

# <u>Beech Class Newsletter Summer Term 2023</u> Ashfield Primary School Telephone: 01943 463341

Mrs Archer, Ms Rousseau, Mrs Burnham, Mrs Barton, Mrs Kalidas and Mrs

#### Peace

Welcome back after the Easter holidays. We hope you have had a lovely relaxing break. The children have already been busy with our new topics and have had an enjoyable first week back. Please check our class page on the website for updates on what we are doing! There are lots of pictures from last term's topics and it is updated weekly with new photographs. You will also find Knowledge Organisers there for the topics being covered this term. These will help you and your child discuss and review their learning at home.

<u>Updates:</u>

**PE** this term will continue to take place on Wednesdays (indoor) and Fridays (outdoor). Please make sure PE kits are in school at all times as we have been having to provide a lot of spare kits to those that don't bring them. Please can long hair be tied back.

#### <u>Homework</u>

Homework will continue to be set via Spelling Shed and MyMaths. Thank you for all your effort in supporting children's homework- it makes such a difference!

## **MyMaths**

Please complete homework via MyMaths. Work will be set every Friday and is due in the following Friday.

### Reading

<u>Please use the time children are reading with you to ask them questions about the text- this helps</u> <u>their understanding and is so important!</u> Children are expected to read every day for 10 minutes and have this recorded in their reading record. Please return reading books and reading records every Friday so that books can be changed.

### Times tables

Children should be practising both multiplications and divisions. Saying them out loud, quick fire tests and games (homemade or on a device) are all super ways of helping them remember themmake it fun! It doesn't just have to be written down.

The children should be familiar with 1, 2, 3, 5, and 10 times tables and are continuing to work on 3, 4 and 8 times tables. Children have a login for **TT Rockstars** to help with times tables practice. **Spelling** 

Mrs Archer will set spellings via spelling shed each Monday. Children will be expected to practise spellings at home as well as in school. They will have a weekly spelling test on the following Monday. Please use **Spelling Shed** to help your child learn their spellings.

| Summer 1 Topics                                     | Summer 2 Topics                             |
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| Science - Light                                     | Science- Plants                             |
| History - Greeks                                    | Geography – Comparison of Leeds/Otley and   |
| Computing – Programming                             | Cyprus                                      |
| Art - Textiles                                      | Computing – Programming                     |
| <b>RE</b> – What do Christians believe about a good | <b>D&amp;T</b> – Electronic charms          |
| life?   | <b>RE</b> – Creation Stories                |
| PE – Real PE Physical unit                          | PE - Real PE Health and Fitness unit        |
| <b>PSHE</b> – Careers and Economic Wellbeing        | <b>PSHE</b> – Physical Health and Wellbeing |
| French - Greetings and names                        | French - Numbers and colours                |

| English  | Maths   |
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| Our English lessons will be made up of whole<br>class and small group guided reading, spelling<br>strategies and writing based on different class<br>texts.<br>Our writing this term will focus on:<br>• Narrative: Tragedy<br>• Myth<br>• Tradition tale with a twist<br>• Non-chronological reports<br>We will be using these texts to link to our<br>writing:<br>The children will be looking at different spelling<br>rules. Spellings will be given out on Mondays and<br>tested on the following Monday.<br><b>Reading</b><br>Children continue to read both independently<br>and in groups, with a larger focus on group<br>discussions of different texts using our reading<br>VIPERS. | The Maths topics we will cover this term are:<br>• Money<br>• Time<br>• Fractions<br>• Angles<br>• Lines<br>• Perimeter<br>Please ensure that you encourage your child to<br>complete the weekly MyMaths homework to<br>further help with learning consolidation.<br>Please also help your child to practise times<br>tables via TTRockstars. |

## Dates for your diary:

| School re-opens for Summer term                    |
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| Yorkshire Air Ambulance event                      |
| Bank holiday – May Day                             |
| Bank Holiday King Charles' Coronation              |
| Class Photo Day                                    |
| Half Term  |
| Training day                                       |
| School reopens                                     |
| Empathy day  |
| Otley Carnival                                     |
| Health Week  |
| Sports Day   |
| Choir event at Leeds Arena                         |
| Whole School skateboarding Day                     |
| Ashfield Primary Takeover at Chevin Forest Parkrun |
| SEND week  |
| Bike Training on the playground                    |
| Year 3 plants workshop                             |
| Bike training on the playground                    |
| Parent consultation                                |
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| 12 - 14.7.23 | In school transition                    |
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| 13.7.23      | Summer Fair - Friends of Ashfield 4-6pm |
| 21.7.23      | Break up for the summer                 |

## A note from Ms Rousseau

Dear families, as many of you already know, I am expecting a baby in June. I'm very excited for his arrival but still have lots to prepare! I will be with you all until the end of April when I will be going on maternity leave. Mrs Joyce, who will be returning to our school from being on maternity leave, will be taking over for the rest of term. She knows our school and students well, and will ensure a seamless transition for this final part of the year. I will really miss you all but I hope to be able to visit in the not too distant future.

Love,

Ms Rousseau

