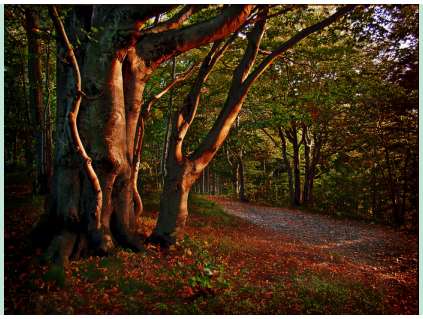
Beech

AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER 2026



The children in Beech class will be linking their learning this half term to the Great Fire of London, looking closely at why the Great Fire started. We will be thinking about what actually happened during the Great Fire and questioning how we can be sure of this, 350 years later, as well as considering why the Great Fire burnt down so many buildings. Beech class will explore whether more could have been done to stop the Fire and how people managed to live through it, in addition to attempting to re-design London to make sure a fire of that size never takes hold again.



Talk 4 Writing

In English this half term, Beech will focus on non-chronological reports. We will explore this type of information text by learning about meerkats and work towards writing our own reports. We will finish Autumn 2 with some poetry, exploring A Few Frightening Things by Clare Bevan.



Maths

Beech will continue with calculations, looking at addition and subtraction as well as multiplication of 2, 5 and 10. Following this, we will explore measurement by beginning length and mass.



Dates for the Diary

- 2 November - Back to school
- 13 November - Own Clothes Day
- Great Fire of London aretefacts visit
- 16 November Odd Socks Day
- 17 November- Fire Services visit (Great Fire of London)
- 7 December- open classroom
- 10 December - School Nativity and Christmas jumper day
- 11 December- School Nativity
  -Reindeer Run
- 15 December- Open Box Theatre Production
  Reindeer run
- 16 December- School Christmas Lunch
- 18 December- Break up Day 13:15 finish

Our value this half term is:
Service

The children will be bringing home their lines to practice for the nativity



Our class PE days are Monday and Wednesday. Please send your child in wearing PE kit on those days. PE kit = trainers, plain black shorts, plain black tracksuit bottoms, maroon school branded polo shirt or house coloured t shirt, school jumper or fleece. No jewellery of any kind to be worn on these days and long hair as always must be tied back. Please ensure that wellies are also brought in and remain in school for forest school and playtime on the field etc. As the weather gets colder and wetter, it is very important the children have a waterproof coat at school.

How to help at home...

Read with your child (20 minutes daily).
Please make sure that you login and record your child's reading daily using the yellow reading record.

Encourage your child to practise their weekly spellings (10 minutes daily).
Every Friday, your child will be sent home with their new spellings in their book. We will have a test each Friday and new spellings will be written out or stuck in at the front. Please ensure your child remembers to bring their book back in for Friday each week.

Encourage your child to practise their times tables and maths (10 minutes daily).
Recall of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables is important. Children also have Numbots logins where they should be using the challenge section to embed their number bonds.