



Autumn Term 2026 Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to Beech Class, 2EB and 2RD.

Welcome back! We hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing and fun-filled summer holiday.

We are delighted to welcome the children to Year 2 and are looking forward to an exciting Autumn Term ahead. In this newsletter, you will find information about what the children will be learning across the curriculum, as well as important dates and reminders for the term.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to speak to **Miss Brookes or Mr Dudley** at our Somers Park site or **Miss Hartwright** at our Malvern Vale site at the beginning or end of the school day. Alternatively, you can contact us via the school office email.

We look forward to working with you and your child throughout the Autumn Term.

Reminders and notes

- Water bottles
- School uniform
- Labelling belongings
- Attendance and punctuality

Upcoming events and dates

12th October – OPAL Parent Event (1-3pm)
13th & 15th October – Parents Evening
26-30th October – HALF TERM
20th November – INSET day
18th December – Last day of term

What we are learning

English -

We will be:

- working hard to develop our presentation and handwriting.
- focusing on punctuating sentences correctly.
- using adjectives, verbs and adverbs consistently throughout our work.
- learning our weekly spellings in order to apply them correctly in our writing.
- sharing a variety of texts in English lessons.
- reading 1:1 with an adult at school.

Art and Design - Explore and draw

We will be:

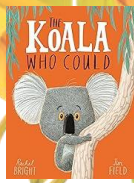
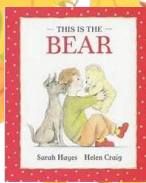
- exploring how some artists explore the world around them to help them find inspiration.
- exploring composition.
- practicing observational drawings.
- combining different drawing media such as wax resist and watercolour, graphite and water, wax crayon and pencils.

DT – Construction

We will be:

- Designing a tent for a refugee from the Great



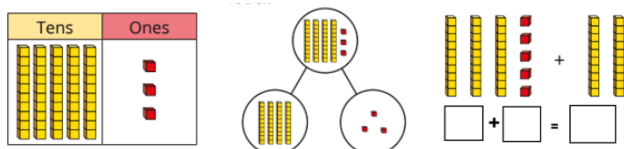


Mathematics –

In maths this term we will be learning about:

- Place value of digits in a two-digit number.
- Adding and subtracting single digit and two-digit numbers.
- Addition and subtraction facts, including using concrete objects, pictorial representations and calculating mentally.

Identify and describe the properties of 2D and 3D shapes.



Science – Animals including humans

We will be:

- noticing that animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults.
- finding out about and describing the basic needs of animals, including humans, for survival (water, food and air).
- describing the importance for humans of exercise, eating the right amounts of different types of food, and hygiene.



History – The Great Fire of London

In Autumn 1, we will be learning about the past, people and events, including investigating the Great Fire of London.



fire of London to keep them safe and dry.

- Evaluating tents and the materials/shapes used for construction.
- building and evaluating a tent choosing materials and fixing methods.

Computing

We will be looking at computing systems and networks and looking at digital media.

PE

We will be looking at **multi-skills** including: static balancing, co-ordination drills, using upper and lower body movements, travelling in different ways, showing clear transitions between movements and maintaining balance when changing direction. We use the skills learned in a variety of games.

Music

The children will be learning about dynamics and pitch in the first half of the term and then be looking at telling stories through instruments.

RE

Our enquiry is:

What is Islam and what do Muslims believe?

We will be learning to:

- explain who Muhammed was and describe how Muslims see God.
 - understand why some objects are important to Muslims.
 - explain the importance of Eid-ul-Fitr.
- compare our own beliefs with the beliefs of Islam.

PE

On **Mondays** and **Thursdays** 2EB & 2RD will be doing PE.

On **Thursdays** and **Fridays** Beech class will be doing PE.

When the children have Forest School, they will not do outdoor PE for that half-term.

Geography - Would you prefer to live in a hot or cold place?

In Autumn 2, we will be naming and locating the seven continents on a world map. We will be finding the North and the South Poles on a world map as well as the equator. We will be looking at some similarities and differences between the UK and



Chumbageni (recognising the features of hot and cold places).

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PSHE - My Healthy Self and Connecting with others

In PSHE we will be looking at:

- How moving our body makes us feel
- Importance of sleep and healthy foods
- How to make some healthy food and drink choices
- Keeping our teeth clean
- Showing our feelings
- Families

Home Learning

Reading:

Please read every night with your child. It does not have to be the whole book. Encourage a love for reading.

Spelling:

Spellings are handed out every Friday; the children will then write them in their spelling book and receive new spellings the following Friday.

Maths:

The children will still have access to Numbots and TTrockstars to practice their maths skills. In year 2, we focus on multiplying and dividing by 2, 5, 10 and 3.

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