

Welcome to Beech Class



Information for parents
September 2020



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It has been a pleasure to welcome your children back into school this September.

Beech class teachers are Miss Long, who teaches on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesday mornings, Thursday and Friday and Mrs Stevenson, who teaches Wednesday afternoon.

The teaching assistants for KS2 are Mrs Williams, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Collins and Mrs Baleani.

General information

Drop off and collection for children is via the back school gate that leads onto the Rec.

Drop off time: 8.50pm

Collection time: 3.10pm

If you have more than one child at Box, it is fine for you to drop off all of your children at the time of your earliest drop off but please collect each child at their class's allocated time.

If you need to get a message to the class teacher, please call the office on 01225 742663 or alternatively send an email to admin@box.wilts.sch.uk. The information will be shared quickly.

Clothing and water bottles

Please can all clothing and belongings be clearly labelled with your child's name. At this current time, we are not able to store lost property so it would be useful to reunite any strayed items with their owner as quickly as possible.

Please can your child bring a labelled water bottle to school every day as they are not able to use the water fountains at the moment.

Mixed age classes and the curriculum

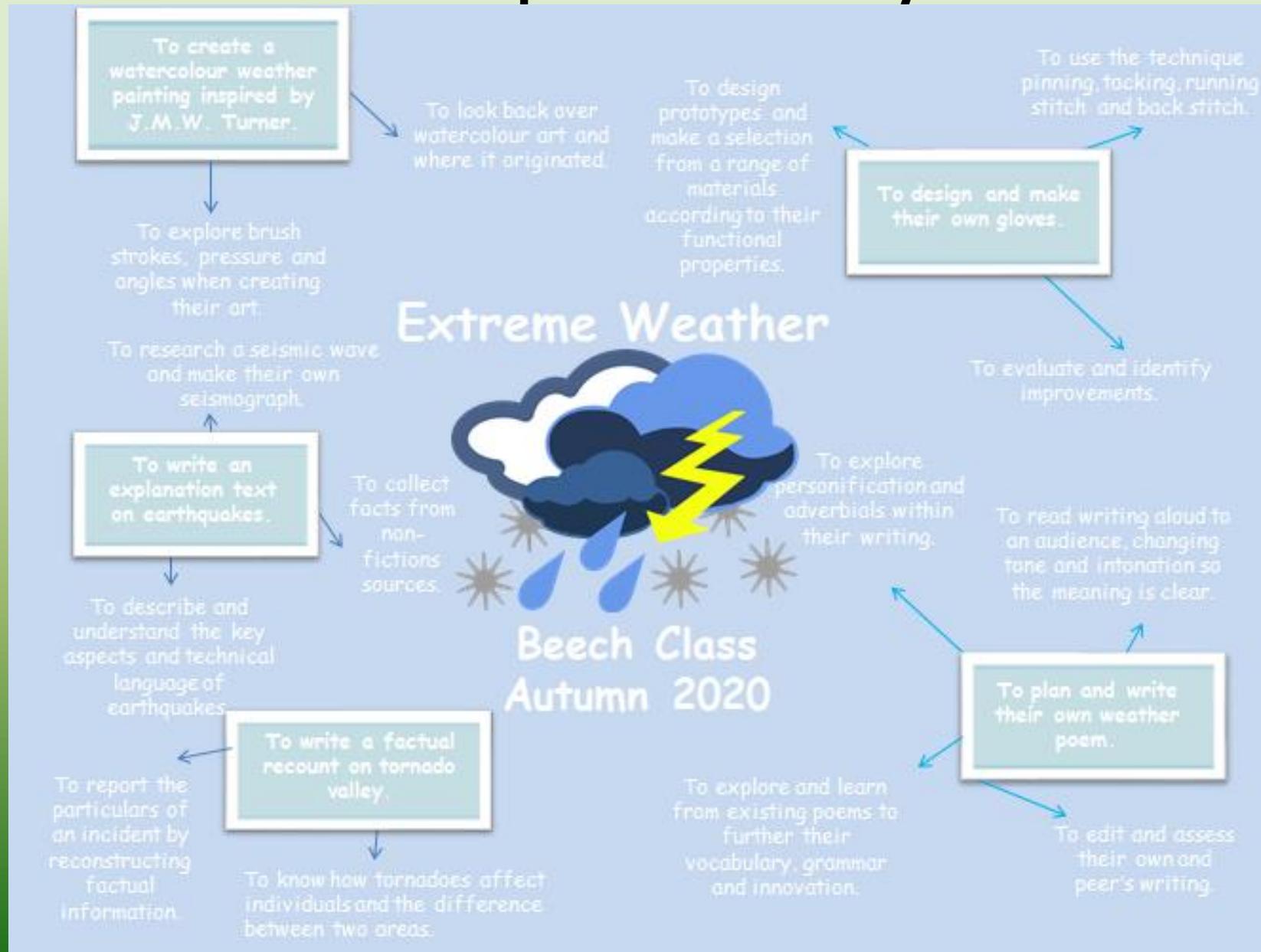
The children in Beech Class are made up of the majority of year 4 children and the oldest year 3 children.

They receive a broad and balanced curriculum based upon year group objectives from the National Curriculum.

We have a rolling curriculum programme which means that no topic is repeated in any two year cycle. Some key skills may be repeated to ensure that children are secure on the basics.

The children who were in Beech Class last academic year as year 3s are now a year 4s in Beech Class with a different curriculum and expectations.

This term's topic and key outcomes



Timetables

P.E. is on a Monday and a Tuesday. Please can your child only bring trainers/daps at the moment, not a full PE kit.

New spellings will be given out each Thursday and the spelling test will be on Wednesday.

Home learning will usually be set on a Friday to be handed in on the following Wednesday. This may occasionally change if, for example, a project homework is set.

A book review needs to be completed weekly in their reading diary but do let us know if the book review is becoming a barrier to reading for pleasure.

School Rules

- Follow instructions
- Look after each other
- Look after our environment
- Share
- Be polite
- Walk around the school
- Have fun

Class rules

- To always give everything 100%
- To persevere through challenges
- To be kind to each other and treat others how we want to be treated.
- To always ask questions if unsure
- To listen when the teacher is giving instructions
- To respect others in the class if they are sharing
- To embrace our marvellous mistakes

Extra Coronavirus Rules

- Follow our school rules
- Say goodbye to the adult bringing you to school at the rec. gate.
- Wash your hands as soon as you come into school, before you eat, after playtime and before you use equipment that other people will touch.
- Stay in your bubble at all times.
- Stay in your place in the classroom unless you are told you can move
- Keep your belongings on your chair or under your table
- Use the outside doors to the classrooms as much as possible and avoid using the corridors

Extra Coronavirus Rules

- Only one person can go into any of the toilets at a time and only one person may queue outside of the toilet
- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or a tissue ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and then wash your hands
- Avoid touching your mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- Tell an adult if you don't feel well.
- Bring a water bottle and packed lunch to school and only eat and drink your food
- Only play in the area you have been told to play in. Do not mix with anyone from another bubble.
- When you are not in school make sure that you complete your home learning

Reading

Please can your child have their reading book with them every day as we will read in class daily. We have a good selection of books in class which they can borrow (please can they be returned when finished!) or they are more than welcome to bring in a reading book from home.

A really important way in which you can help is to listen to your child read aloud regularly, even though it is likely that they are now accurate and fluent. Discussing character motives, plot, historical contexts, settings etc. really helps develop comprehension skills.

Some children are reluctant readers; please do get in touch if you would like some tips on how to overcome this.

Home learning

Home learning will be set weekly and will consist of either maths or English, though from time to time we will set a 'making' or research project. You will find a copy of the home work policy on the school website

In addition to this, children need to read regularly at home, practise their spellings and practise their recall of times tables and basic number facts - doubling/halving etc.

Getting in touch

Please do get in touch with the class teachers if there is anything that you are unsure about or if there is anything you or your child are worried about. Please do not let a worry turn into a problem. We are available to give you a ring most days after school; the exception to this is a Wednesday which is our staff meeting day.

Thank you for your support.

Miss Long

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