

# St. Peter's Academy – Newsletter

## Beech Class.

### Staff:

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

Date: Friday 20th June 2025



### General news:

We have enjoyed an extremely busy week with lots to fit in! Our sports day will take place next Wednesday morning (25<sup>th</sup> June) on the school field. In preparation for this, the children have now selected their events. It has been a very hot week weather wise, and I am pleased that most children have been applying sun cream and have both a sunhat and water bottle – they will definitely need this for sports day, especially if the warm weather continues, as there is very little shade available on the field. We have also started to increase our rehearsal time for the Year 5 and 6 end of year show – Cinderella and Rockerfella. All Year 5 children have a very important role in the show and are involved as singing support throughout. Please let the office know immediately if your child is not going to be available for both performances (Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July) We now have a 'new look' school website – check it out

### This week's other learning:

- Maths – As well as keeping times tables and mental maths ticking along, we are now covering several different objectives in maths. The children are enjoying their work on shape properties and activities based around position and direction.
- English – We have now started our final Talk for Writing unit. It is fiction based on the text 'The Time Slip Scarab' We wrote fantastic portal stories for our cold write and are now looking at the main text in more detail.
- Music – Our work in this area has been to rehearse the many songs for the forthcoming show.
- History – We have discussed social hierarchy in Ancient Greek times.
- R.E. – We have now completed our story boards, retelling 'Dog King Silver' in our own way. The story has a strong theme of both freedom and justice.

Please note that all Friday testing and reading diary checks will take place on Thursday next week as Friday is a school INSET day.

### 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 end of each week.
- 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.
- Maths – Please revise all times tables thoroughly for a quick-fire speed test next Thursday. This will now be a weekly requirement as part of homework to increase speed of recall.
- Please complete and return the activities based around current learning for both Maths and English. The maths activity this week is revision of shape with a focus on polygons and quadrilaterals. For English, please complete the short reading comprehension about life in Ancient Greece.
- Capital cities to learn for next Friday: Bahamas, Libya, Zimbabwe (mega quiz coming up very soon!)

### Mrs Gilbey's retrieval questions: – tell someone in your family!

- What do you know about social hierarchy in Ancient Greek times?
- In maths, explain your way of remembering which is the x axis and which is the y axis.

### Key dates coming up:

Please refer to the weekly at a glance and headteacher newsletters for these, as linked below. We now have a 'new look' school website – check it out here:

[Headteacher Newsletter](#)

[Weekly at a glance](#)

Have a wonderful (warm!) weekend,

Mrs Gilbey 😊