

# Spring Term 1 Overview—Beech Class—2023/24

**Literacy**

**Key Text: The Tunnel**

**Purpose for writing: Setting and Atmosphere**

**Grammar: / Word Reading / Comprehension:**

We will begin our literacy this term by practicing our short burst writing to ensuring we have consolidated all the elements of writing learnt in the Autumn term.

We will then complete our writing unit on creating a setting description with an appropriate atmosphere. This will build on our previous unit and develop children's ability to use carefully chosen vocabulary and sentence structures for maximum effect.

In our guided reading lessons we will focus on the key skill of explain and look at how to use information from the text to .

**Computing**

**Focus: Writing for different audiences**

This term in computing we will learn that technology can be used to organise, reorganise, develop, and explore ideas, and that working with information in this way can aid understanding.

**Quest: Romans—Invaders**

In this quest, we will be learning all about the Romans as invaders. We will look at how the Roman Empire spread across Europe and the impact that this has had on the modern world.

**Maths**

**Year 4 Multiplication and division; measurement—length and perimeter**

We will begin our learning this term with focusing on understanding how to multiply and divide by 10, 100 and 1000. We will then move on to the formal written method of both multiplication and division with three by 1 numbers.

We will finish the term by learning how to calculate the perimeter of a shape, including shapes with missing lengths.

**Year 5 Multiplication and division— fractions**

Year 5s will also begin their maths learning about multiplication and division. They will be learning how to multiply 4 by 2 digit numbers using the formal written method. They will also look at dividing with remainders.

They will then move onto learning about fractions. They will focus on multiplying a mixed number by an integer.

**History/Art**

**History**

This term in history we will be looking at the Romans. Our first term will be dedicated to looking at the Romans as invaders. We will learn about how the Roman Empire spread across Europe to be the dominant force at the time. We will explore successful Roman Emperors and their significant actions.

**Art — Collage**

In art this term we will be mainly focusing on portrait drawing. We will learn about famous painters and their portraits before exploring different drawing techniques that are specific to drawing faces. At the end of our quest, we will use different media to draw portraits of famous Roman Emperors,

**Music**

**Focus: Make you feel my love**

This term in music, we will be basing our learning on the famous Adele song. We will exploring music technique and playing our instruments to various parts of the song.

**PE**

**Focus: Cognitive Skills/Real Gym** In REAL PE this term, we will be focusing on our cognitive skills as we continue to develop our fundamental movement skills. In Real Gym this term, we will learn about core strength, balance and flexibility.

**PHSE/RSE**

**Focus: Dreams and Goals** In PSHE we will focus on looking at how our ambitions and dreams can shape our future. We will focus learning on facing challenge and overcoming difficulties.

**Science**

**Focus: Physics – Earth and Space**

**Working Scientifically**

In science this term we will be looking into space. We will learn about the planets that make up our solar system. We will be discovering the relationships between the earth, the sun and the moon and how their movements drive night and day and the seasons.

**RE**

**Focus: What does it mean if God is Holy and Loving?**

In RE this term we be looking at how Christians view their relationship with God and the benefits this can have on their lives.

**Foreign Languages**

**Focus: Ice Cream**

In French this term, we will be looking at different ice creams and how to order the flavour we prefer.