



Beech Class – Year 1

Enriching Learning

Spring Term 2024-2025

Topic - 'The Animal Kingdom'



The following links will help you to work on some of the key learning for Maths and English this term. **With an adult's help, you can choose which areas you most need to practise and when and how long you spend on them.** If you are very confident, you should try the diving activities. If you need to develop your confidence, try the swimming activities. If you think you need to develop skills, have a go at the paddling activities.

Maths

Paddling:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/addition/addition-to-10>

Swimming:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/robot-more-or-less>

Diving:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/number-facts/number-fact-families>

You can also login to your **Mathletics** account **here:**

<https://login.mathletics.com/>

Reading

This term, we would like you to try and read for 10 minutes every day.

Make sure that record these sessions in your reading diary, so that you can be entered into the Reading Raffle every time you reach a milestone. Remember that reading two books on the same day still counts as one day's reading! 😊

Reading diaries are checked on Thursdays. However, your reading diary should be in school every day.

English

Play some of the Small Town Superheroes games.
[Small Town Superheroes Games](#)

Paddling:

Focus on *full stops* in the 'Punctuation' section.

Swimming:

Focus on *capital letters* in the 'Punctuation' section.

Diving:

Focus on *all punctuation* in the 'Punctuation' section.

Topic Focus: The Animal Kingdom

The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term and with topic homework activities.

[BBC Science Clips - The Animal Kingdom](#)

[Animal Classification](#)

[What are...? Find out about different groups of animals](#)

[Naming and grouping familiar animals](#)

[Continents and Oceans](#)

Each week, you need to choose **one** of these activities to complete in your homework book and **hand in every Wednesday**. Make sure that you choose a range of activities (some from each box) during the term.

English Activities:

- Create a fact page about an animal from the UK.
- Research some funny animal facts and write down your Top 10.
- Write a recipe for one of your favourite meals or snacks. Remember to include a list of the ingredients.
- Write a book review of a story about an animal. What did you like and dislike about the story? What questions did you have about the story?
- Write a poem about an animal. You could write an acrostic poem using the name of the animal, or you could even create some actions and record yourself performing your poem!
- Practise your letter formation for the One-Armed Robot letters – r, p, h, k, b, n, and m.
- Write some clues to describe your favourite animal (don't forget to tell us the answer!).

Maths Activities:

- Place value (up to 50)
 - Create a number line from 0 – 50. You could count up in 5s or 10s.
 - Ask your adult to pick out three 2-digit numbers, e.g. 14/ 27/31. Can you put them in order?
- Addition and subtraction (within 20)
 - Use what you know about number bonds to make 10, to work out number bonds to make 20, e.g. if $2+8=10$, then $12+8=20$.
- Length and height
 - Gather a selection of 5 objects from around your house. Order them from tallest to shortest and measure them in CMs.
- Multiplication and division
 - Using a selection of small objects (up to 20), share them out into smaller groups in as many different ways as you can. Are there any amounts that won't share into smaller groups?

Topic Activities:

- Create an animal-themed piece of art. You could paint, draw or collage a picture of your favourite animal.
- Label the continents on a world map. You could also make a list of some of the animals that live in each continent.
- Ask your parents and grandparents about some of the favourite toys that they played with as children. Compare them to the toys that you like to play with now.
- Take part in the RSPB 'Big Garden Bird Watch'. Find out more here: [Big Garden Birdwatch](#)
- Conduct a science experiment to find out which is the best material to protect an egg from a great fall!

Personalised homework

Personalised homework is all about what you want to show us. Think about our topic (Kings and Queens) and the events that are coming up, such as Advent. Then, create something to bring in and show, such as: a model or piece of creative art. You can use any materials. Have fun! 😊