



What is happening in Beech class in Term 3?



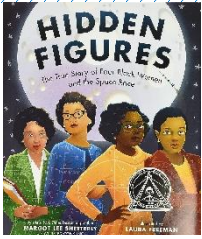
Welcome to the Term 3.

We have a busy term as we welcome in 2025.

English

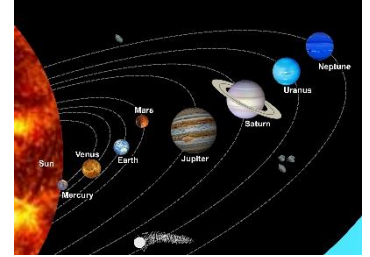
We will be reading 'Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly, this term.

The text has been chosen as it links with our Science topic of Earth and Space. In this beautifully illustrated picture book edition, we will explore the story of four female African American mathematicians at NASA, then known as "colored computers," and how they overcame gender and racial barriers to succeed in a highly challenging STEM-based career.



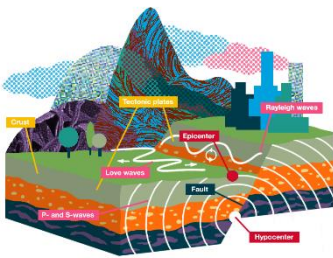
Science

Our Science topic in Term 3 is 'Earth and Space'. During this unit of work, the children will learn that the Earth is part of the solar system and that the Sun is at the centre of that system. They will learn the names of the other planets (based on their distance from the Sun) and be able to describe the movement of Earth (and other planets) in relation to the Sun. They will discover why there is day and night on Earth and relate this to time. The children will also gain an understanding of the phases of the Moon and be able to describe the Moon's movement in relation to the Earth.



Geography

After learning about volcanoes during Term 2 we are going to learn about earthquakes. This term, the children will be learning what earthquakes are and how they occur. They will learn about the structure of the Earth, the tectonic plates and their movements. In order to understand how earthquakes impact people, we will look at the most dangerous factors of earthquakes. In addition to this, we will use latitude and longitude to locate major earthquake zones and continue to improve our atlas skills.



RE

In Term 3 Beech class will be looking at the Understanding Christianity unit - People of God, the Ten Commandments.



Maths

We will spend most of the term finishing our multiplication and division unit before finishing off the term with a return to fractions. We will also be looking at addressing some of the gaps we have in arithmetic.

P. E.

Our P.E. days will be Tuesday and Friday so please make sure that your child is wearing suitable clothing on those days. This term our two sports are dance and gymnastics.



Art

In Art we will be looking at the work of Yaacov Agam and his multimedia approach to his creations.

Important Dates

- Jan 6th Staff development day - no children in school
- Jan 14th Class assembly
- Jan 16th Circus skills day
- Jan 23rd Road safety talk
- Jan 29th Maths Day
- Feb 11th Internet Safety Day
- Feb 14th Last day of term

Any additional dates will be posted on Class Dojo, where you will also find all the photos that I take during the week. If you have misplaced your login details please get in touch and we will get you connected. If you need to get in touch with me you are welcome to message me on Class Dojo, email the school office@lower-halstow.kent.sch.uk or catch me after school.