

Beech Class Information



Dear Parents/Carers,

Beech Class have already impressed me with how quickly they have settled into the routines and expectations, I'm really looking forward to the year ahead. Please note the following useful information:

PE

We have PE every Wednesday with a different focus each half term. Please ensure a full correct PE kit is worn on the day as we will not be changing in school for PE:

- Black or blue Shorts
- A royal blue round neck T-shirt
- Trainers
- Tracksuits for the colder months (if required)
- No jewellery is to be worn during PE (this includes studded earrings).

We will also be engaging in short, daily fitness sessions, however, school uniform will be adequate for this.

Homework

- **Spelling:** We test the children on the different coloured spelling sheets to see which spellings they need to practise. These cards can then be found on the school website, and on Spelling Shed for practising at home (at least 5 times a week). Your child can also bring paper copies home.
- **Reading:** Children should be reading with an adult or independently for 20 minutes at least 5 times a week. Please encourage them to read their books carefully and ask questions to check their understanding. To build confidence, ensure that they are only asked to read familiar sounds and words. For children accessing Read Write Inc. sessions, please practise the sounds they are working on. Further information on spellings and phonics can be found on the [school website](#).
- **Maths:** Children should be practising their key number facts at least 5 times a week, including number bonds and multiplication tables. The best way to do this is through quick-fire questions: the journey to school is a perfect opportunity for this! Children also have logins for [NumBots](#) and [Times Table Rock Stars](#) (suggested Y2+). Gaining real-life practise of applying their learning and converting units of measure (including time) will be a huge benefit to their learning.
- **Additional:** An overview will be sent out at the start of each term with details of suggested activities for home learning linked to our topics for that term.

Lunch, Snacks and Drinks

Please ensure your child has healthy snacks and lunches - crisps and sweets are not allowed at break time. Your child also needs to bring a named water bottle each day which can be re-filled if required. We ask that squash and juice drinks are not brought into the classroom and that a separate bottle is brought in to have with their lunch if required. Squash and juice drinks, even sugar free, can be very acidic and are not good for children's teeth if they are regularly sipping them.

Start/End of the Day

I will be on the playground to greet the children at 8:45 for the first week back and will bring them to the playground to be collected at 3:30 each day.

Outdoor Learning

Please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat with a hood, waterproof trousers and a pair of wellies in school at all points. These must be clearly name labelled.

Best wishes,

Mr Watson