



Beech Newsletter

Summer Term 1 2023-24



Dates for your Diary:

Bank Holiday

Monday 6th May

Kingswood Residential

Wednesday 15th May -

Friday 17th May

Earth Day 22nd April

The Chelsea Flower Show

21st—25th May

Half Term

Monday 27th May -

Friday 31st May

General Class News:

Welcome back and I hope you all had a relaxing Easter break.

The pupils are responding very well to earning House points. Every Monday morning, during Tutor Time, pupils are recognised if they have accumulated 10 or more over the course of the previous week. When they reach the milestone of 100 house points, they will receive a SHS pen. Keep up the good work, Beech Class!

Beech Class enjoy visiting other teachers so that they can learn a wide range of subjects across the curriculum. Here are some potential apprentice carpenters learning woodwork skills in D.T.



The Kingswood trip is approaching, and the excitement is building. Please take the time to visit Kingswood's website to familiarise your child with what to expect. We'll be looking at and discussing aspects of our 3 day visit with the students in class too.

<https://www.kingswood.co.uk/locations/west-runton>

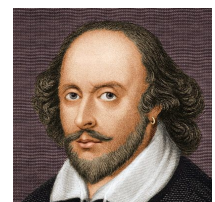
Maths

For the half term, we will be looking at how we use maths in everyday life. There will work on decimals where we will use money as a learning aid. We will be measuring; this will include time as well as length, mass and volume.



English

In Literacy the students will look at a story from one of Shakespeare's plays, 'The Tempest'. We will focus on reading the story and finding out what the characters are like, how language is used, how setting can be used to create drama and tension and how relationships are won or broken. We will get the chance to act out some parts of the play and watch an outdoor production by a theatre company on YouTube.





This half term we will focus on what makes and impacts a healthy lifestyle including the importance of sleep. We then explore Mental Wellbeing and its link to physical activity and how it's important to seek help if needed.

Science

This half term we will be starting our biology units which will predominantly focus on cells. The pupils will learn about the different types of cell, their structure and functions. They will have the opportunity to collect and observe their own cheek cells and compare them to cells collected from a plant.



PE

In the first half term, Beech Class will be practising their athletic skills in preparation for Sports Day. They will learn to master basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching, as well as developing balance, agility and coordination, and begin to apply these in a range of activities.



Other subjects:

RE— This term we will explore the creation story and whether this conflicts or complements scientific theory.

Music/Drama— Beech Class will continue to play the recorder and sing in class. They will also attend drama lessons with Mrs Harvey in Fig Class.

Outdoor Learning— In the first half term the students will be engaging in a variety of gardening tasks.

Topic— This term we will learn about the voting system in the 1800s and learn about the Suffragettes and what they fought for.

Art—The pupils will be looking at perspective drawing from one and two point perspective. They will also create a building out of clay.

Other useful information

CBBC Newsround—<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround>

Maths - <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?q=word%20problems>

Sketching animals—<https://cecilieo.com/beginner-sketching-ideas-from-nature/>

RE – (The Creation Story) <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/Search.aspx?q=creation%20story>

Topic (Suffragettes) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/topics/c23n2836042t>