



Did you need an umbrella on the way to school?



This term Beech class will be exploring the question 'Did you need an umbrella on the way to school?'. Our topic this term is the elements - predominantly, earth, wind, fire and water. This big question will allow us to think about why the weather changes and how we need to adapt to it.

Additionally, throughout this topic we will be exploring 'famous flyers'. These include Amelia Earhart and the Wright Brothers. We will be asking questions about their lives and considering the impact they had on adventures and inventors today.

This half term we are looking at the Bolney characteristics: creative thinkers and achievers. These values are intended to help children develop into kind, caring, considerate, and happy people.

Key Vocabulary:

fire	experiment
wind	data
earth	enquiry
water	country
rain	climate
snow	environment
element	engine
change	aeroplane
pilot	transport
flight	America
inventor	Atlantic
adventurer	Pacific
explorer	temperature



Key texts:

Pablo and Splash
 Once upon a raindrop
 Here we are
 After the storm
 Amelia Earhart – little people big dreams
 ...
 And many more books on elements, weather, adventures and the environment!

Key Questions:

Who was Amelia Earhart?
 What inspired the Wright Brothers?
 Does it rain everywhere at the same time?
 Where did Amelia Earhart go?
 Why did the Wright Brothers choose Kitty Hawk, North Carolina for their flight tests??
 Could it snow in August?
 What happens when water meets fire?

PE

As sportspersons, we will be gymnastics with an under the sea theme!

History

As historians, we will be looking at the lives of famous flyers. The wright brothers and Amelia Earhart. We will be exploring their lives and discovering how we can apply their courageous attitudes to our lives

Maths

Year 1: Place value (within 50), Length and height, Weight and volume

Year 2: Statistics, Properties of shape, Fractions

English

Year 1 Key skills (writing):

- ❖ Oral rehearsal
- ❖ Spelling common exception words
- ❖ Correct sentence structure
- ❖ Conjunctions
- ❖ Non-fiction writing
- ❖ Sentence types
- ❖ Common spelling patterns

Year 2 key skills (writing):


- ❖ Adverbs
- ❖ Spelling common exception words
- ❖ Using suffixes
- ❖ Expanded noun phrases
- ❖ Non-fiction writing
- ❖ Sentence types
- ❖ Common spelling patterns

Art/DT

As designers and creators, we will be making our own hand puppets by joining textiles with glue

RE

In RE we be exploring the question: Why does Easter matter to Christians? (Digging deeper)



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Spring 2

Science

As scientists we will be conducting different experiments as part of British Science Week and looking at types of trees and the parts of plants

Bolney Characteristics

Creative Thinkers/Achievers

Music

Charanga –
Glockenspiels unit 2

PSHE

Jigsaw: Healthy me

BIG QUESTION:

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Computing

As programmers, we are creating artwork with the laptops and I-pads. Additionally, the year 2's are exploring photography