

# Beech Class Newsletter

Spring 2019

Welcome back after the Christmas break. We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year! Thank you for sharing some of the fantastic times that you have had on tapestry; the children will enjoy sharing these experiences with their friends.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the children during the school reading challenge. The children have really enjoyed colouring in the square once they have read three times or more each week. This half term we have a new challenge! The children will be able to move themselves across Nelson's journey!

Our school topic for this half term is: Super You, Super Me.  
Our enquiry question is: Who were the superheroes of the past?

## English

It's Traction Man! This half term we will be reading the book 'Traction Man' by Mini Grey. Traction man has been very busy, especially in our classroom! We will join in with his exciting adventures and start to use our own imagination to act out and write our own Traction Man adventures too!

We will also be exploring poetry through the story the 'Snail and the Whale' by Julia Donaldson.

## Maths

We will be developing our confidence with place value up to 20, finding missing numbers, one more and one less and recording. We will also continue to focus on addition and subtraction to 20 and recording number sentences.

We will also be exploring measurement and time using a variety of resources indoors and outdoors, using language and discussion to help us record what we have found.

## Learning Across the Curriculum

We will be learning about different materials and will try and test our own ideas with what material we think we would use to make our own superhero cape! We will be learning about famous heroes from the past and their adventures across the sea. First, we will learn about Nelson and then compare his journey to another famous English sailor, Ellen MacArthur.

This term in PE we will be doing gymnastics; we will be exploring different ways we can move and at different speeds. We will be learning how to take risks and follow instructions carefully to stay safe on the equipment.

## Reminders

Please ensure ALL uniform and water bottles are named.

PE will be on Monday's and Thursday's.

## How to Support at Home

Read or share a book with your child every day.

Upload what your child has done at home by using Tapestry. Your child will have the opportunity to share this with their class at school.

## Class Dates

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January –  
Sharing afternoon 2:45

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January –  
Reading Cafe 9:00- 10:00

## Presentation in Beech Class

We are working on our presentation to show we are proud of our work. Here are some examples of pieces of writing which show a good standard of presentation. This will be a whole school focus over the next term as we would like all of our pupils to take pride in their work and show this through neat well-presented writing.

Once upon a time there was a little boy he was  
lying at the park he went down the  
slide but the slide was a bit fast

Once upon a time there was a talking  
tree the tree walked away it  
walked into a shop the tree  
bought crackers they went into bed  
it had a party  
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