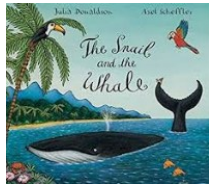


Topic

We will begin the term with our mini topic Take one picture. The children will be investigating the painting Blackberry Gathering by Elizabeth Adela Forbes. They will have the opportunity to recreate the painting and find out about the painting and the artist.



For the rest of the half term our topic will be Journeys. During the topic we will find out about the world's seven continents and five oceans. We will also read a story about a snail who dreams of sailing around the world. We will then learn about the history of The Titanic.



Reading Books and Journals

Children will bring home their reading books and reading journals every night. We encourage parents to listen to their child read every night, ensure that their journals are signed and a comment is recorded. Reading books will be changed every Friday and children will be able to select a book from the school library to share with an adult at home.

Websites

Year 2

Times Table Rock Stars
play.ttrockstars.com/login/27744

School Website <https://www.beechhillwigan.co.uk/>

Don't forget to check the class Dojo Pages



General Information

PE

Tuesday and Wednesday

All children need a PE kit in school which will be sent home every half term to be washed.

Our school PE kit is:

- Black shorts.
- White T shirt.
- Pumps.

Please label all items including pumps.

Important!

Can you please ensure that your child does not wear any Jewellery on their PE days.

Homework

In Y1/2 all children will be given a learning log activity to complete each week. The activity may be English, Maths or Topic based.

Learning Logs need to be back at school by the following Thursday.

Spellings are also sent home each Friday and children will be tested the following week.

Important Dates

Visit to Liverpool Walker Gallery 6th October 2026

Meet the Teachers 9th September 2026

October Black History Month

December Visit to Chester Zoo 16th December 2026

Beech Hill Community Primary School



POCKET PLAN FOR PARENTS

Autumn 2026

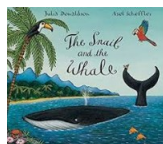
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Topics this term:

Journeys

ENGLISH

During Autumn 1 our text will be The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson. We will describe different settings in the story and write a newspaper report about events from the story.



During Autumn 2 We will be reading How to Find Gold by Vivian Schwarz.



In guided reading we will focus on retrieving information from a text. We will also be working hard to improve our reading skills. Please ensure that you read with your child every night.

MATHS

We will be begin by focusing on Place value.

Year one will be taught to

- count to and across 100, forwards and backwards, beginning with 0 or 1, or from any given number.
- Count, read and write numbers to 100 in numerals; count in multiples of twos, fives and tens
- Learn how to identify one more and one less and be able to identify and represent numbers using objects and pictorial representations including the number line, and use the language of: equal to, more than, less than (fewer), most, least .
- Be able to read and write numbers from 1 to 20 in numerals and words

Year Two will be taught to

- count in steps of 2, 3, and 5 from 0, and in tens from any number, forward and backward
- recognise the place value of each digit in a two-digit number (tens, ones)
- identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations, including the number line
- compare and order numbers from 0 up to 100; use and = signs
- read and write numbers to at least 100 in numerals and in words
- use place value and number facts to solve problems.

Science

Year 1

Seasonal Change

Observe, describe, and compare how the natural world changes throughout the four seasons.

Everyday Materials

Explore the physical world around them by identifying what everyday items are made of and testing their physical properties.

Year 2

Living Things and their Habitats

Explore differences between things that are living, dead, and have never been alive. Understand how habitats and micro-habitats provide for the basic needs of plants and animals. Introduce simple food chains.

Uses of everyday materials

Comparing suitability of materials for practical uses; testing how solids change shape (squashing, bending, twisting, stretching).

Geography

We will be finding out about out about the world's seven continents and five oceans.

History

We will be learning Changes in living memory focusing on the History of The Titanic.

Design and Technology

We will be designing and making our own vehicles using construction kits.

Music

Our topic will be journeys.

We will be appraising different types of music. Composing our own songs and using percussion instruments to play our composition's.

Art

During our Art topic we will be finding out about self-portraits. We will look at the work of Frieda Khalo and create our own self portrait to hang in the class gallery.

RE

In Autumn 1 we will be exploring the Christian use of the term 'father' to address God. We will consider the importance of prayer in Christian life and reflect on the human need for loving relationships, comfort and someone to talk to – both in good times and bad.

In Autumn 2 we will find out **Why is Jesus special to Christians?**

We will explore the Christmas nativity story to gain an understanding of why Jesus is believed to be a special baby. They should begin to We will think about why Christmas is a special religious time for Christians

COMPUTING

Autumn 1 Our topic will be Technology around us. Children will develop you're their understanding of technology and how it can help them. They will become more familiar with the different components of a computer by developing their keyboard and mouse skills, and also start to consider how to use technology responsibly.

PSHE

Year 1

Autumn 1 Making friends: playing and learning together.

Autumn 2 Mental health and wellbeing.

Year 2

Autumn 1 Mental health and wellbeing

Autumn 2 Keeping safe online.