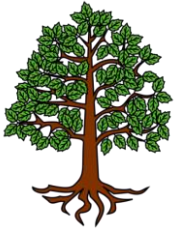


September 2017



Beech Class Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the new school year; I hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing summer holiday.

We have a very exciting year ahead of us, first and foremost with our new topic, Home Sweet Home. We will be learning about the Anglo Saxons and differences in houses in various continents and time periods throughout history. We will be learning about Geography, History, Art and DT through Home Sweet Home this term, until Christmas.

- If possible, could you provide your child with an apron or old t-shirt and with some newspaper to help keep their uniform and the tables clean during art and DT lessons.

In Maths we will be focusing on the four main operations, as well as developing our knowledge of decimals, fractions and percentages.

In Literacy we will be focusing on one text per half term, covering different genres of writing based upon the text. Where possible, our topic of Home Sweet Home will also be linked to Maths and Literacy. Our Science topic this term is Rocks, during which we will be learning through practical activities and investigations.

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday to be handed in on a Wednesday. Children will receive times table practice and spellings to learn weekly. Maths and Literacy work will be set on alternating weeks, one week the children will receive maths work linked to what we are doing in class, and the following they will receive a literacy-based task.

From September 2017 Religious Education (RE) will be following the Kent Agreed Syllabus (KAS) which incorporates the new resource "Understanding Christianity". Each unit has a key question which is developed over a school term. Key questions are also being developed for other faiths that are part of the KAS.

In Terms 1 and 2 our key questions to explore are:

What do Christians learn from the Creation Story? What is the Trinity? (Christianity)

PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays, please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school; I will encourage the children to bring these home periodically for washing during the term.

I look forward to working with you throughout the year; please make an appointment to meet with me if you have any concerns regarding your child.

Kind regards,

Mr Kent

Beech Class Teacher