

# Welcome to Swarm Class



Swarm Class - Your teacher is Ms Machray

The teaching assistants that will sometimes be working in your class are Mrs Nicky Vowden, Mrs Jenny Delafield and your HLTA is Mrs Louise Curtis.

For the Autumn Term 1 we have so many exciting topics for the children and staff including:

- Animals and Their Habitats
- Finding out about Megacities around the world
- Having a Virtual visit to the National Marine Aquarium
- Writing a 'Rough Guide to the Ocean'
- Making a pop-up book

For the Autumn Term 2 we have even more exciting topics for the children and staff including:

- The water cycle
- Discovering about the driest and wettest parts of the world
- Story writing about a water droplet
- Sketching and shading water patterns

**RE** We are learning about Hinduism and what Hindus believe in autumn term 1. In term 2 we will investigate what it is like to be a Hindu in the UK.

## **PE**

Physical activity sessions will be held weekly on a Thursday. The children will be working on making the personal best for various challenges including running, and ball skills.

## **Home Learning**

All learning whilst you are at home can be found on the eschools login on the Beechwood website. Please message us and let us know what you have been learning. The link below may also be useful.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/zmyxxyc/year-3-and-p4-lessons>

Please also remember that your child can develop their skills by TTRS at home. Make time to read with them for 30 minutes a day and help them practise their spelling each week. We have found that the sites are fun and an excellent vehicle for learning! Children should also be learning their times tables as all children will need to know each multiplication table (up to 12 x 12). All children in year 4 will be taking a national times table test in the summer term.



### Class Dojo

We love earning Dojo Points in class. We can earn points for demonstrating our whole school learning behaviours: creativity, curiosity, independence, reflection, resilience and

teamwork. Every time we are 'caught' using these learning behaviours we receive a Dojo point from the teachers. We can collect Dojo points to earn rewards. Our Class Dojo is linked to our parents and we can share our learning directly with them

### REN Reading



This year, Swarm Class are focusing on our reading skills. When the children have completed a book, they can log on to their REN learning area using the link below and complete a quiz about it. The children can also log on at home and complete quizzes. They all have their own user name and passwords. They can show you all of the books they have read and all of the quizzes they have passed

<https://ukhosted36.renlearn.co.uk/3313373/>

### Time Tables

We're excited that your child has a Times Tables Rock Stars account! Go to <https://play.ttrockstars.com/login/67543> and enter your child's log in detail

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### Internet Safety

'Parent/Carers - Discovery MAT extends its commitment to E-safety and Online Learning to parents through use of the National Online Safety Platform. If you follow the link below: <http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/beechnwood-primary-school-pl6-6dx> and select parent/carer, you will become part of our parent community on our platform. Once you are a member, you will be able to access a wide range of E-safety CPD and resources designed to further consolidate children's E-safety knowledge. You will also be able to access many 'What Parents Need to Know' guides which provide useful updates about the latest technology.