. Thank you for your continuous support, it is certainly reflected within the children's progress and achievements.

Curriculum

This term we will be exploring our topic of 'The Animal Kingdom!' For more information, please view our Topic Web on the school website.



P.E.

P.E. will take place on **Tuesday** and **Friday**, but it is essential that children have their PE kit in school every day. Please make sure that children have suitable clothing for both indoor (shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls/indoor trainers) and outdoor PE (jumper, sports trousers and trainers) and please ensure that all kit and uniform is named.

Reminders

- Water bottles – Please make sure children have a water bottle with them every day (separate from any drink in their lunchbox) as this allows access to water as and when they require it.
- Outdoor shoes – All children should be prepared for outdoor play by keeping wellies, and a warm waterproof coat in school.
- Homework - The suggested activities can be found on the Beech Class page of the website. The children should hand in any work that they have done at home on a **Wednesday**, to allow time for marking, before being given back on a **Friday**.



- Reading Books - Children will need to bring their book bags and reading books into school every day. We will continue to encourage the children to use their independence in changing and choosing their own books on a weekly basis. Bug Club books will be changed on Fridays.
- Spellings - The children will come home with a spelling sheet of the sounds that they have been learning and are consolidating. We would very much encourage the children practising these at home in preparation for a dictation on Thursdays. We may not ask children to recall all of the words sent home and may add in some new ones based on the spelling pattern, so that the children can write some sentences using the words learned. Please note, we do not tell children their score and refer to the lesson as a 'dictation' and not a spelling test.

Important Dates

- W/B Monday 15th January – RSPB Big Schools Birdwatch
- Friday 2nd February – School Association Quiz Night
- Tuesday 6th February- Safer Internet Day
- W/B Monday 12th February – Half Term Holiday
- W/B Monday 4th March – Book Week
- W/B Monday 11th March – Science Week
- Friday 15th March – Comic Relief
- Tuesday 19th / Thursday 21st March – Parents' Evenings
- Thursday 28th March – Easter Church Service (pupils only)
- Thursday 28th March – Last day of term – 3.15 finish – No Tree House

News on further events will be communicated with you via email. Please see the school website for dates for the whole academic year.

As always, if you do need to speak with us, then please do not hesitate to get in touch either at the beginning or end of the day, or via email through the school office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Evans and Miss Phillips

