

St. Peter's Academy - Newsletter

Beech Class.

Staff:

Mrs Gilbey – Beech Class Teacher
Additional support – Mrs Smith

Date: Friday 18th October 2024



General news:

As we head towards half term, it's been another busy week of learning as well as preparing for our forthcoming harvest service next Thursday in St Peter's Church at 10.00am. The children have enjoyed exploring further with the micro bits by creating their own flashing patterns (although the quality of internet connection was not great!) as well as testing air resistance in science with their own mini parachute! We have also been investigating the concept of pneumatics.

This week's other learning:

- Maths – as well as keeping times tables ticking along, we have been using inverse operations involving addition and subtraction and to solve a range of multi-step problems. We have also completed an assessment on place value.
- English – we have written persuasive paragraphs to promote a mountain walking holiday and are now ready to apply new skills to our hot write – 'Beach Holidays'
- History – we have looked at photo evidence from the dig at Yinxi and drawn conclusions from this.
- Geography – Climate zones
- P.E. – gymnastics and outdoor multi-sports.

Beech Class homework:

- Reading – children should aim to read at least 5 times a week and this can be recorded in the reading section of their new school diary.
 - Spellings – Your child will have a list of spellings in their diary to learn ready for either a test or dictation sentences next **Thursday**. As an extension, encourage your child to write their own definition for each word and/or write sentences to include each word.
 - The children have been given instructions for a project about forces and air resistance based on their bike! They will have 3 weeks to complete it, therefore this will replace all other homework until Friday 8th November (apart from spellings and reading)
 - Capital cities to find out for this week: Brazil, Sweden, United States of America.
- Mrs Gilbey's retrieval questions: – tell someone in your family!
- What is air resistance?
 - What do you know about the dig at Yinxi?
 - How many countries are there in the world?

Key dates coming up:

Please refer to the weekly at a glance and headteacher newsletters for these, as linked below.

[Headteacher Newsletter](#)

[Weekly at a glance](#)

Have a wonderful weekend,
Mrs Gilbey 😊