



Beech Class Newsletter – Term 5

Welcome back to Term 5

We hope you have enjoyed the Easter break. As the days are beginning to become longer and warmer, we have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for this term. As always, Terms 5 and 6 will have a focus on the Arts.



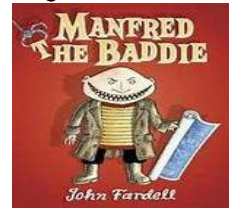
Maths

This term we will be focussing on learning to solve one-step problems involving multiplication and division.



We will be using concrete objects, pictorial representations and arrays. We will then learn about fractions using practical resources. We will be learning to recognise, find and name a half as one of two equal parts of an object, shape or quantity. Our KIRF (Key Instant Recall Fact) will be 'I can count in 2s to 20 and in 5s to 50 and beyond'.

English



Our text for this term will be 'Manfred the Baddie' by John Fardell. We will be discussing the story in detail. We will be writing 'Wanted' posters, short narrative pieces, and learning to read back and edit our work. Then we will plan and write Manfred's story from a different viewpoint. For our non-fiction writing we will be writing instructions.

Connected Curriculum



Our curriculum question for this term will be 'How can we tell stories using music and art?' We are going to become musicians and artists to represent and tell stories. We will begin by being musicians and using music to retell a classic fairy tale 'The Three little pigs'. We will learn



how to use our voices and instruments to create sounds and keep the pulse. At the end of the unit, we will compose our own music to retell part of the story. In art, we will be learning how to create textile collages, inspired by Janet Bolton. We will learn how to attach different materials together using gluing, sewing, stapling and weaving. We will then design and make our own textile collage to tell a story.

Home Learning

We ask that you support your child to read at home at least 3 times per week. Please record what they have read in their reading diary and sign and date it. Please ensure that they bring their book and diary to school every day. Spelling homework will be sent home on **Mondays** on Seesaw and we ask that this is returned on **Thursdays**. This can either be done using the pencil or text function on Seesaw, or can be printed at home and you can upload a photo of the completed work to Seesaw.

Your child will also have a NumBots login and we would like all children to practise their mental maths facts on this at least 3 times per week as well.

PE

PE will take place on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days. This includes a **plain** house-coloured t-shirt, plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings/shorts and trainers. The normal Elm Park sweatshirt or PE hoodie must be worn.

Water bottles and snacks

Please ensure that your child brings a **full** water bottle to school with them every day. Your child may also bring fruit or a healthy snack for morning playtime (no crisps, chocolate bars etc. please).



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office to arrange a phone call from us.

Thank you for your continued support.
Mrs Moffett and Ms Coysh