



Welcome to Beech Class

Adults

- Mrs McIvor - Class Teacher
- Mrs Robson - Teaching Assistant (Everyday)
- Miss Walker - HLTA (Monday AM & Teaching on Wednesday AM)
- Mrs Humphries - TA (Tuesday AM & Thursday AM)
- Mr Graham - Wednesday AM & Friday AM

Daily routine

Most days...

Handwriting
Phonics
English
Assembly
Playtime (Fruit)
Mathematics
Lunch
Reading
Topic or Science or Art
Reading
Playtime
French or Music or PSHCE

The curriculum

- Children join Key Stage 1 this year and start the National Curriculum.
- Across the year children will move from learning through play towards more formal learning.
- English, Mathematics, Science and some computing & Art taught discretely.
- Geography, history, design and technology taught through topic lessons.

Autumn

Off Around the World

Spring

Magnificent Things

Summer

The Big Dig

Off To See the World

- Name the 5 oceans of the world
- Name the 7 Continents
- Find the equator & name the countries on it
- Make map
- Find the UK & name the countries
- Use aerial photos to sort human & physical details
- Use compass directions
- Find rainforests
- Name the different layers & impact animals & plants
- Identify human impact on rainforests & how we can improve it
- Trip being organised with year 2- rain forest animals & talk at Colchester Zoo

Reading

- Read as often as possible at home looking for digraphs that they haven't learnt
- Children do paired reading daily after lunch and are heard by the Teacher once a week and a TA once a week during this reading session.
- Not in stages anymore - sorted by phonic phases.
- Children change own books from given box or shelf.
- Oxford Reading Buddy - online comprehension (more details to follow)

Reading Strategies



- Use your sounds.
- Break up the word into smaller words.
- Use the picture clues.
- Read on.
- Check to see if it makes sense.
- Do you know any words that look similar?
- Segment the word into chunks.

Phonics

- StoryTime Phonics
- Daily 30 minutes based around a book and a video.



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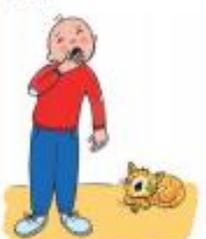
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Writing



- Cursive handwriting scheme Letter-join be practised at home:

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Tablet swipe code: capital L (starting top left)

- Daily handwriting to build up stamina and improve formation
- Weekly Big Write

Spelling

In year 1 children should revise

- All letters of the alphabet and the sounds which they most commonly represent
- Consonant digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent
- Vowel digraphs which have been taught and the sounds which they represent
- The process of segmenting spoken words into sounds before choosing graphemes to represent the sounds
- Words with adjacent consonants
- Guidance and rules which have been taught

Common Exception Words

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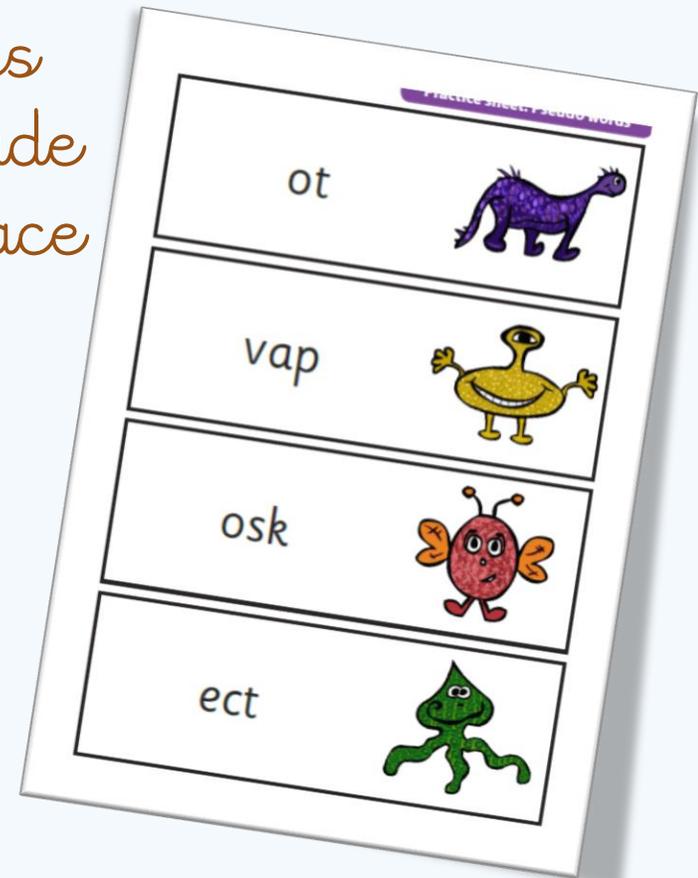
Phonics Screening Check

The Phonics Screening Check assesses children's phonics knowledge. It helps confirm whether children have made the expected progress. In 2020 the check will take place during the week beginning Monday 8th June.

How does the check work?

Children sit with Mrs McIvor and read a mixture of 40 real and made up words.

Normally takes 10 - 15 minutes but there is no time limit. If children struggle we can stop.



Home Learning

- Come to school on time everyday!
- Remember to name ANYTHING that is brought into school.
- Read as often as you can at home (not just school book)
- Practise handwriting 
- Look out for homework after half term
- Home Learning Books to help children practice spellings, phonics and number recognition

P.E

- Wednesday morning & Friday afternoon
- Please make sure the children have a P.E kit in school at all times
- Please make sure that every item is named.
- This term is Gymnastics & Dance

This term...

- Individual photos 17th October
- PD Day 28th October
- Parents' evening - 29th & 31st October
- Careers afternoon 1- 3pm
- Christmas production - December 10th
- Christmas dinner - December 12th
- Carol service - December 19th