

# St. Peter's Academy – Newsletter

## Beech Class.

### Staff:

Mrs Gilbey – Beech Class Teacher  
Additional support – Mrs Smith.

Date: Friday 28th March 2025



### General news:

Another busy week! We have just about finished our Spring term assessments and are now coming to the end of the topic units for this term.

On Wednesday, we enjoyed a special assembly that was delivered by local author, Claire Clements. She spoke to all the children about positivity before reading her wonderful book 'Put on Your Positive Pants' In the afternoon, we spent a session with Jade from the children's mental health support team. Her focus was resilience and techniques to build our resilience up.

### This week's other learning:

- Maths – as well as keeping times tables and our mental maths ticking along, we are now back onto fractions! This week we have looked at multiplying a unit, a non-unit and mixed fractions by an integer.
- English – The children have spent the week finishing off various assessments as well as starting a short unit of work on poetry – they have enjoyed reading and analysing the poem 'The Red Fox' by Robert MacFarlane and from this, have written a similar version of their own entitled 'The Snowy Owl'.
- Science – We have looked at and discussed the different stages of ageing and the children have produced some excellent pieces of work to reflect their knowledge of this.
- Geography – If the excitement of the Jersey potato wasn't enough, we have been learning about the journey of bananas this week – from being harvested to reaching our supermarket shelves!
- P.E. – fitness and multi-sport skills.
- Art – some creative cards for a special day this Sunday!

### Beech Class homework:

- Reading – children should aim to read at least 3 times a week and this can be recorded in the reading section of the school diary. For children to gain 'points' towards their bronze, silver, gold and platinum bookmarks, all reading must be signed by an adult by the Friday of each week.
- Spellings – Please review all spelling lists from this half term for a mixed test next Friday.
- Maths – Please revise all times tables thoroughly for a quick-fire speed test next Friday. This will now be a weekly requirement as part of homework to increase speed of recall.
- Final homework for this term:  
I have given each child a copy of most of the capital cities learnt this term. I would like them to revisit the answers to each of these and remember as many as possible in readiness for a mega capital city quiz (in pairs) next Friday! There will be small Easter related prizes for effort!  
I would also like the children to carry out their Mother's Day pledge (you should find this inside your card!) – I shall look forward to checking up with your children next week! I think some of you are in for a real treat on Sunday!  
**Mrs Gilbey's retrieval questions: – tell someone in your family!**
- In maths, what do we mean by an integer?
- In poetry, what is a stanza?

### 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 😊