

### Things to do at home:

- ◇ Read as often as you can—there are opportunities everywhere. Reading is paramount to your child's academic progress.
- ◇ Purple Mash has a huge range of fun and engaging activities.
- ◇ The children are enjoying using Spelling Shed and this is a super resource to practice new spelling patterns.
- ◇ Visit [thinkuknow.co.uk](http://thinkuknow.co.uk) to explore online safety through games and videos.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact Miss Broad or Mrs Williams. We will always be happy to help and support you.

### Notices

What a fabulous first half term the children have had! We have enjoyed getting back into a routine. The children feel happy and secure in their classroom and this is helping them to make lots of progress. It is a pleasure to see them developing confidence and a 'can do' attitude to learning!

### Reminders:

- ◇ P.E. is Tuesday morning and Wednesday afternoon. Please ensure your child/ren wear their PE kit on these days.
- ◇ Reading books will be changed on Tuesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has their book on these days.
- ◇ Homework will be sent home on Friday to be returned the following Wednesday.
- ◇ New spellings will be sent home on Friday after a the children have a spelling test on Thursday.

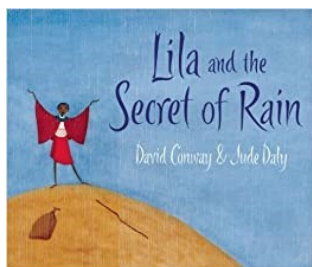
## Welcome to Beech Class



## Curriculum Newsletter

**Autumn 2  
2020**

Some of the texts we will be exploring this half term :



**'Lila and the Secret of Rain'** by David Conway and Judy Daly.



**'Meerkat Mail'** by Emily Gravett

Texts are subject to change based on children's evolving interests.

### Mathematics

- ◇ Adding and subtracting by making 10
- ◇ Adding and subtracting 10s
- ◇ Adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers
- ◇ Exploring and recognising the value of coins and begin to add values together
- ◇ Recall and use multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers

### English

- ◇ Beginning to spell words using the correct grapheme as our phonic knowledge improves
- ◇ Exploring texts by using reading skills of inference and retrieval
- ◇ Exploring word classes such as adverbs and proper nouns
- ◇ Using expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and different sentence types in their writing

### Geography: Around the World

- ◇ Learning the names of the continents of the world
- ◇ Exploring each of the continents and learning more about life and customs on each continent

### Science: Investigating with Materials

- ◇ To draw conclusions from results of simple scientific experiments
- ◇ Exploring the contributions of material science to our everyday lives

### Design & Technology

- ◇ Designing and making a Christmas decoration.
- ◇ Exploring simple needlework techniques.

### Computing: Digital Animations

- ◇ Creating a simple animation of the Christmas story

### Music: Ho, Ho, Ho!

- ◇ Learning to clap, repeat and create rhythms
- ◇ Continuing to find the pulse in a piece of music
- ◇ Exploring pitch

In RE, we will be answering the big question:

**What are festivals and why do we have them?**