



**Over the last week at Beechwood, and looking forward.....**

Foundation Stage — Butterflies have started their new topic of 'We Can Be Heroes'; this week we are learning about real life superheroes and people who help us. In Drawing Club, we have been really enjoying the story 'Supertato', yesterday we made our own supertatoes and today we had a visit from the 'evil pea' who caused a lot of mischief in our classroom, we made wanted posters to put around the school for people to help us find him!

Year 1— We have learnt about doubles to 20 this week in Maths and we will move on to subtraction. In Science we carry on learning about materials so we tested 6 different materials for its stretchiness as another property. In English we have been writing about the story of 'The Snow Thief' and in Computing we started our new unit 'Grouping data' by labelling and matching.

Year 2— In Year 2 we have listened to the story of *The Elephant's Child* by Rudyard Kipling and learned how the elephant got his trunk. We learned how a story is structured using a story mountain. In Maths we continued developing our multiplication skills using arrays. In our Science unit of animals including humans, we looked at features of living things.

Year 3— Year 3 are very much looking forward to their outing on Thursday to *The Living Rainforest*, which will link beautifully with our current Reading and Writing topic and help bring our learning to life. In Science, we will be decorating our reflective garden and planting wildflower seeds to encourage bees and support our local environment. In Maths, we are continuing our learning about fractions and scales. We are looking forward to a short but very busy and productive term!

Year 4— Year 4 have started the new term at the deep end and have been getting on with the serious business of Mixed and Improper Fractions in maths. In English, we are writing a narrative story based on the Lighthouse. We are looking forward to starting Handball in PE and in French we have been learning to say what foods we like to eat.

Year 5— Year 5 have started their new topic, which focuses on *The Tudor Period*. In English they have been looking at a range of biographies and in maths they have started to look at percentages and the relationship with fractions.

Year 6— In Year 6 we have been writing descriptive settings based on the book, 'Oh Maya Gods' - students have been developing their 'show not tell' techniques. Within History we have begun learning about the Mayans - who they were, where and when they lived and what evidence we have to show they existed. In our RE lessons, we have been learning about people who have inspired us - using the iPads to research and find facts about the people that have influenced us.

**House Points**

**Outstanding  
Oranges  
141**



**Amazing  
Apples  
76**



**Super  
Strawberries  
269**



**Brilliant  
Bananas  
290**



**Congratulations to the Brilliant Bananas who are this weeks leaders!**

**ONLINE SAFETY INFORMATION ZONE**

**This half term, our online safety focus will be, health, wellbeing and lifestyle.**

**Balancing your screen time can be tricky!** You need to understand that spending too much time online can sometimes affect your mood, sleep, or friendships. Balance your screen time with outdoor play, reading, or other fun activities.

Watch this video which will explain more: [Watch here!](#)

**Dates for your diary:**

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| Thursday 26th February             | — Year 2 and Year 3 Trip                           |
| Wednesday 4th March                | — Kites Class Assembly — 2.30pm                    |
| Thursday 5th March                 | — World Book Day                                   |
| Friday 6th March                   | — Books & Biscuits — 2.30pm                        |
| Wednesday 11th March               | — Foxes Class Assembly — 2.30pm                    |
| Monday 16th & Wednesday 18th March | — Parents Consultations—More information to follow |
| Tuesday 24th March                 | — Easter Service. Year 3 — Year 6. 1.30pm          |
| Wednesday 25th March               | — Falcons Class Assembly — 2.30pm                  |
| Thursday 26th March                | — Rocksteady Concert — 9.30am                      |
| <b>Friday 27th March</b>           | <b>— End of Term — 1.15pm</b>                      |