



# Parent Curriculum Overview



AUTUMN TERM 2017 BEECH CLASS

## ENGLISH

We will be beginning the term by investigating the author Julia Donaldson. We will be exploring a range of different texts and eventually writing our own. We will look at Owl Babies and create a non-fiction page. Later in the term, the children will be visiting the theatre to watch The Enormous Turnip and will complete a writing sequence based on the book. Reading continues to be a high priority through the English sequences and in guided sessions and this can be supported by regular reading at home and comments in the HSLB.

## PSHE

At the beginning of the term the children will be setting up their class charter. The children will be thinking about the right to a name. Our PSHE topic this term is relationships. The children will think about what makes them feel good and how they can make others feel good. They will discuss people who are special to them and the difference between right and wrong.

## MUSIC

Our music sessions will be taught by Mrs Collins on a Wednesday afternoon. The children will have the opportunity to use their voices and a range of instruments to create a class piece of music. After half term we will be learning songs for The Nativity.

## COMPUTING

This half term we will be looking at using the internet. We will learn how to use the internet safely and use the internet for research. After half term, the children will be using Microsoft PowerPoint and learning how to add a new slide and insert pictures.

## PE

The children will have two PE sessions every week focusing on developing their skills for games. This can include co-ordination and balance, passing and retrieving skills and striking and fielding. Please can PE kits be in school every day and PE shoes checked to make sure that they fit.

## MATHEMATICS

This term we will be learning about place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and money. The children will learn using a range of mathematical equipment and begin to record using written methods. The children will be given the opportunity to apply their learning in a range of different contexts and problems. We enjoy learning outside of the classroom so there will be opportunities for the children to do this throughout the Autumn Term. To develop our fluency and accuracy in the four operations we will be improving our arithmetic skills each week.

## HISTORY

In History this term our topic will be 'It's Good to be Me'. We will be learning about how toys have changed over time and changes within our living memory. The children will have the opportunity to share their favourite toy and sort old and new toys. The children will also make their own version of a Victorian 'cup and ball' game. We will be thinking about the materials different toys are made of and how this has changed over time.

## ART

This half term the children will be learning to develop a wide range of art skills and techniques through the use of colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space to create self-portraits. The children will be looking closely at the detail on their face and the position of their features. The children will look at a range of different artists' self-portraits and use these to help create their own.

## SCIENCE

Our science is taught by Mrs Collins every Wednesday afternoon. This term the children will be exploring the animals including humans. They will have lots of creative learning opportunities including learning outside of the classroom.

## RE

In RE we follow the Discovery RE schemes of work. This term the children will be learning about the religion of Christianity. The children will look at Jesus' teachings and discuss some of his key messages. After half term they will learn about the Christmas story.

## INFORMATION

14.9.17 New Parent Class meeting 3:30-4:00 (information about the year group curriculum and routines)

13.10.17 Parent Open Morning (11:00-11:45)

19.10.17 (Thursday) Last day of half term

17.11.17 Children in Need

1.12.17 Christmas Fayre

12.12.17 KS1 Nativity Performance (tickets on sale nearer the time)

Muddy Mondays will continue in the Spring Term.

Please could the children have their welly boots in school for all science and forest school sessions,

