



Beech Class

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Welcome back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, I would like to wish you a Happy New Year and say thank you very much for the thoughtful Christmas cards and gifts last term. I am very grateful for your kindness. I hope you have had an enjoyable break and welcome you back to a new term in Beech Class!

On Monday, we launched our new topic for this term, which has a history focus and is called 'Time Travellers!' This topic will focus on changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. Alongside this letter, you will find a knowledge organiser for our topic detailing the knowledge that children will be learning and some helpful links to support learning at home. I would really appreciate it if you could use this with your child, encouraging them to share with you what they know and what they can remember as the term progresses.

Our topic for this term will culminate with some Stone Age visitors on Monday 9th or Tuesday 10th February! A letter with information about this experience was sent home in Term 1 with all payment contributions towards it due as soon as possible.

As always, please remember that my door is always open, and if you ever need to speak to me then the best time to catch me is straight after school. Alternatively, you can contact me via the class email address, and I will get back to you either by email or phone. If you ever have any queries or concerns about your child in class, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Tye
Beech Class Teacher



PE

This term, PE will be on a **Mondays** and **Thursday**. On Thursdays, we will be attending our swimming lessons so please ensure your child also has their Swimming kit on this day.



A look inside our classroom...

In art, we enjoyed looking at space-themed artwork created by other artists. We trialled making tints and shades before using soft pastels to create our own out-of-this-world art!

Then, we experimented with different painting tools and techniques, before using acrylic paint to make backgrounds for our rocket pictures.



We took a walk to Royal Wootton Bassett Rugby Club and received some expert training from their coaches. We had a great time practising skills and then applying them in some tag rugby matches.



Key Dates – Term 3

Monday 12 th January	NSPCC Stay Safe, Speak Out Week
Thursday 15 th January	Y5 & Y6 dodgeball tournament (by invite)
Friday 16 th January	Beech & Silver Birch Tag Rugby Tournament
Monday 19 th January	Mathematics week – using maths to solve real-life problems Y4-Y6 primary school swimming gala (by invite)
Friday 23 rd January	KS2 Maths workshop for parents/carers (9:00am-9:45am)*
Friday 30 th January	School Council to visit White Lodge Care Home (1pm-3pm)
Monday 9 th February	KS2 Stone Age Extravaganza visitors
Tuesday 10 th February	
Thursday 12 th February	End of Term 3 at 3:05pm
Friday 13 th February	TD Day

*Please book the parent/carers sessions through Parent Mail or by contacting the school office.