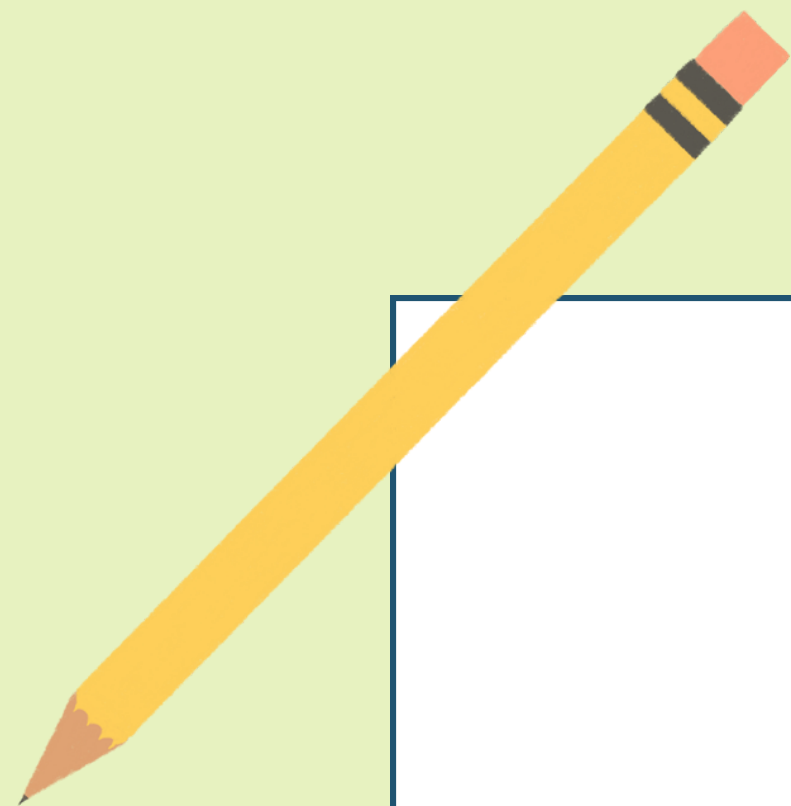


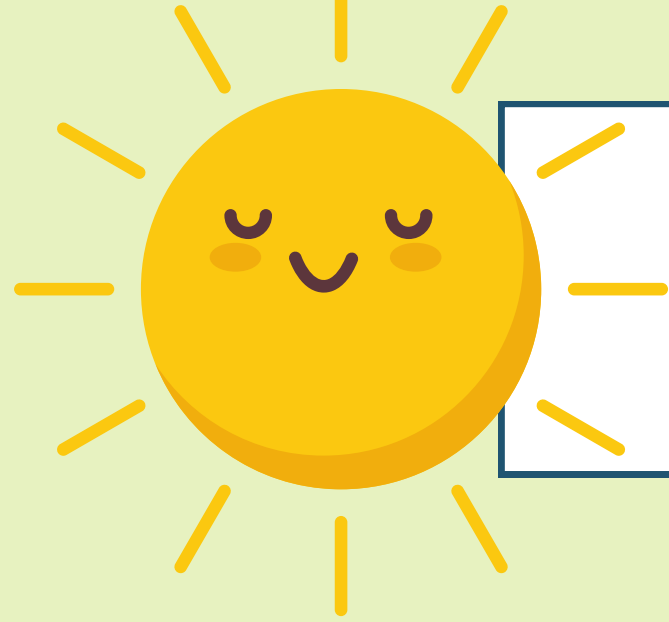


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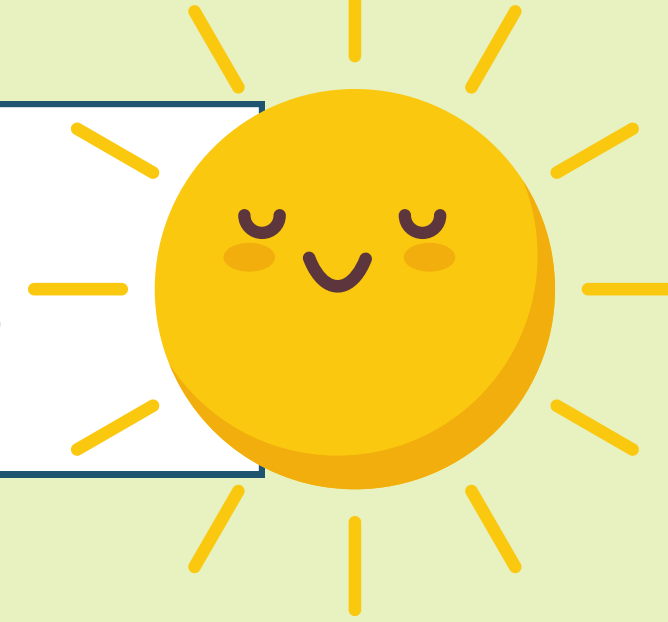
Year One

at Beechwood Primary School





Introductions



Miss Tobin-
class 3 teacher



Miss Scrivens-
class 4 teacher



Miss Bulmer-
teaching assistant

Miss Richards-
teaching assistant

Miss Mathers-
HLTA
Class 3 Tuesday



Miss Baldwin-
HLTA
Class 4 Tuesday

What will we be learning?



This term we will be exploring 'Who Am I?' We will be thinking about changes over time in how the children have developed since birth, as well as similarities/differences between the experiences of parents and grandparents. Our focus in Science will be all about 'Using our Senses'. We have planned an exciting visit to Eureka for later in the term. Later on this year one of our topics will be Food from Many Nations and we will explore the history of food and food around the world. In the final term our topic is Houses and Homes around the World and we even visit a castle!

Golden Opportunities

BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL **Golden Opportunities**  **YEAR 1**

We will have the opportunity to:

 create our own role play areas	 take part in a sensory workshop	 visit Eureka	 go on a bear hunt in school grounds	 visit Temple Newsam House to make our own art	 visit a farm
 make our own moving toy	 take part in drama based on the story Train Ride	 collect leaves to make our own art	 go to a celebration assembly	 watch a Jack and the Beanstalk puppet show	 make a hand puppet
 make art on the computer	 visit York Chocolate Story	 read stories outside	 do some cooking	 learn to make music with BambooTambourine	 take part in a maths picnic
 taste food from around the world	 go on a treasure hunt	 sit around a camp fire	 visit Skipton Castle	 go on a plant hunt	 build houses outside
 learn to weave	 feed the birds	 visit a church in the local area	 read a story aloud to classmates	 learn my address	 hunt for mini-beasts

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BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL **Golden Opportunities**  **Before you leave Beechwood you will have the opportunity to:**

 make something to sell	 learn about the library reading challenges	 learn about Remembrance Day	 raise money for charity	 take part in an assembly	 learn and perform different poems
 learn to be resilient, calm, confident, creative and wise through My Mental Health Rocks	 meet an author	 set up your own art exhibition	 become a Beechwood playground leader	 become an eco-warrior	 stand for school council
 choose different after-school clubs	 experience Beechwood Bake-off	 observe Black History Month	 learn about Diwali	 find out about Hanukkah	 learn about Christmas
 celebrate Chinese New Year	 take part in International Women's Day	 find out about Eid	 learn about Pride	 observe Refugee Day	 take part in Afro Hair Day
 be part of Spirit Alive!	 Perform on a stage	 Learn PE skills with a professional sports coach	 Help to look after our school gardens	 Experience learning in the amphitheatre	 Consider what we might like to do in the future

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More Opportunities

School visits have been carefully planned to complement our school curriculum.

In year 1 we visit-
Eureka, Tropical World, Skipton Castle.



School Council
After-school clubs
Breakfast club

Premier Education

SCAN TO FIND OUT MORE

Academic year 2024-25

Wraparound Care for Beechwood Primary School

NEW for September 2025!!
Before and after school wrap around care from 07:30 until 17:30
Look out for more information on how to book in the coming weeks.

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Based on over 20,000 reviews

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RE

At Beechwood, we follow the Believing and Belonging RE syllabus, which was recently updated this year. Our approach promotes inclusivity, respect and tolerance, ensuring all pupils gain a broad understanding of diverse beliefs and practices. Educational visits play a key role in bringing learning to life, offering real-world experiences that deepen pupils' understanding of different faiths. We also celebrate Interfaith Week with a rich programme of visitors, workshops and assemblies taking place during the year; fostering a respectful and open-minded school community.

R.E visits during your child's learning
journey at Beechwood

Reception – Visit to St. Richard's
Church

Year 2 – Visit to St. James's Church

Year 3 – Visit to a local Mosque

Year 5 – Visit to a local Synagogue

Our classrooms





Home learning

Your child will receive spellings once a week when we feel they are ready.

This will be different for different groups of children.

Children are asked to read at least 3 times a week and this should be
recorded in their home learning diaries.

Please bring in the home learning diary every day.

Topic Vocabulary

Before - at an earlier time; in the past

After - later in time

In the past - gone by in time

Now - at this time

Last year - a year ago.

This year - From January

A long time ago - far in the past

Different - not the same

Changed - to become different

Similar - having a likeness

Autumn Term Learning Grid for Year 1

Who am I?



Historical Facts to Learn

- History means things that have happened in the past.
- Toys were mainly made out of wood, paper or metal during Victorian times.
- Rich Victorian children played with toys such as clockwork trains, rocking horses, tea sets and dolls.
- Poorer children played with homemade toys such as peg dolls, wooden boats and rags stuffed with sawdust to make balls or toy animals.

Home Learning Challenge Ideas

Please could your child bring in anything they do at home. They can share it with their class and we can show it on the school website.

- **Interview a grandparent** - What do they remember about being a child? Ask them about their favourite toy? What was school like?
- **Postcard** - Create a postcard from a holiday or day out you remember. Draw a picture from your memory.
- **Toys from the past** - bring in a toy from the past. This could belong to you or your parent or even a grandparent.
- **Family tree** - make a family tree to show how your family fits together. This could be a drawing, craft or using real tree parts and photographs!
- **Game time** - play a board game or outdoor game from that past which does not involve a screen.
- **Timeline** - Use a range of photos from birth to now to create a timeline.

Useful Weblinks

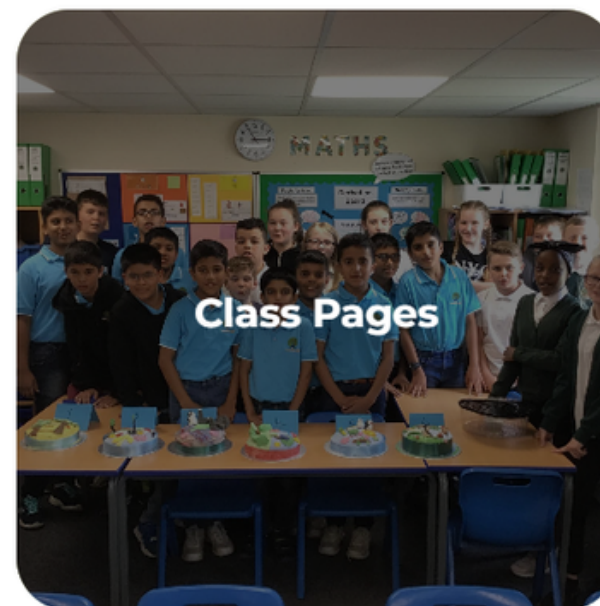
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<https://learnenglishkids.britishcouncil.org/category/topics/toys>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/homework-help/history-toys>

Website

Beechwood's website is a fantastic place to find out policies, important school information and updates.



SEL

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) at Beechwood Primary School means understanding our thoughts, emotions, triggers and body signals so we can manage ourselves, build positive relationships with empathy and kindness, and make responsible choices that help us all be happy.



Our Golden Rules

At Beechwood Primary School, positive behaviour supports learning and wellbeing.

We create a calm, safe and inclusive environment where:

- Every child feels valued, safe and able to learn
- Respectful relationships are at the heart of our community
- Behaviour is understood as communication
- Mistakes are opportunities for learning and growth



Houses

BEECHWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL – OUR HOUSE SYSTEM



OUR VISION

Our house system is at the heart of our behaviour approach. It celebrates our school values and encourages children to make positive choices every day. By recognising the behaviours we value, we help every child grow into the best version of themselves.



THE BIG IDEA

Just like a forest, every tree is unique, and together they create something strong and beautiful. At Beechwood, we grow together.

Four Houses, One Community, Growing Together

OUR FOUR HOUSES



OAK

RESILIENCE

Stand tall.
Stay strong.
Keep growing.



ROWAN

COURAGE

Be brave.
Have a go.



SILVER BIRCH

KINDNESS

Kind hearts.
Kind words.
Kind actions.



HAWTHORN

RESPECT

Respect everyone.
Respect everything.



HOW IT WORKS

- Staff award house points when they see children following our Golden Rules.
- Points are added to the children's house.
- House points are celebrated weekly in our house assembly.
- The winning house is awarded the Beechwood House Cup!



OUR EXPECTATIONS

- Be consistent and fair when awarding house points.
- Link points to the value demonstrated.
- Celebrate the positive – thank children for their choices.
- Encourage friendly competition and team spirit.
- Remember: our focus is on growing together, not just winning.



TOGETHER WE GROW

Four Houses • Four Values • One Community



New 2026 uniform

- white or dark green plain t-shirt or polo
- Black jogging bottoms, leggings, shorts or skorts
- Dark green sweatshirt
- Head coverings can be worn in any colour
- Trainers
- Wellies to be kept in school
- Waterproof coat/jacket

Uniform



This change is to ensure children are ready to learn in all weathers. Children may come home dirty after amazing outdoor learning opportunities!

Please name EVERY item of clothing so it can be easily returned to your child!

Nail varnish, false nails, dyed / extreme hair styles and temporary tattoos are not appropriate for school.



Our vision is that every child in every school has *an amazing hour of high-quality play every day* – with no exceptions

OPAL



This year we have become an OPAL (outdoor play and learning school)!

We access the outdoors every day in all weather.

We encourage children to wear waterproof coats when needed. Children can also bring wellies that can be kept at school so that they can access outdoors in all weathers!

Routines

All children will wait on the playground accompanied by an adult.

We ask that no ball games are played before or after school and bikes and scooters must not be ridden in the playground, ensuring safety of pupils and adults. Class teachers will come out to collect their class at 8:40 am and children will line up.

At home time, classes will be brought out to meet their parents/carers into the Key Stage 1 playground at 3:10. Please do not call your child out of the class line. We will hand them over to you. We appreciate your patience as we want to ensure safety. Please let us know if someone different is collecting your child.

Who can I speak too?

Your child's teacher and teaching assistant will be available to speak to quickly on the playground in the morning and afternoon.

For any bigger queries or conversations, please speak to our office team and they can arrange a meeting or a phone call with your child's class teacher.

A member of our SLT will be available each morning on the school grounds.

What do I need?

Children are asked to bring a water bottle into school each day. We ask that these contain water (no flavoured drinks are allowed). Water bottles should be labelled.

Children should bring their home learning diary to school each day—please record any home learning and reading completed at home in these. Teachers will check these weekly.

No toys from home are allowed to stay in school.

Attendance

In order for your child to enjoy all that is on offer at Beechwood and to ensure that they make the excellent progress that we know they can, it is important that they are in school each day on time. We have many exciting attendance rewards.

Key dates

PE- Monday (both classes)

Thursday- class 3

Friday- class 4

Reading books changed every Friday

Black History Month assembly, Tuesday 20th October, 2:30 pm

Christmas performance- Tuesday 15th , 2:30pm and Thursday 17th , 9:15am

December (attend one performance)

We can't wait to work with you and your child this
year!

Please feel free to ask any questions

Thank you for coming

