# Beech Class Welcome Newsletter

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**HELLO**, we are so happy to welcome you all to year 5! We have got a busy and enjoyable year planned full of learning experiences, fabulous reading texts and lots of art opportunities. If at any point you need to speak to one of us, please use Class Dojo, email the school office, or try and catch us on the gate after school. Mrs Calder, Mrs Weight, Mrs Mann

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Children are expected to wear uniform everyday. Last year we introduced active uniform which means that children can wear **black** trainers, **black** leggings/joggers, if they wish allowing them to be more active during play and lunch times. Smart grey trousers and skirts/pinafores are still part of the uniform too. Plain white polo shirts and school jumpers/cardigans should still be worn.

On PE days, the children should come in in their kits and wear them all day. **NO** earings are to be worn during PE, they are not allowed to be taped, please ensure your child can take them out themselves or that they do not wear them at all.

Please could the children have wellies in school, so that we can go on the field and into the forest, even on those wet days.

### This term we are:

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In history we will be learning about Ancient Greece. This will feed into our class reading book, where we will be reading Who Let The Gods Out by Maz Evans. This book is both thought provoking and funny and gives me lots of opportunities to practise my voices for the characters!

In English, we will be writing a narrative, an explanation text and making predictions about the text based on descriptions and illustrations.

In Maths we will begin the term by looking at Place Value and we will then move on to Addition and Subtraction.

In RE our big question will be 'God – What does it mean if God is holy and loving?'.

In Science we will be investigating Materials – we will be looking at changes both reversible and irreversible, classifying materials and thermal conductivity.

#### Key vocabulary to learn:

Democracy, philosophy, reversible, irreversible, conductivity place value, modal verbs, verb prefixes, fronted adverbials, direct speech.

## Notices:

- Homework expectations reading (minimum 3 times a week), times-tables and spellings.
- PE days Monday and Thursday
- Contact books in school every day please.

Reminder – don't forget to check Class Dojo and Twitter (X) to see what we have been up to! ©

## Term Dates:

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September

– Railway Safety Trip to

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Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Kent Life Trip

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Individual Photographer

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>/Wednesday18th October – Parents evening