

Beech Class, Autumn 1 Newsletter



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Dear Year 2 families,

Welcome to Beech Class! I am really looking forward to teaching your children this year - they have already settled in well to their new classroom and made a great start with their learning.

With restrictions easing, we have lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for the children this term, and hope to be able to invite parents into the school which we really missed last year!

Miss Brown

READING AND HOMEWORK

- As reading is such an important skill, we do expect children to read at home **daily**. Please record this in your child's reading record.
- Each **Thursday**, your child will bring home 10 spellings and a Maths activity (consolidating what we have been learning in class) in their homework folder.
- Homework should be handed in on (or before) the following Thursday.

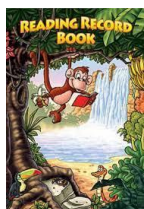
COMMUNICATION

The easiest way for you to communicate with me this year is by giving your message to the members of staff on the gate in the mornings, or by speaking to me at the end of the day. I will be checking the class (year2@eyeprimarysuffolk.org) regularly, but for urgent messages please speak to us as described above or contact the school office.



PLEASE BRING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY...

Reading record



Water bottle



PE will be on a Thursday, but **PE kits** should be kept in school for the whole half term so that children are able to take part in extra activities and enrichment days. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit, including trainers.

VOLUNTEERING

If you would like to come into school to hear children read, or help out with Forest Schools, please contact us!



Curriculum Map: Autumn 1



What are we learning this half term?

English 	We will be writing journey stories and persuasive letters . We will also be revising our Year 1 phonics sounds, learning the past tense in Year 2 grammar, and working on reading skills including vocabulary, inference and sequencing. Our first class book will be ' The Climbers ' by Ali Standish.
Maths	We will be focusing on key number and place value concepts, before moving on to addition and subtraction of two-digit numbers. Our 'Big Maths' will build our confidence with number bonds to 10 and 20.
Science	Our topic is ' Animals including Humans ', where we will be learning about life cycles and how to keep healthy.
Geography	We will be comparing Eye and China , focusing on human and physical geography, landmarks, and vocabulary such as town, country and continent.
PE	We are building on our fundamental skills (including balancing, jumping, running and throwing), as well as developing practical skills in Forest School .
RE	Our question to investigate is "Why do Jewish families talk about repentance at New Year?"
PSHE	Our unit title is " Being Me in My World ", where we will be discussing identity and emotions.
Art	We will be practising different methods of printing this half term.
Computing	Linking with our Art topic, we will be using PurpleMash software to learn methods of digital printing inspired by Mondrian and pointillism.
Music	We will learn about world music to think about the question 'How does music help us to make friends and connect with others?'.