

Live and Learn for Life



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Beech Class Curriculum Letter – Summer 1

Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a lovely, restful holiday and Easter break. We are looking forward to another busy half term. This half term, across May, we will be completing our SATS tests with the children. Children won't be aware they are 'SATS' and will just know they are doing some 'quizzes'. As discussed in the SATS workshop to parents, results of the SATS will be shared with you around the time of our end of year reports. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to come and speak to me.

Maths

This half term, much of our learning will focus on closing gaps in our learning with our upcoming Maths SATS. As well as this, we will be continuing to tell the time and learning about position and direction knowledge. We will also be working hard to ensure we know our 2, 5 and 10 times table fluently.

English

In Year 2, our English work focuses around different texts. This half term, our English work will focus around the texts 'Handa's Surprise', 'Tinga Tinga Tales', 'Bringing the rain to Kapiti Plain', and the 'Enormous Crocodile'. We will be writing a variety of texts such as letters, narratives and character descriptions.

DT

In Art we will be focusing on '**Fantastic Food**'. We will be linking our DT with our Geography Kenya work. We will be exploring different foods from Africa and eventually creating our own African dish. We will share lots of learning for this subject on Tapestry for you to see. I will send a letter nearer the time with regards to ingredients and allergies.

Geography

This half term our Geography topic is titled '**Sensational Safari**'. We will be focusing our studies on the country of Kenya. We will be learning about where Kenya is in the world and what life is like there for the people. We will also learn about the animals who live in Kenya and what the national parks are like. Please see the knowledge organiser for key facts.

PE

This half term, Beech Class will continue to have PE on **Mondays and Wednesdays** so please ensure they come to school wearing PE kit on these days.

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Home Learning

As a reminder, in Year 2, children will receive a weekly spelling list of words that apply to a given rule. This will be sent home on a **Thursday**. Each week (on the following Thursday), children will be checked on this rule and given a list of spellings to learn that apply to this rule.

As well as this, there will be some of our Year 2 words included in the word list as the expectation is that, the children know how to read and spell these words by the end of the year. Children can practice their spelling rule on ReadWriter or using alternative methods. As well as this, children can use their Numbots logins from last year to practise their number skills, Times Table Rockstars and Hit the Button to help with time tables, as well as reading their books.

Reminders

- Please ensure children bring their library books to school every day so that they can read their book with a school adult or when they have opportunities to throughout the day.
- Please do let me know via email if you have not got access to Tapestry. I post regular updates about the childrens' learning and can send you an email to reset your password if you do not have access.

We are really looking forward to a busy and exciting half term. Please do not hesitate to contact the Beech mailbox if you have any questions or queries and I will get back to you as soon as I can.

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