

## Beech's Newsletter Spring One

Happy New Year!

Welcome back, we hope you had a fabulous Christmas and a good break.

### LITERACY

This half term in Literacy, pupils are going to be reading the book "The Naughty Bus", which is about a toy bus given to a boy, who makes it get up to mischief. They will be internalising the book by putting actions to it. This will help them to build a bank of vocabulary they can use in their writing. Children will also be writing descriptions of the bus and settings within the story. This will lead up to them writing their own story about a 'Naughty Bus'.

You can help your child with their learning by encouraging them to read every night and listening to them regularly - they also gain Achievement Points for regular reading, and will receive certificates and rewards.

Please practise your child's weekly spelling with them at home - they are linked to the sounds we have been learning in phonics each week.

Key vocabulary:

bus	present	bell
driver	water	rescue
night	bus stop	

### Mathematics

The children will be working on counting, reading and writing numbers to 20 this week and next.

They will then be looking at the following until half term:

- Addition and subtraction to 20.
- Number bonds to 20 and comparing number bonds.
- Place value to 50.
- Counting in multiples of 2, 5 and 10.

You can help your child with their Maths by counting forwards and backwards to 50, writing numbers to 20 in words and practising number formation with them.

Key vocabulary:

add subtract plus minus equals  
the same as

### SCIENCE

Science this half term will link to seasonal changes and winter.

Children will:

- observe and record the seasonal changes we see in winter.
- take a walk around the academy grounds to record the changes they see
- record the weather over the course of a week

Key Vocabulary:

seasons, changes, weather, rain, snow, temperature





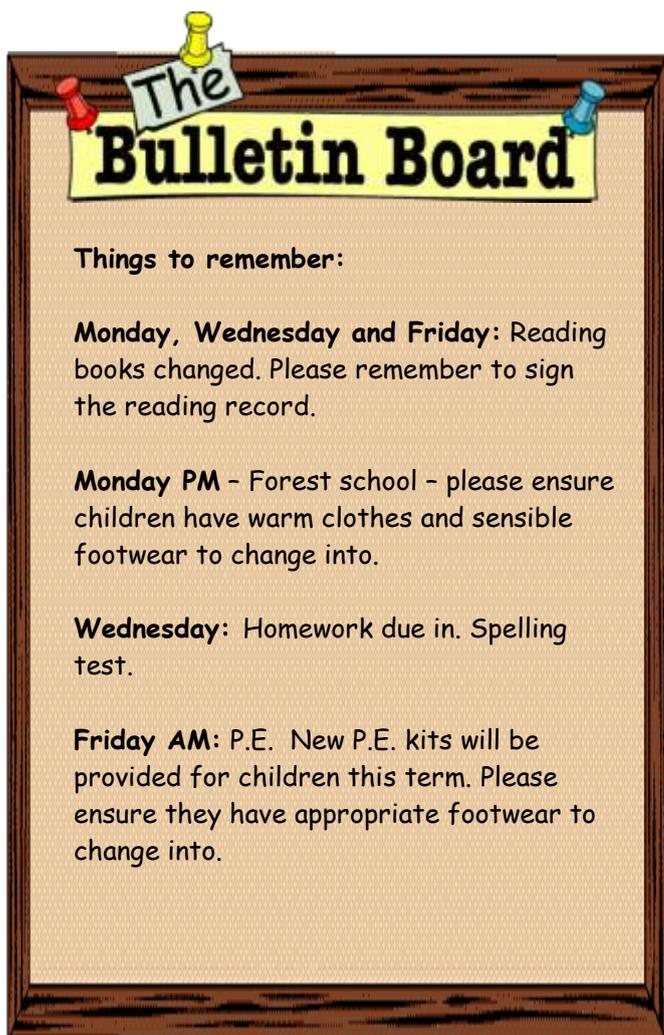
# Other Curriculum Areas

PE - To launch our new PE kits, we will be playing lots of team games.

RE- We will be comparing different religions and special celebratory occasions and discussing the ways in which special events are celebrated in different religions.

Topic - "Street Detectives". During this topic we will be focussing on the geography of our local area (including the layout of our locality, types of houses and comparing our local area to a different part of the U.K.) and the history of Edward Akroydon (including his influence on Boothtown).

Art - We will be looking at the work of L.S. Lowry and having a go at recreating some of his famous works.



## The Bulletin Board

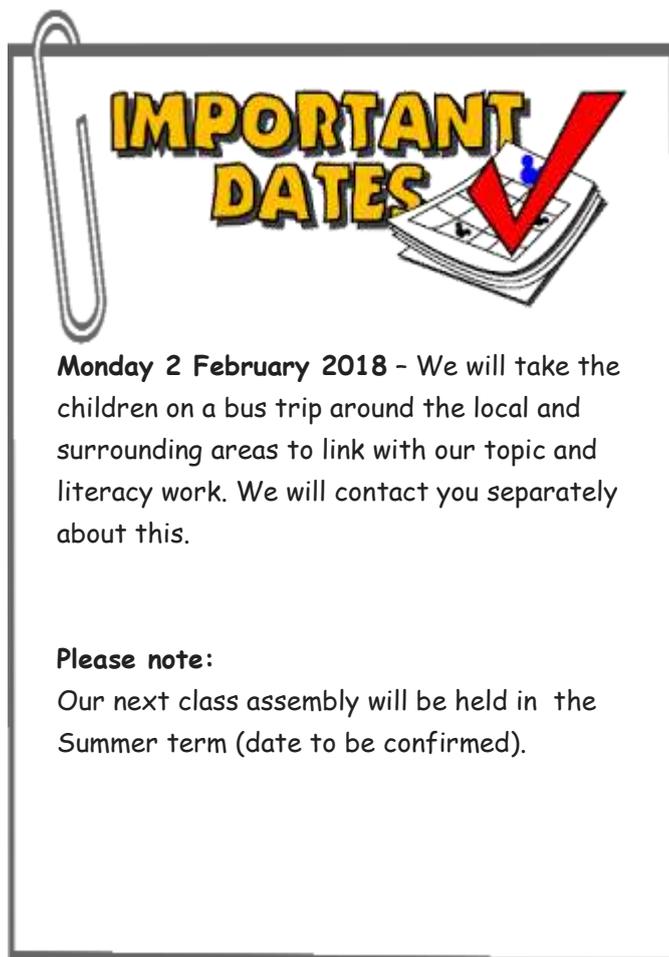
Things to remember:

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday:** Reading books changed. Please remember to sign the reading record.

**Monday PM** - Forest school - please ensure children have warm clothes and sensible footwear to change into.

**Wednesday:** Homework due in. Spelling test.

**Friday AM:** P.E. New P.E. kits will be provided for children this term. Please ensure they have appropriate footwear to change into.



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Monday 2 February 2018** - We will take the children on a bus trip around the local and surrounding areas to link with our topic and literacy work. We will contact you separately about this.

**Please note:**  
Our next class assembly will be held in the Summer term (date to be confirmed).

Maths link: <http://www.mathletics.com>

Literacy: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy>

E-safety: [www.kidsmart.org.uk](http://www.kidsmart.org.uk)

