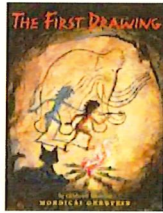


## Stone Age to Iron Age

This half term, Beech Team will be going back in time to the first human civilisations learning all about the Stone, Bronze and Iron Ages. We will be exploring how people lived during these times and how lives changed through the developments in housing, tools and food. The children will interact with artefacts from the time period to help them understand how people lived in the past.

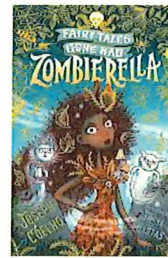
### English

This half term, we are using the story 'The First Drawing' by Mordicai Gerstein to support our narrative writing. This book tells the tale of a young Stone Age boy whose imagination leads him to create the first drawing. The children will use the book as inspiration for creating their own historical stories exploring how they are structured.



### Guided Reading

In Guided Reading, we are exploring the book 'Zombierella: Fairy Tales Gone Bad' by Joseph Coelho and Freya Hartas – a spin on the traditional tale of Cinderella. The children will develop their summarisation and comparison skills while also defining words to support their understanding of the text.



### Maths

In Maths, we will be starting a new topic focusing on addition and subtraction. Beech Team will begin by thinking about how to add and subtract from each place value column, before looking at how to add and subtract three- and four-digit numbers.

### Flourish

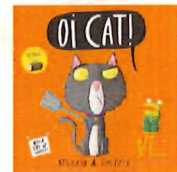
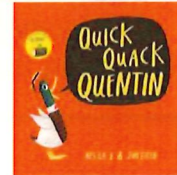
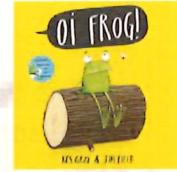
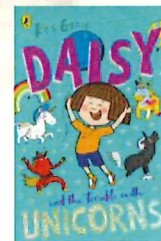
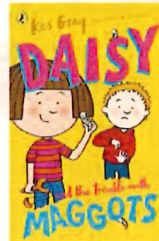
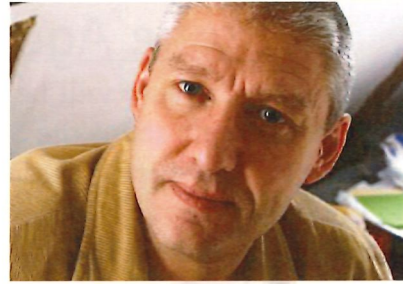
This half term, the children will be becoming historians and creating their own museum to showcase the changes throughout Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age. They will lead tours around their museum sharing their knowledge of the different time periods and how life was impacted focusing on tools, food and housing.

### Author Study

Our author this half term is:

Kes Gray

Known for his comical, quirky books, we will be reading and delving into a range of books by Kes Gray. This includes the 'Oi Frog' series and 'Daisy and the Trouble with...' series. During the first weeks back, we will also complete response tasks to a range of his books.



### Reminders

Monday – Forest Schools

Tuesday – PE

Wednesday – Mindfulness Club

Please ensure coats and wellies are at school every day. Without the correct clothing, your child won't be able to go on the field at playtimes.

### Religious Education

In RE, this term the children will be exploring the big question:



'What kind of world would Jesus want?'

### Home Learning

#### Key Skills

Your child will continue coming home with a list of spellings to practice in their Key Skills Book. The expectation is that throughout the week, they should be completing spelling and reading practice – even if it is only 10 minutes every other night!

#### Home Learning Grid

A reminder that the expectation for Beech children is to complete at least **two** tasks from the home learning grid. Their home learning doesn't have to 'fit' in their response books and if you have any pictures, please feel free to send them in and I would be happy to print them off.

Home learning will be due on:

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**I will be offering two 'home learning clubs' at lunchtime where the children can come and complete their home learning.**

**These will be:**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**