



Beech Class Newsletter

Summer 1

Our Theme

Our theme for Summer 1 is 'Houses and Homes'

Have a look below at how we will be learning across our curriculum!



Communication and Language

In Communication and Language, we will be exploring play trays connected to our learning theme; The Three Little Pigs story will be a focus over the half term. We will also be extending our experiences through sensory play, using our personalised sensory choice boards to request activities.



Mathematics

In Mathematics we will be exploring themed number songs. Building on our awareness and participation in routines. Using our building skills, using language associated with size. Sorting animals for different homes and objects for different rooms in our homes. Filling and emptying in lots of play activities. We will also be exploring number toys and games.



Understanding The World

In Understanding the World, we will explore the different building materials used by the pigs. We will have the sensory experience of being out and about exploring the natural environment, looking at different building materials and looking in the natural environment for animal homes.

Through sensory play activities we will create houses for different animals, using straw, ice, sticks etc

A role play home corner, will allow us to engage in representational play with household objects; just like mum and dad!

We will also look at the celebration Eid, through sensory play trays and crafts.



Moving And Handling

In Moving and Handling, we will be taking part in lots of physical activity across the timetable including sensory circuits, riding bikes and playing on the playground equipment. We will be exploring movement in our PE lessons.

We will be practicing our dressing skills during P.E. and swimming. Through a variety of activities and crafts we will develop or fine motor skills.



Personal, Social and Emotional

We will be growing our independence in travel around the school, joining in routines and in our environmental visits.

In school, we will be developing our social skills and



Expressive Arts and Design

We will practice our fine motor skills by cutting, printing and painting to make beautiful crafts connected to our topic.

learning to play alongside and with each other, taking turns and sharing activities and spaces.
Exploring and making choices during sensory regulation.

We will be listening to different rhymes, developing our favourite choices. Using instruments, we will explore making sounds.



Things to remember

- ✓ We have PE on a Friday. Please send in PE kits for us to keep in school.
- ✓ We will be exploring outdoors. Please ensure warm coats and appropriate footwear.
- ✓ When the weather improves, sunhats and sun cream.
- ✓ Please remember to check Evidence for Learning on a weekly basis to see your child's learning across the curriculum.
- ✓ Check the blog each Friday, to see all the activities we have participated in throughout the week.
- ✓ Reading packs changed on Thursday.



Key Vocabulary

Pigs
Wolf
Houses
Straw
sticks
bricks
build



How can you help at home?

There are lots of ways to support your child's learning at home. Have a look at the suggestions below for some ideas:

- ✓ Reading with your child using the resources provided in their Reading Pack.
- ✓ Showing your child how to play with different toys, our children learn best through play.
- ✓ Exploring different environments- parks, countryside, town, looking at a talking about what we can see and hear.
- ✓ Explore construction toys for building.
- ✓ Explore in the garden; encourage digging, tidying, exploring.



Home-School Communication

Home-school communication is important to us and helps us to support your child the best that we can.
Here are some different ways to keep in touch...

- ✓ Writing in the home-school diary
- ✓ Emailing me at barrank@astleypark.lancs.sch.uk
- ✓ Commenting on your child's Evidence for Learning posts