

# Year 1

## Newsletter Spring 2

Welcome to Year 1!

Welcome back Year 1! We hope you had a lovely and safe holiday. As always, our door is always open if you have any concerns and would like to speak to a member of the Beech/Birch team.

### LITERACY

Key vocabulary:

Traditional tales    expanded noun phrases  
characters    adjectives    once upon a time  
happily ever after

This term, we will be reading a range of traditional tales. We will be zooming in on their similar features and exciting use of adjectives. We will create a range of our own traditional tales using our own characters and plots!

We will also be creating a non-chronological report about dinosaurs. We will look at the different features of a report and the use of questioning.



### Mathematics

Place value    50    addition    subtraction  
word problems    length    height    weight  
volume    heavy    lighter    taller    shorter

This term, we will continue to look at addition and subtraction within 20. We will then start numbers to 50 and one more and one less than these numbers, as well as how they are formed. We will also look at height, length, weight and volume. We will begin to compare heights and weights using vocabulary such as shorter, taller, heavier, lighter etc.



### SCIENCE

Key Vocabulary:

This term, we will continue to learn about plants and names of a variety of plants and we will also think about plants we would find in our local area. We will label each part of a plant and discuss the function of each part. Also, we will be learning about animals including humans. We will be able to identify a variety of different types of animals.



plants    trees  
mammals    fish    birds



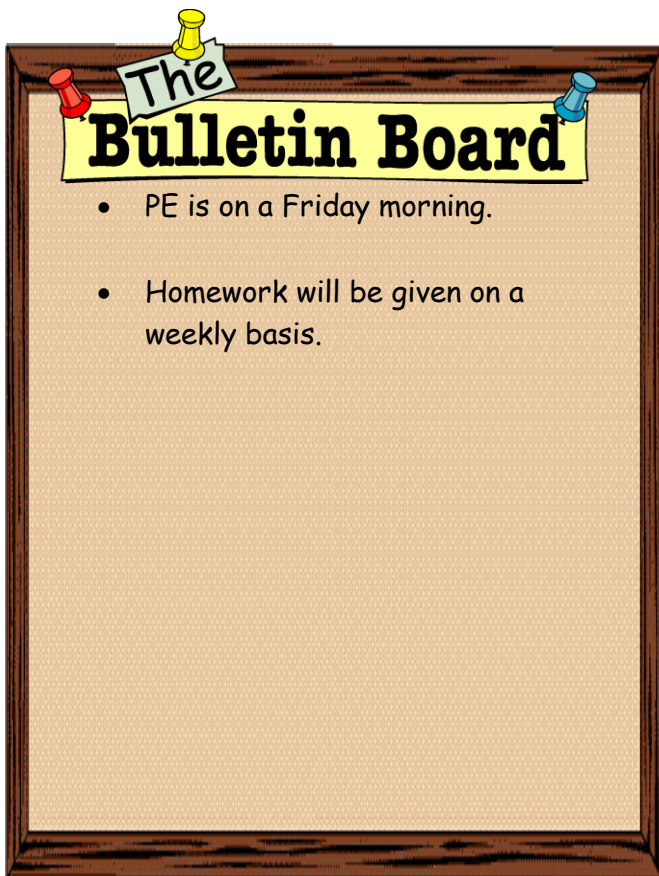
# Other Curriculum Areas

PE - This term we will be practising ball handling skills and working on our throwing and catching.

PSHE - This term we will be thinking about respecting similarities and differences in others and how to respectfully share our views and ideas.


Music - This term, we will be listening to other styles of music and discussing what we like about it.

Computing - This term, we will continue to look at algorithms and how to use directional buttons in computing.



## The Bulletin Board

- PE is on a Friday morning.
- Homework will be given on a weekly basis.



## IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February- Birch Class Assembly

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April- Parents' Evening

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

E-safety link: <http://www.safetynetkids.org.uk/personal-safety/staying-safe-online/>



It's time to find out about

# Dinosaurs!

## Prehistoric Landscapes

We will be looking at prehistoric landscapes and thinking of adjectives to describe them and which creatures might have lived in these settings. We will link this to past learning by discussing how this is different to our local area and why we cannot see any human features in a prehistoric landscape. We will complete an outdoor learning session using the physical resources to create our own setting.



## Mary Anning

We will be learning all about the historical figure, Mary Anning, and why she is so important in the discovery of dinosaurs. We will look at the incredible discoveries she made and how she did this. In class, we will think of questions we would like to ask her and complete a hot seating activity to try and find out more information.



What is a fossil?