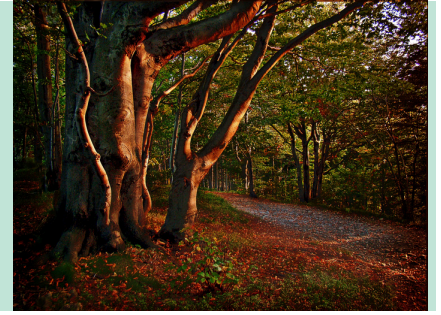


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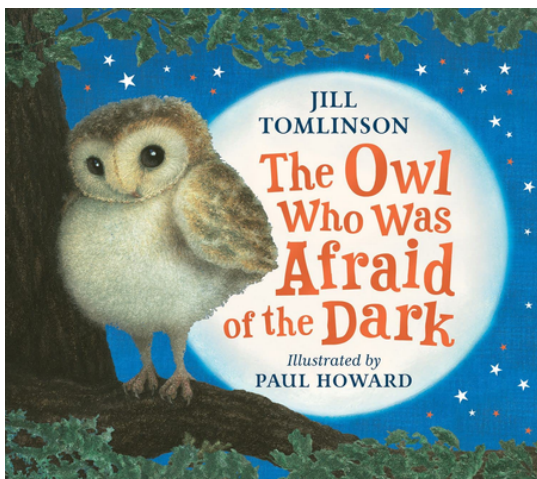


Beech Class will be learning all about China this half term, focusing on the main human and physical features of the country. We will be extending our knowledge of the world, exploring the geographical similarities and differences between China and the United Kingdom. We will build on our mapping skills using atlases, world maps and globes more widely, along with using webcams, online mapping programmes and interpreting a range of information.



## Talk 4 Writing

In English this half term, Beech will focus on *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark* by Jill Tomlinson. After learning our model text, we will all work towards writing our own tale of fear with a focus on character.



## Maths

Beech will continue with calculations, looking at multiplication and division of 2, 5 and 10. Following this, we will explore measurement by learning about length, mass, temperature and money. We will conclude the half term by focusing on pictograms as part of statistics, in addition to calculations and word problems.



## Dates for the Diary.



- 6/1/25 - INSET Day (School closed)
- 7/1/25 - First day of Spring 1
- 23/1/25 - Year 2 Trip to Shah Jahan Mosque
- 31/1/25 - Bounce for Books
- 3/2/24 - Open Classrooms 2.45-3.15pm

Our value this half term is:  
**Perseverance**

### Important Information:

## Letter-join Pupil log-in

#### PC DESKTOP AND LAPTOP LOG-IN

Log in at [www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk) and use the Desktop log-in option with these details:

Username: **dw8128**

Password: **home**

#### IPAD AND TABLET LOG-IN

Go to [www.letterjoin.co.uk](http://www.letterjoin.co.uk) and use the Tablet log-in option with these details:

Username:

Swipe code  
(starting at top left):



Beech are learning to use the **Trickbox** tricks to help with emotional management and personal development.



For more information, go to <https://trickbox.co.uk>

## How to help at home...



### Read with your child (20 minutes daily).

Please make sure that you login and record your child's reading daily using the Boom Reader app or online at <https://www.boomreader.co.uk/>. Individual login details for your child have been provided.

### Encourage your child to practise their weekly spellings (10 minutes daily).

Every Friday, your child will be sent home with their weekly spellings stuck in their spelling book. We will have a test each Friday. Please ensure your child remembers to bring their book back in for Friday each week.

### Encourage your child to practise their times tables and maths (10 minutes daily).

Recall of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables is important. Children have been given access to Times Tables Rock Stars and NumBots to use at home.

**Encourage your child to use LetterJoin as often as possible.** Once logged-in, choose your child's classroom and you can use Letter-join's resources and fun activities to reinforce the handwriting we teach at school. Please see login details above and instructions on our class page on the website.