

Beech Class Welcome Newsletter

**WELCOME BACK
TO SCHOOL!**

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 Jacobs, Mrs Mitchell.

Uniform:

Children are expected to wear full school uniform – grey trousers/skirt/smart shorts, a white polo shirt, and a royal blue jumper/cardigan. The children should be wearing school shoes (NOT trainers). If they would like to bring in a bag, then this must be a drawstring bag (NOT a rucksack) due to the limited space in school.

On PE days, the children should come in in their kits and wear them all day.

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:

In history we will be learning about Ancient Greece. This will feed into our English lessons 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! We will be writing narratives, newspaper articles and diary entries.

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 Forces – we will be looking at comparisons, finding patterns, researching and answering the big question '*How and why to objects move?*'

Key vocabulary to learn:

Democracy, philosophy, friction, resistance, gravity, levers, pulleys, place value.

Notices:

- Homework expectations – reading (minimum 3 times a week), timestables and spellings.
- PE days – Monday and Tuesday (rugby with Dave on Tuesdays)
- Contact books – in school every day please.

Reminder – don't forget to check Class Dojo and Twitter to see what we have been up to! ☺