



Beech Class

Autumn 1 Topic Web 2023



Theme this half term

Explorers

- Core Read Aloud Texts**
- What the Ladybird Heard by Julia Donaldson
 - The Squirrels who Squabbled by Rachel Bright and Jim Field
 - The Smartest Giant in Town by Julia Donaldson
 - Cinderella by Stephanie Stansbie
 - Little Red Riding Hood by Mara Alperin
 - Town Mouse and Country Mouse by Libby Walden and Richard Jones
 - The Gingerbread Man by Gail Yerrill
 - Oh no! Shark in the Snow! By Nick Sharratt
 - Peck by Lucy Cousins

Days to remember

Please make sure your child has wellingtons and a waterproof coat in school for Outdoor Explorers on Fridays.

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	
Thursday	PE
Friday	Outdoor Explorer Reading Celebration 3pm

English

This half term we will begin with a story unit on Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We will sequence events in the story and retell the story using props. We will be working on sounding out what we want to write and writing sentences using capital letters, full stops and fingers spaces.

Maths

We will begin with a unit on place value within 10. We will begin by looking at sorting objects in different ways and being able to count these accurately. We will then work on finding one more and less than a number and being able to count forwards and backwards from different starting numbers.

Science

Our first Science unit is 'Naming Everyday Materials'. We will explore what different objects are made from and think of words to describe different materials.

PSHE

In PSHE this half term we will be learning about Zones of Regulation. We will explore vocabulary relating to emotions and learn to recognise different emotions in ourselves and others. We will also become more aware of triggers which lead us to feeling less regulated.

PE

We will have PE on Thursday afternoons, taught by Mrs Bishop-Lagget (Mrs Perry has PPA) We will have one inside lesson and one outside lesson each Thursday afternoon. We will be starting with developing our ball skills.

Outdoor Explorers or Computing and Music

Our music this half term is a listening unit is based around the piece 'Colonel Hathi's march' from *The Jungle Book*. We will explore moving and counting in time to march music, listening to contrasting low and high instruments typically found in a marching band, as well as responding to music through movement.

Geography or History

In history this half term we will be learning about explorers. We will focus on Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus and find out about why they are significant people in the past.

Art & Design or Design & Technology

In art this half term we will be using collage and painting to create a seascape. We will explore making different marks using a variety of media and learn how to make colours darker and lighter. We will learn about the work of Vincent Van Gough and Claude Monet.