



Beech Class

Autumn 2 Topic Web 2023



Theme this half term

Explorers

Core Read Aloud Texts

The Deep Dark Wood by Algy Craig Hall & Ali Pye

Prince Cinders by Babette Cole

Goldilocks by Alan Ahlberg

You Choose Fairy Tales by Nick Sharratt

Mixed up Fairy Tales by Nick Sharatt

Once Upon a Wild Wood by Chris Riddell

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

In English we will be doing a story writing unit based on The Three Little Pigs. We will be learning the story by heart, with actions and sequencing the events. We will then identify the five parts of the story- opening, build up, problem, resolution and ending and will think about what happens in each part. At the end of the unit we will write a retelling of the story. We will continue our work on sentence writing, using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

We will then read The Jolly Christmas Postman and identify the features of letters.

Maths

In maths we will be learning about addition and subtraction. The children will use part-whole models to understand the concept of addition. They will become familiar with the language relating to subtraction and will use first, then and now stories to understand 'how many left?'

The children will also be naming and recognising 2D and 3D shapes.

Science

In science, the children will be continuing to learn about everyday materials. They will investigate the different properties of materials such as whether they are waterproof. The children will also think about and observe the changes that are taking place as the seasons change.

RE

In RE this half term, we will be learning about the Nativity story and what it tells Christians about Jesus. We will visit the church and find out about how they prepare for Christmas.

PE

PE will continue to be on Thursday afternoons each week taught by Mrs Bishop- Laggett. The children will have two lessons. Their units this half term are dance and invasion games.

Outdoor Explorers or Computing and Music

In computing the children will develop their understanding of technology and how it can help them in their everyday lives. They will start to become familiar with the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills. They will also consider how to use technology responsibly.

In music we will be learning The Menu Song. The children will practice their skills in listening, keeping a steady beat and developing a sense of pitch.

Geography or History

In geography our unit is Magical Mapping. We will be drawing and labelling maps of the school grounds. We will also be learning to recognise and name the continents and oceans.

Art & Design or Design & Technology

In DT we will be working on a unit where we will learn about shelters as well as designing and building our own mini shelter. Children will learn different joining techniques and use tools safely.