

Year 5 Newsletter Spring 2024

Hello and welcome back to the new year at Beechwood! We are all so excited to see you back with us and hope you are ready to learn.

Spring term

Our topic this term will be World War Two. We will be studying the lives of people in this time period both in Leeds and across the world. If you have any artefacts or information you would like to share with us then feel free to speak to any of the adults in Y5. Please also see the Home Learning Mat which will be on the website and is also in the Home School Diary.

If you would like to start finding out information about Victorians at home then that would be a great start to your learning.

As part of our English we will also be reading the novel "Goodnight Mr Tom" by author Michelle Magorian.

We have got Matthew Bellwood coming in to work with us to explore the Home Front and life in the UK during the war. We are also booked into Lotherton Hall as part of this topic to explore the life of evacuee children. We will send out further information on ParentMail.

Home-school diaries

All children have received a new home school diary this week. They are filled with lots of information to help support your child's learning at home. Please help your child to look after these and make sure they are in school every day. We'd love to see any reading, homework or extra learning your child has done at home recorded each week.

P.E.

Our P.E. days are Mondays and Fridays every week this half term. On these days, please send your child to school wearing a suitable P.E. kit. Mondays will be with GT Sports where the children will be learning how to play Dodgeball, Friday's will be Yoga sessions. Children should not wear crop tops or footwear that is not suitable for sporting activities e.g. flip flops. On P.E. days we ask that earrings are removed if possible.

Water bottles

Please send your child to school with a named water bottle every day. Their bottles must only have water in them to drink during the day.

Reading books

Your child should have already brought a reading book home. Please make sure they bring their book to school every day. Please try and read with your child every day or at least three times a week. In class we keep a reading record and children will receive a prize and a certificate every half term for reading three times a week.

Homework

Spellings will be sent home every Monday to learn at home for a test in school on Friday. Children also now have a log in for Ed Shed where they will be set tasks to complete to help them learn their spellings. These tasks will be completed in school and the children are also able to log on at home for extra practise. Please help your child to practise these everyday using the 'Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check' sheet. Maths homework will be sent home on Fridays to be returned the following Thursday and will be given out next week.

Many thanks

Mrs Haylings, Mrs Sturman and Miss Borges